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Prof. D. H. Penruel,  
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Dear Professsor Penruel,

I wish to thank you for your letter of Aug. 2. in regard to candidate for the instructorship in Botany in New Hampshire College. Owing to the fact that Mr. Rose has the offer of a much more lucrative position we are again considering Miss Hayden for the position. We are entirely satisfied in regard to her botanical ability but note that you say nothing in regard to her personality. In a small institution and in one where but few women have been members of the faculty this is a very important point. Lack of neatness & too great freedom in talking, or other characteristics of a similar nature might be greatly against her success. I should be very glad to hear from you in regard to Miss Hayden's general personality.

Thanking you for the favor  
Yours truly  
Charles Brooks