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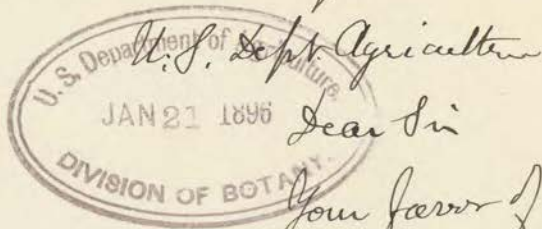
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Faxon, Edwin

317 Lamartine St.

Jamaica Plain, Mass. Jan. 10. '96

H. V. Coville Esq.



Dear Sir

Your favor of 15<sup>th</sup> inst  
in regard to *Sphagnum* of Alaska  
was duly received, I immediately  
consulted with Mr. Geo. F. Eaton  
(son of Prof. Eaton) who has charge  
of our *Sphagnum* distribution.

He informs me that our sets  
are nearly ready to be sent  
out, and that it is now too  
late to include the specimens  
from Alaska, which you have

so kindly obtained for us. We regret very much to be compelled to decline them, for no doubt there are many very interesting species and perhaps some new ones among them.

We hope that you will submit them to some expert like Warnstorf or Rusow for determination.

I do not feel competent to undertake it.

Very truly yours  
Edwin Fayson