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Dear Mr. Collins,

your letter and the packets of *G. rivularis* and *Anacamptodon* have been received. You know perhaps that according to the latest treatment of the genus, *apocarpa* and *rivularis* are separated. and I think correctly. It is very kind of you to send me the *Anacamptodon*. I do not think we had it from Maine, and we are always glad to have a new state represented in the herbarium, and Maine has not been at all thoroughly worked. I think Prof F.L. Harvey of Orono, Maine would be glad of a set of duplicates of any *Me.* mosses that you can spare for him. he has been sending me some for naming.

You ask me about your drawings. I think they are very good, and I certainly should keep them with the specimens as you study them. At Kew they file a separate set of illustrations. At Columbia, we paste on to the sheets in the ~~Herbarium~~ ^{the} herbarium, any illustrations that we get of the different species, then we have them there ready for reference.

I shall be pleased to help you at any time that you are puzzled. I wish you could see my Adirondack collections. I studied them all critically this winter, mounted them up in fine shape, named all the odds and ends, looked up all the doubtful ones, and find that I have 27 rare species, including three that have only been found in the U.S. but once, *Bryum concinnum*, *Hypnum peckii* and *H. jamesii*, ^{also} *Zygodon viridissimus*, *Buxbaumia indusiata*, *Schistostega osmundacea*, of which I enclose a specimen, *Tetraplodon mnioides*, *Anacamptodon splachnoides*, *Homalia jamesii*, etc. sincerely yours,

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