

Louisville,

Aug 1899

My Dear friend,

Fern Etchings will be in the bindery to-morrow, I will send you a copy just as soon as it is out. You know I cannot afford to give this book to the reviewers. I may send a copy to the ~~National~~ ^{American} to Prof. Gray. If not too much trouble will you be kind enough to show the book to your Clerks and some of the Salem Gentlemen. I have only printed a few, but if I can get ^{enough} subscribers I can very easily get out another Ed.. I may tell you, it will make a handsome looking book, of course all the

Slater will not please you

I must say your friend Mr Higginson,
of Needham, is an enthusiastic
admirer of the Etetings.

He seems to be a man of an
~~extreme~~ ~~sensitive~~ nature. he
sent me a long and interesting letter
a few days ago,

he also sent me a beautiful
gift. a very rare and valuable
work, Hamerton Eteting and Etetings,
first Ed. To me this work will
be of great value.

I will return your little plants
inside the book.

Your sincere friend
John Williams

You may get Mr Roberts
to send your friends to
Review my book.



Williamson, John. 1879. "Williamson, John Aug 1879." *George Edward Davenport correspondence*

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