

was pronounced by Mr Bailey to
be B. cristata. Schw. or mirabilis,
Boott. (of Gr. Man.) I have never
collected that variety to my knowledge,
nor seen it, though often hoping to
do so. If you have a spec^{imen} or
two to spare of it, please add it to
the good things which you have
promised me.

I am glad that you enjoyed your
visit here, & remember it so pleasantly.

The parcel spoken of above will
leave in the same mail with this letter,
& will, I trust, reach you safely.

Please give our kind regards to
Mrs Beane, & tell her that my botan-
ical madness is of old standing and
a life-long love, so that she must
bear with it patiently as Mrs Norweg
does.

Very cordially
Thomas Morong

Ashland, Mass. 18 Sept. 1885

My dear Mr Beane

Yours reached me this evening
as I was preparing a package for
you of some things that I found
among my duplicates after you left
day before yesterday, & for which
you had expressed a desire.

The enclosed labels will tell you
what they are. The Solidago elliptica
is the one I spoke of as given me
by Mr Faxon, and examined & iden-
tified by Dr Gray himself, - no longer
S. elliptica but S. Elliottii.

The Barx praecox you will be
interested to know is from the original
locality where it was first detected
in this country by Mr Oakes. I had
but few spec^{imens}, or I would have sent
you more. I afterwards found it in

great abundance around Purgatory
Swamp. but here, & suppose I had
many specimens from there, but I have
not run across them yet.

The *C. lenticularis* & *C. nunicata* I
thought possibly you lacked, & if so
you would be glad to get them. I ran
upon them in making up my package
to Mr Bailey.

You will find upon the backs of the
labels numbers corresponding to the
numbers on the tags in the parcel.

I am delighted to hear that you
have secured specimens of *Satureia mel-*
etensis for us. I hope you will
be able to obtain ripe fruit? What
a place that "Waste Heap" is !!! We
shall get Bananas & Palms there
yet! and if there were any water
in it, I should expect to find *Victoria*
Regia..

Argemone Mexicana v. *albilifera*
approaches. I think, no nearer than
Louisiana. What ship brought it to
Cambridge?

I hope you will succeed in
finding *Aster Harveyi*, as it has
been for some years practically ex=
terminated in its original locality,
New Bedford. I suppose more than
50 botanists have written to Mr
Harvey for it. but he used it all
up long ago, and, of late, I believe,
has never even answered the commu=
nications respecting it. Please re=
member, if successful, that it is
looking in my own herb.

There is another thing also that I
shall venture to draw on you for.
If I remember rightly you told
me that one of your specimens of
Camp collected in Maine this year,
(New Hampshire?)



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