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Dr. L. H. Pammel,
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Dear Dr. Pammel;—I received last week a copy of your paper on Bog Plants which I was pleased to have. Wish the drawings were more worthy of it. Dr. Moore came walking in the other day looking pleased, with a copy of the Iowa Geol. Report and asked me to write a review of the paper for the Bot. Centralblatt. That was the first I had seen of it.

Dr. Pammel, you once said you would write me a letter of recommendation if I wanted it. Do you still think so? I have begun to look up a position for next year. Wrote to Mr. Scroggie's agency in Des Moines of course I don't know what is available yet. Would like to have something special in botany if possible.

While I feel that my knowledge is pretty limited, I've learned a remarkably much this year and I shall always remember your kind

ness in making it possible for me to come,
here. I like the place so much that
I really don't want to leave it.

Dr. Moore is just as firm as
you were in your emphasis on
scientific literature and has made
it possible for me to become
pretty well acquainted with the
literature in his line of work.

I didn't want to ask anyone here
for a recommendation until I
had received my degree. Dr. M.
however, volunteered to give me
one.

It would take 2 years more to get
a Ph.D. so far as time is concerned
I believe according to the new rules
and while I believe I now have
a foundation and want to con-
tinue getting a broader knowledge
of the subject. I feel as tho' its time
I were doing something more
practical for a time. Its simply
this — my mother has sacrificed
quite a bit for me in one way &
another and I feel as tho' I should
put myself in position to do
something more substantial for
her than I have. — That's all. This
isn't very business-like I'm afraid.
Most sincerely, Oba Hayden, 4211 Sheppard Ave