

I Kalmuck April 8 1874

Mr J E Davenport

Dear Sir

You are very kind & liberal to thus remember me in your success. I am very glad to get your drawings which are remarkably good.

I have done the best I could in sending you a few bars & ferns viz

No 1 *Blechnum serrulatum* -

Coll by A L Babcock in S America <sup>1873</sup>

No 2 two pinules of *Acrostichum aurium*. No 3 (Not S American)

*Polypodium lineatum*. I send this to show the beautiful vening -

804 *Nephrolepis exaltata*  
all these from the same source  
I had promised a pinule of  
*Acrostichum aureum* to Mr  
Hitchings, and you may  
take your choice and give  
the other to him. possibly  
I have sent him one if so you  
keep both. I cannot take  
any more from my already  
skilitor of a friend. Your  
*I radicans* is the best picture  
of any of the American var  
that I have ever seen.  
and I thank you a thousand  
times for it. I shall very soon  
get out a new photograph, as  
I have already orders ahead.  
I saw an Engraver the day  
I saw you, about engraving  
a large picture of ferns  
with some 75 vars. it  
would not cost much more

to have them engraved for  
a book. Can't we fern lovers  
form a club and publish  
a fern book? I presume Prof  
Eaton would either assist us  
or join the club -

I hope to see you soon  
and talk over matters

I Enclose a letter from  
the widow of the fern  
collector in Florida.  
What has I better do with  
her about collecting?

In haste

Sincerely yours  
J. M. Edwards



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