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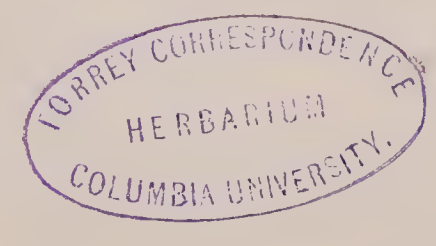
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Place Edinburgh Nov^r 9th 1820



I will send ours to you if you wish it.

return you my sincere thanks for the packet of Plants which I received perfectly safe a few days ago - being willingly do I enter upon a correspondence with you & shall do all in my power to make my communications as desirable to you as yours will be to me - You must know however that I have not yet taken my Doctors degree - having been interrupted in my studies less than 3 seasons by domestic occurrences - so that altho I began the study of Medicine about 5 years ago - I must pass 2 more years in this University before I can pass my examinations - I introduce all this Preamble, as my excuse, in case my leisure during the abovesmentioned period, may sometimes not second my wishes -

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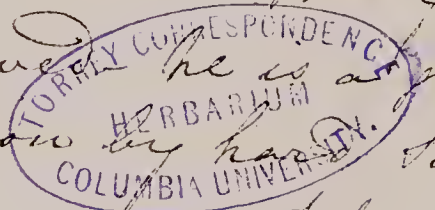
in the Cryptogamous Tribes. - These being so little known are doubly interesting. - I thank you for several Rarities in your Parcel. *Schizaea pusilla* is a charming little Plant and is beyond dispute one of the rarest Ferns known. Is not your *Lamichellia intermedia** the *L. dentata* of Willd.? whose charact. is, Anthera bicoculari, stigmatibus dentatis seminibus asperis - your Plant of *Samolus Calerandi* does not differ from ours, except in the flowers being smaller. As far as I can judge without having a specimen of the Siberian *Arenaria lateriflora*, your plant appears to be the same, they both answer to the charact. Pers. in Synops.

- Is Boston's Pl. of North Amer. which is just by ~~us~~ ^{us} in ^{it} an expensive work - are there any Plates? - When is Mr. Schweinitz's work on the Crypt. of the U. States likely to appear? - If you are in Correspondence with him, any specimens from him w^d be particularly valuable. - The principal Botanical literary news of the Day is as follows - Dawson Turner has finished his splendid work on the Fuci - & declines giving any arrangement of them into new Genera - a task that has been since ably performed by Lyngbye a Swede. - Dr. Will: Jackson Hooker has finished his work on New Musci. - 2 vols: 4to. vel 8vo. - a beautiful work standing at the head of its class. - The same author published a *Muscologia Britannica* 2 years ago. which deserves the highest praise. (a plate of every species). - He is also carrying on that great work which Curtis began. The Pl. Londinensis. fol: I has published ^{near} 20. no: - He is now engaged in a Pl. Scotica to be in 8vo. one vol: & out in April next. - Lindley a young Botanist of London has just published an excellent Monograph on *Rosarium*. with 19 Plates (colored). - Sturm has just finished, & published an Index to his Pl. Deutschland. (67 no:) 16 plates colored in each; duodecim.

an excellent work but unluckily written in German so that the Plates
only are useful to me - a very good work has also appeared in
Germany within a few Months - viz. a System of Insects - large as well
as microscopic by Nees von Esenbeck. with 44 beautifully colored Plates
full of figures - this work is also written in German. - The celebrated
Brown has not yet given us his 2^d vol. of the "Prodromus Fl. Nov:
Hollandiae". & perhaps never will. - much to my annoyance as I
have 500 New Holland Plants without a name to any.

I must now communicate some melancholly intelligence
Poor Stewart who has been very unwell for some Months grew
much worse a few days ago, and on Friday breathed his last.
The day before your parcel arrived he is a great loss to us - &
entirely hastened his dissolution by hard study. The Parcel you
sent to him also came to me as a present from his
Father - you will therefore recollect. I note that I
have in my Possession both the species contained
in both the Parcels you sent. - I arranged Stewart's
Botanical Collection for sale at the request of his Friends & shall
purchase the best of his things. - In the parcel I send I shall
will find some things worthy of your acceptance - you will find about
100 species of British Musci - & if you wish for a greater supply of par-
ticular species name them & I will do my best. My stock in many is
low which must account for some indifferent specimens. - by another
season I shall have more - & be able to send you other species.

