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Prof Dawson

Dear Sir

Your quercus is *Q. Mest-*
ensianus; the one with narrower
leaves, 6000' alt. has the inner
sepals shorter and more obtuse,
the other, with wide leaves has
the sepals all nearly equal, acute;
both have 6 stamens.

Do you know any thing
about *Quercus ambigua*?

Did you ever meet
with *Abies Fraseri*?

How far westward could you
have *Abies alba*, and
did you meet in the Rocky Mts
with *Abies Douglasii*, common
further south — in Colorado the
common timber tree just below

the Timber-line.

Abies balsamea seems to hold
a similar relation to
A. grandis - Do they meet
in northern latitudes? And
where is the western limit of
the former and the eastern of
the latter. *A. grandis* extends
also to the Mountains of Colorado
and nearly up to the timber line.

Very truly yours

J. Payson

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