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Dear Mr. Davenport.

I have your letter and Cleveland's ferns before me. Of course the Cetel. is clelandii or myriophylla which are synonymous. The other is a sterile form of something which you know better than I do. The man who sent these specimens to have named would send a finger nail to an anatomist to get the name of the man or woman who pared it off. The man who would send such ⁱⁿature ~~specimens~~ and fragmentary specimens to have new names, has impudence worthy of the man who having had a pair of boots given him asked the donor to black them for him.

Give him fits -

I fear you think I intended to be
so hard on Williamson - I do not
feel so but would do anything to
help sell the book I could. My
serenity was a private ~~fit~~ ventilation.
By the way, I have just noticed
that in the chap. on "Fertilization of Fems"
~~yes~~ he omits to tell us how fems
are fertilized. not one word about
it is there in the chapter.

He ought to improve the book very much
to make it a first class work. I am
very sorry you are not feeling well, this
heat is enough to go through anyone.

I do not stop to rewrite this
I am quite busy with the Law School
which begins Friday. Very truly
J.R.



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