The Plants I am most desirous of obtaining are all Cryptogamous
Plants except Insects which do not carry in general - but some do bear it - as
Sphaeria, Uredos, Puccinias &c, particularly I wish for Ferns, Lichens, Musci,
& Marine alga particularly Fuci & Ulva. Conifers both sea, land, & fresh water
if named will be very welcome - it is impossible to examine them after
being dried therefore if not named when fresh, they seldom can be. I
have a friend here who will co-operate with me in collecting for you,
& who is studying Ferns & Musci - if when it is convenient for you therefore
to send ^{any} duplicates of those Lichens they will be thankfully received by
him. - I do not consider myself a Minimalist. I cannot at present name any one



who might exchange with you - but shall be on the look out. - The siliceous
fluates of Magnesia however I would receive with pleasure. - I forgot to mention
that altho' I prefer Cryptogramma - I am very partial to all the Gramineae
Cyperaceae &c. many of your Carices were acquisitions to me. it is a
genus I am very fond of. - No Orchideous Plants can come amiss. A
mericana populus some very fine ones. - It is very uncertain when this
Packet will go - but I shall send it by the first opportunity. -

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

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Dr Torrey -
New York



P. K. Greville
Nov 9th, 1820
Feb 9 May 28th, 1821

Remember me very kindly to De Kay who I believe has an unaccountable
stiffness in his fingers - which probably saves him much ink & Paper -
I thank him for his Postscript however & for the introduction which he
very wittily says began at the end. he says he will write me a whole letter
soon - do not let him accuse me of a Bull if I say his whole is likely to
be but a part. I remain Dr. Sir

D. Torrey
Yr very truly P. K. Greville

TORREY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Edinburgh March 10th 1821.



Dear Sir

I am afraid you will have imagined, by this time that I have been wanting in the attention your kind communication deserved. This however has not been the case. I answered your letter on the 10th of Nov^r 1820 & enclosed it in a parcel of plants which a friend promised to convey for me to New York. Through his forgetfulness - to my surprise I heard the other day that it has not yet been sent. - however it shall not longer remain thus stationary - you will find in it about 100 species of British Musci - some not good specimens but my stock was then very low & rather than not send some species, I sent the fragments I had left. - but if you will, after receiving them - name those of which I have sent indifferent specimens - or such as of which you wish for a farther supply - I may probably have many of them in the course of a few months. - Besides the Musci - you will receive some Phanogamous plants. & a few Ferns.

In my last letter I mentioned the chief botanical news of the day & nothing of much consequence has since occurred. D. Hooker, I think I noticed, is writing a Flora Scotica which will appear next month. at the end will be a recapitulation of Genera &

Species according to the natural arrangement - something I suppose
in the manner of De Candolle - clavis analytica in the R. Francaise.

In Mineralogy I have not heard of anything - Brewster's dis-
coveries you will doubtless have seen or heard of, respecting
the connection between the primitive forms of crystals & the
number of their axes of double refraction - He now in describing
a mineral gives the optical as well as its other characters.

tryed by this test Hainy's arrangement is in many respects
false & the one lately proposed by Professor Mohs most
correct - but it is singular to see how correct both have
been in most cases. considering the optical structure was not
attended to. - In the 3^d vol. of the Wernerian Soc: Memoirs (to
which I have just completed the Index) you will find 2 papers
on this subject by Brewster. - With regard to Zoology - This
week has appeared in Edinb. the ^{first} fasc: of the most splendid
work on ^{the} birds of this country ever published in Great Britain - it
is by a gentleman of fortune (W. Selby of Swivel house Northumberland)
he makes the drawings & engravings himself which he gives gratis
to the work. - Elephant folio - 12 pls: in each fasc: 1 - 11 - 6 plain &
£5 - 5 - 0 colored. - 2 fasc: appear annually. tell DeKey it is dog cheap &
he sh^d order a copy for the Lyceum - The following is not yet public
at least generally. - Prof. Jameson & Dr. Brewster do not agree - & there
is little chance of the Phil: Journal. being continued under their joint
names. Brewster will take it to himself. & Jameson I suspect is
thinking of a Journal of Nat: hist: to be published quarterly. - it will
succeed if he does it properly. - at the beginning of next year one or two
other gentlemen & myself think of editing a periodical work on Nat:
hist: - not a journal, but only plates & descriptions of new or rare
objects - but this we have consulted the Engraver &c. it is not

finally settled. The drawings will cost us nothing as two of us
have been long used to it. - I have been paying some attention
to the confusae this spring & am much confounded with them. - the
latest authors Agarth & Lynbye - not having done much towards
clearing away the confusion. - The latter is however a very good
Book. - Last week in gathering some Confusae I fell in with
Fucus pusillus - a rare plant which has been only found by
two individuals in England - but now to Scotland. you shall
have specimens in my next parcel. TERRY CORRESPONDENCE
HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY In sending *Fuci* from
one country to another - it is not necessary to prepare & expand
them - if merely dried without washing but the sea salt, just
as picked up on the shore, & packed in paper without having
been submitted to pressure, they will resume their form completely
on immersion in water. - I have no doubt you

