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PROPRIETOR.

THE
EL DORADO,



ON THE NIAGARA RIVER.

Youngstown, N. Y., *May 9* 1895

Dear Deane:

Your various
notes have been received,
but I have been on the
wing so much that I
have had no time to
reply. I am sorry that
Dr. Robinson and yourself
are disappointed with
my attitude on the
nomenclature question. I
believe in the rules that
Dr. R. has, and I dislike
the methods of the
Britton School, as I
have told you. But one

of the chief criticisms
which is made against
the new rules is that they
were made by a few per-
sons who do not and
cannot represent the entire
body of American bot-
anists. The opponents of
those rules declare, justly,
that the matter should
have been more de-
liberately considered in
more representative
bodies. How can we,
therefore, justify ourselves
if we sign rules which
are made without even
an attempt at repre-
sentation or discussion in
open assembly? I am per-
fectly willing to say



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Not the rules or, rather,
the principles, embodied in
Dr Robinson's Rules embody
my sentiments, but I
can't become one, of any
number, to subscribe to
a code until it has been
brought publicly and ac-
tively before the botanists
of America or the world.
I shall write Dr Robinson
to-night saying that he can
use my name as a sym-
pathizer with his move-
ment.

I am glad that you

are improving of your
Colt. Mrs. B. is now en-
tirely well again, and I
have no time to be other-
wise. You must have
had a delightful time in
Washington.

I suppose that I shall
not dare to visit you
again, since that note
in Gazette about your
herbarium, and its re-
publication in Science!
I can't touch you with a
ten-foot pole any more!
But it is all deserved, my
dear fellow, and I am
glad that your painstaking
work is receiving pub-
lic recognition. Your
Gazette notes are good.



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You say that you sent
me a spike of C. Digitalis.
I never received it, nor
any note about it.

Beautiful, balmy
place here on the Niagara,
where the great river joins
Lake Ontario. From my
window I see miles over
the green shimmering
waters with its drowsy
fleets of fishing smacks.

Yours ever
L. H. Bailey



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