

Mr Geo. E. Davenport

Dear Sir

I sent you last evening
a specimen of the beautiful fern which
I brought from the Mts. pars. I could
not then find the one I wanted to send
you, but to day my clerk has found it
I send you now a ^{from a clump} frond which I had wet
and pressed. I have examined it as
closely as I know how with my old eyes
and I cannot make it out as anything
but *Ch. lanuginosa*. On removing the
tomentum the margin seems to me to be
recurved. The hairs are jointed or as Eaton
says about *lanuginosa* "articulated". In short
it seems to me a small growth of
C. lanuginosa. There are two points that
seem to favor *N. Pamä*. The black
sperangia and the dense covering above
of entangled hairs.

It is wonderful how well Eaton's descrip-
of *Ch. laevis* in *Ferns of N. A.* agrees with
Dr Parry's of *N. Parryi* in *Am Nat* Vol 9 June
1875.

I would like very much to see an
undoubted frond of *Ch. N. Parryi*

Shall I trouble you to return
this frond as it belongs to a clump
that I have pressed for my herbarium

Yours Res:
J. Mann & Benier

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