

Gray

BOTANIC GARDEN,

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

August 17.

My dear Dr. Dawson.

When your letter
of the 15th came I
was thinking of
writing to you soon,
to announce our
going to you.

Mrs. Gray finds her
hands too full to
leave home this
week, and I have
Dr. Engelmann here

too, on one of his
rare visits.

So our plan is to
reach you on Tuesday,
by the train which
for the programme should
arrive at Montreal
at 7:20 P. M.

As to my so-called
"paper", it is in-
cluded not even for
the Zoological section,
but for the Botanical
subsection, which the
botanists are determined

to know, for their
own delectation. -
And it relates mainly
to some matters which
I wish to impress upon
them in reference to
my work on the
Flora of N. America.

So you need not
concern on it as having
any general interest,

I am so dressed
into tedious work
that I have neither
time nor brain to
put into a paper of

any wider interest.

We have had warm weather, and look for something cooler at Montreal

Thanks for the invitation for Thursday evening, which we accept with pleasure, and remain

Sincerely yours,

Aratray