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Dr. L. H. Pammel,
Iowa State College,
Ames, Iowa.

My dear Prof. Pammel:

I wish to thank you for your favor of recent date, and will try to see if I can find someone who can furnish the specimens of cotton and okra you wish. It is going to be rather difficult in this section this year, owing to the fact that both of these crops are practically a failure in this county, as we have not had a good soaking rain since April. Gardens are burned up, the fruit crop is greatly injured, great trees of the forest are dying on account of the extended drouth, and our only hope now is to get a rain that will produce a late crop. I have not seen a mess of okra this year, and people are beginning to pick what little bit of cotton they have made. I will take up the matter, and if possible get specimens for you.

I wish to thank you for including my name in the list of botanists. It was very kind and generous of you. I shall try to sustain this reputation.

I wish to say that it keeps me rather busy now furnishing color washes for the various buildings and outside orders. These are made from the clays mentioned in the *Alumnus* recently.

I was wondering if a lump sum for the cotton and okra specimens would not be better than to pay by the hour, as I shall have to secure some boy or girl from the outside whose parents have cotton, and I think it would be more attractive if he could be paid in a lump sum. I think I can arrange this so that it will be satisfactory.

With sincerely good wishes, and trusting that you and the family are well,
I am,

Yours very truly,

Ans - 8/19/14
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