

NEW ENGLAND BOTANICAL CLUB.

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Dear Mr. Collins, Your letter reached me just before I left my office, so I have taken it home to read and to answer.

You are very good to promise your help, especially as you are so busy. I have not heard from Dr. Kennedy yet, as he is away from home. My idea was that you and he could divide the work in some way, so that neither of you would be overburdened.

I think we all realize that too much cannot be expected of anyone. In certain cases we shall be obliged to rely on the help of specialists who are familiar with plants that puzzle us.

I hope you will write to Dr. Kennedy, and plan out the work with him. His address is Dr. G. G. Kennedy Readville, Mass. Could not you keep on with your Maine list, and at the same time investigate what is known of R. I. & Conn. mosses. This would leave N. H. & Mass. for Dr. Kennedy. - Or perhaps it may be better to divide the work by dividing the subject rather than the field of investigation.

I hope you will be able to attend the next meeting of the Club.

Sincerely yours
Edward L. Rand



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