

Springfield Mar. 1. 1887.  
My dear Mr. Deane,

Our Society will be very much obliged if you will have the N. A. Flora sent to us from the Garden - the two volumes in one that you mention. If it comes by mail, we will refund the postage when we pay for the book - if by express we will send at this end of the note. You may well wonder how I got hold of anything in the botanical line that would be new to you, in constant intercourse with the savants of the Garden - I shall have to confess that it was from no study of my own. It came to light in a correspondence with Dr. Swan of Boston - you will remember that he named some Nantucket grasses, &c. for me; since then we have exchanged, & he has been in Nantucket too, & given me a few new things for the Catalogue. He told me that B. panic was rare, & that what was commonly called so was B. tectum & he had Dr. Vasey's authority for the statement. I suppose the Manual is wrong in the name, though the description fits the plant which is now quite common. I never saw B. tectum growing - I hope to collect it in Nantucket next summer. Can you give me particular directions? You found it near the mill the first.

Are you not mistaken in calling my Anacharis flowers staminate? I was mourning because I had not detected any of that kind. But these little stars are lovely in the water - I hope you will see them yourself next year in Fresh Pond or better still in some Nantucket sheet of water. I hope to have news for Mr. Murray soon. From Nantucket ladies wait close

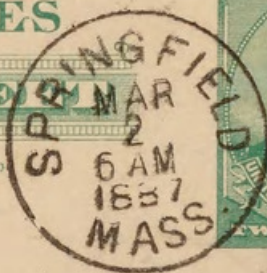
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Get me acquainted from this time forward & will  
no longer allow on such like this - I thought  
I was only going to tell you about the work that  
we want, and before I knew it I was cramping  
the space. From my office to Olean.



Owen, Maria L. 1887. "Owen, Maria Louisa Mar. 1, 1887." *Maria L. Owen letters to Walter Deane*

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