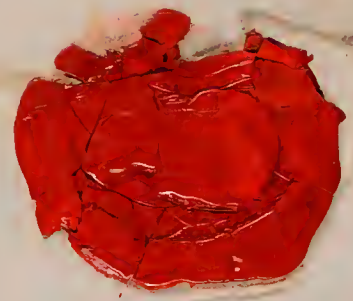
have heard long before this of the death of poor
Stewart. ^{he} died in October last. He
was a very able man & promised much.
his herbarium was sold - but was in
a most wretched state - as he never had leisure
to attend to it - I got a few things but not
much worth keeping. - many of his botanical works I bought.
he had not quite finished ^{the revision of} the article *Musci* in Brewster's ~~and~~ Encyclopedia
the connecting of which fell to my lot. - The lectures of Dr Brown
which he edited - appeared about 3 days previous to his death - his
disorder seemed very extensive - general oedema came on at last -
his body was not opened. - Tell De Kay that I am one of the
Presidents of the A. P. Society. & that I am tired of waging war with
2 or 3 turbulent spirits among us. - I have just made an ar-
rangement with Stewart's father that I am to receive all foreign
parcels addressed to him containing plants. I have sent a com-
mission to New South Wales offering to pay any one to collect Mosses
Lichens - Ferns & Marine plants. - In expectation of hearing
from you in due time I remain Dr Sir yours truly
D. Forey HERBARIUM
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY R. K. Revell

- P. S. Direct to me - College Edinburgh - as a more certain address -

P. K. Greville

March 10th 1821.

Post Paid 28th



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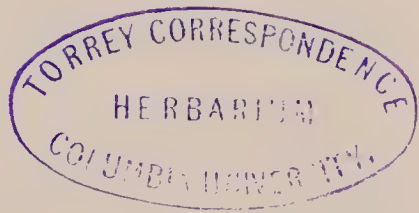
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John Farrey M.D.
New York
North America.

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Edinburgh. December 10th 1891.



My dear Sir,

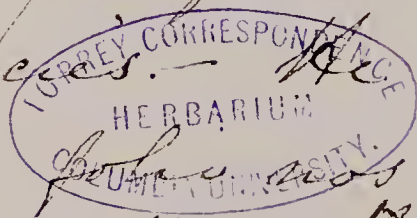
From your long silence, and not having acknowledged the receipt of a parcel of plants sent many months ago, I fear that it, & perhaps also my letter may have miscarried. I forget exactly how long it is since I wrote but it was after the parcel was sent & I mentioned in it that the parcel had been detained some weeks in Liverpool. - I once thought that something might have happened to you. till I heard from my friend Hooker that you had written to him.

J. Holbrooke who is going in a few days to depart for America is kind enough to afford me the opportunity of sending by him another parcel to you containing a number of *Cyrtosporium* particularly minute fungi & *Strombosia* among which you will find some very rare & valuable plants. Hooker having imparted very largely to me of some new *Mopse*

which he has received from Nepal. enables me
to gratify most of my correspondents:— you
are among the first. Many of our rarest
native species I have either gathered or received
since I wrote to you— particularly in an Excursion
made this summer with Hooker to the North
highlands. — you will not find many *Thonop-*
smous specimens. altho' there are several
Laricis. I wish you would compare *Cris-*
caulon septangulare with your species of
that genus. I strongly suspect you will
be found to possess it.

I have been impatient to see the
work you mentioned you were engaged in,
have you finished it? — We have not
been idle in Nat. Hist. this year. The Flora
Londinensis now carried on by Dr. Hooker
appears monthly instead of 6 mos. per year.
The Flora *Scotica* was published in the
spring & of an impression of 1200 Copies near
600 have been already sold. Hooker has
also begun publishing "Botanical illustrations"
figures of leaves fructifications. particularly
Genera to be for students. done on stone in
outline. 7 oblong folio plates in a no. 1 about

16—18 fig. in a plate - of plain. to be finished
in 8 nos. with short letterpress - an excellent work
on Zoology has been commenced in London
by Swainson who travelled in the Brazils. 1
Vol. is finished & does him great honour: he
is also publishing *Exotic conchology* in
4^{to} with beautiful Plates - One of the most
splendid works ever published in this Country
was finished this year - "a Monograph of the
Genus *Digitaria* by Lindley" folio - with a noble
coloured plate for each species. - He also began
Collectanea botanica in 4^{to} (coloured plates). it stopped at the 6th no. from
the want of a sufficient sale. - J. Horsfield
has begun a 4^{to} work with figures of the
animals of Java. You have no doubt
seen by this time the last part of the
Linnean transactions. the 8 plates of
the Genus *Rafflesia* - cost £300. a notable
proof of the riches of the Society. We have
in Edinburgh now going on the first coloured
work on Nat. Hist. yet attempted here. it is a
very large work on British Ornithology (Elephant
& Has fol.) by Mr. Selby a Man of some



