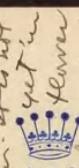


root at the nodes - a point which I may have overlooked - or which may not prevail.

all the British books which I have consulted include *Liatrea acuminata* - a form which I have never satisfactorily differentiated - I wonder if you know it. It so approaches & resembles *L. dilatata* that in the herbarium specimens I have seen with the two labels, I fail to see the distinctions. There are many things reported here which seem to be rare w/ the British Student.

Historically - this region has a striking and interesting back ground - indeed we are impressed with this in all Ireland as we see it - The museum in this city is very rich in illustrations of the early status of the people during the Stone and the Bronze "ages" - and later - and its castles - some of which are kept in repair - date from the 10th century (and earlier) to the 15th-16th later - We were at Howth Castle yesterday - an interesting example of 13th Century work - and still the home of the family then occupying it. All goes well - we are to return to England Sept. 1st Mrs. Ward joins us in cordial messages to Mr. Deane and yourself - Sincerely yours Best regards

" to derive as
" living in West Donegal
" worried me not
" news if I am not
misled. If so not
" true & dear friend
" I have heard in
" full flower this
" purple & a pine
" shrub hairy



Sunday afternoon
July 27, 1913

SHELBOURNE HOTEL,
DUBLIN.

My wife and I have established ourselves for the afternoon on the moors on Howth - or Hill of Howth a promontory connected with the mainland by a narrow isthmus. All about us are the gorse - and the purple heather - of which I enclose bits - From our elevation we overlook the water of Dublin bay and Irish channel, although our views are of limited range because of the haze which prevails -

Over this headland, its moors and summits - I have spent parts of three day - easily accessible as it is from the city - one is quickly by steam train, trolley and his own feet - isolated and remote - Now we are basking in the warm

Sunshine while refreshed with
the breezes from the sea - And this
"warm sunshine" has a different
meaning from with us - from that
which it may convey to you -
For much or experience in the
weather here has meant cold - and
dull - and damp days - Always
my overcoat is at hand and it is
much worn -

Over there more sheep and
horses and goats are grazing -
a few birds are flitting merrily
about and we hear the distant
lowing of cattle and the still more
distant sound of the fog signal across
the water -

One of my days here about I
spent much of the time about
the cliffs by the shore - which are
high and steep. I had hoped to
see *Astleum marinum* - and
sure enough I found it. It delights
to establish and maintain itself in
sheltered rock caves close by the water

where it may be touched with
salt spray - and out of the reach of
the human seeker.

Although but an area of but
some fifteen square miles - there occur
on the promontory more than half -
if I am not mistaken in my remembrance
of the statements of a local flora I
have seen - as many species as
are finished by the whole of Ireland.
There is considerable variety in condi-
tions - sea - rock - sand - salt &
fresh water marsh - uplands &
lowlands - with the greatest elevation
560 ft. From here are reported
Hypoxylon decaisnei - but the represen-
tatives of the Pteridophytes are not very
numerous. I was interested to find
what I take to be *Ranunculus Flavis-*
ula - which I never have seen
growing - It appears to be so different
in habit from our variety - at home -
being more erect - much larger - reaching
a height of a foot to a foot & a half.
and I have seen no disposition to



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