J. A. Allen Collection

St. Johnsbury Vt.
July 12.th / 83.
(Box 28)

Mr. J. A. Allen.
Dear Sir:-

I have on hand some seventy-five or a hundred rare So. African bird skins of which I am trying to dispose. I met Dr. J. B. Holder of the Am. Nat. His. Museum, in Newyork city this Spring & he thought that very possibly you might like the skins for Agassiz Museum.

The skins are mostly small ones and were collected by a brother of mine in Natal So. Africa. I have rec'd the skins within a few months and they are in good condition and very good skins.

I am now in Amherst Col. & it will be quite a help to me if I can dispose of the skins for what they are worth.

I am well acquainted with the birds and their habits as I lived in Natal till I was 13 yrs old and made quite a collection of birds at that time. I shall probably be in Boston sometime during the last of August & show you the skins then if you have any thought of buying.

Very truly yours

Burt N. Bridgman.