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Carleton, P. Q., July 28, 1904

Dear Miss Day,

I am shipping by express a box of specimens which I hope you will have no trouble in getting. After making up the box and getting our trunks packed we learn that there is no express office here so that express matter is carried by freight to Matapedia and shipped from there. Consequently I am unable to get an invoice to go with the box, which would avoid customs complications. It is now possible that you (or the Gray Herbarium) will have a notice from the customs office to inspect the box. If so I imagine there will be nothing to do but to fill out a blank stating that the specimens are University Property and for scientific purposes.

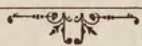
When the box reaches you I shall be glad if you will have it opened and put the packages in the attic. The plants have gathered moisture since they were pressed and need the dry hot air. Please loosen the strings on the the packages tied with tape so that the specimens which are crowded on the sheets may have good air, and not dry bent.

We have found two such perfect places for our work that we are altering our schedule very much. However, we are able to get our mail approximately as planned. At Ste Cécile du Bic on the St. Lawrence near Rimouski is one of the most picturesque spots in America with the most

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wonderful botanizing imaginable. There are fifty or more cliff-capes or islands with north-facing cliffs from 100-900 ft. high. Cullins & I lingered long enough to explore 6 of them and on each found a different colony of Arctic things. Stauville or St. Jean l'Évangéliste we got through with in short order & came here for a day which has extended to a full week. Peace joined us Saturday - Here are long gravel beaches, & bars, Tracadieash Mt. 1930 ft., rising from the Baie des Chaleurs & with various strange things on the cliffs, water-falls 300 ft. perpendicular, & all sorts of rich spots. Furthermore we are in such a home-like place with Mr. Cullen's vacant store for our work, warm sea-bathing, and the best fare in Gaspé, that we have been reluctant to leave. We are off this morning, though, for New Richmond and the Rivières Grande & Petite Cascapédia, which rise in the Shickshocks, one in the Logan - Bayfield region, the other on Mt S. Albert and Table Top. We shall cut New Cascade and Port Daniel which Williams & I have worked somewhat and move rapidly to the less known country eastward. We shall call for mail at N.E. to P.D.

I hope everything goes well and happily with you and all at the Herbarium.

Sincerely yours,
Merritt L. Fernald.



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