January, twenty, third,

Mr. Eliot Spalding, Shawmut Bank Buidling, Boston, Massachusetts.

Bear Mr. Spalding:-

Since receiving your letter of the 23d inst., in which you suggest that I write to Judge Wickes about the matter you took up with Assemblyman Fred L. Porter-concerning the raising of the dam at the outlet of Eagle Lake-I had occassion to write thr Conservation Department at Albany about our requisition for fish to be planted in the lake and at the same time inclosed a letter to Mr. S.M.Cowden, Sup't. of Fish Culture, a copy of which with his reply is inclosed herein.

I am writing to Judge Wickes today to ascertain his attitude on the proposition of building a dam and raising the water-level of Eagle Lake. When I receive his answer I will send you a copy. Them, if the reply is favorable, you and he can talk it over the next time you are near Ticonderoga and proceed with such action as the two of you may deter-

mine to take.

I feel confident that if a suitable water-level can be arrived at which will not materially interfere with the riparian structures of the property-owners, they will agree to

raising the height of the dam.

I trust my letter to Mr. Wickes will open the way for a conference between the two of you in the matter of the Eagle Lake dam. I sent Mr. Wickes copies of your letter to Mr. Porter and his reply to you but I did not send him copies of the letter to and from Mr. Cowden, as you can show him the copies I am sending you.

It will be important to know, if the dam is built, under whose jurisdiction it will be, who will have to maintain it, and that the water-level will not be raised or low-

ered beyond the agreed level.

I trust you have gotten over your colds and that evrything is well with you.

Mrs. Luthy joins me in sending you and Mrs. Spalding ur best regards.

Sincerely yours,