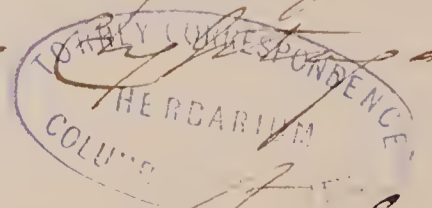
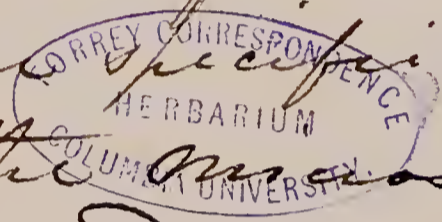
Thousands a year. 2 parts appear annually with
12 plates in each. The 2^d has come out.

I am glad to hear from S. Griffiths
whom I met in Glasgow that Wilson's Ornithology
is going to be continued

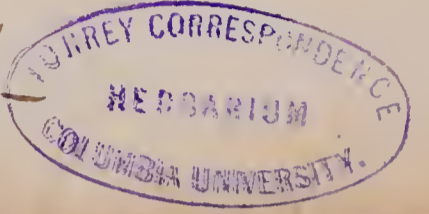
Within the last 2 months I have
suffered a great disappointment in my
bookseller giving up a work of mine ~~of~~ on
the Cryptogamia of Scotland which he
had undertaken. - his sole reason was
that he found it could not be got up
in Scot^l & he would not venture to
employ London workmen on account of
the distance - my only consolation
is that S. Hooker has had a work
given up after having been undertaken
for the same reason. I wished to
have given figures of all our fungi &
of other new Cryptogamic plants. I have
about 100 drawings ready for publication
if I do not succeed in my present plan
I shall continue my old one of giving

a Cryptogamic flora of this neighbourhood
with new views of many of its depart-
ments. particularly among the fungi &
algae. — I hope before Holbrooke departs
to be able to send you a copy of a
short Monograph on the Genus Crineus
now printing in the Phil. Journ. of Edinb. it is
my first attempt towards a reformation
in the description or rather specific charac-
ter of the minute fungi. the microscope
has been too much neglected in their
examination. — May look sharply
among your numerous forest trees for
new species of this genus. you cannot
fail to find some. & I shall be happy
to give them to the public should you
yourself decline it.

I hope to hear from you soon &
shall be thankful for anything you
can send me particularly Crineus
& remain my dear Sir
yours faithfully
Agassiz



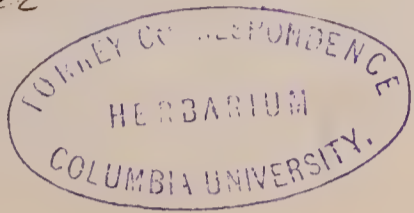
Writ for security to me at Dr. Barclay's
Argyle Square as I shall remove
from this house & am not certain
of my next address. I am not
going out of Edinburgh.



J. H. Sewall
Dec 11th. 1821.
Recd Dec 14. 9th 1822

Lambton 1. Wharton Place May 12th -
1827.

My dear Sir



As I have not heard from you for such a length of time, I fear you may not have received any of my communications - I sent a parcel of Plants Nov^{ber} 11. 1820. the arrival of which I never heard of. I also sent a few good things by Dr. Bollbrooke, dated December 1821. I trust he has delivered them to you, as well as a copy of a Monograph on the Genus *Crinum*. - Be kind enough to say when they reached you.

I send by my friend Greene a copy of a little paper of Scottish Fungi -

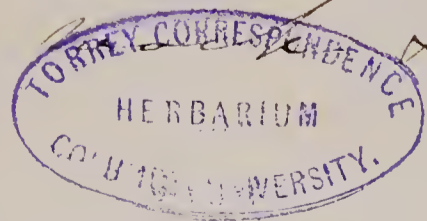
I need not tell you any of the literary news as Greene knows the whole -

I am advanced considerably in the first
part of a Flora Edinensis to be written according
to the Nat. Orders - & I am surprised
about my periodical work with Coloured
plates & descriptions of Scottish fungi &
the new Cryptogamia. The plates of the
1st No. are come from London where
they are coloured & are done well. I
hope it will be out on the first of July.
It is a serious undertaking & will cost
about £200 a year to publish it. It is
in Roy. 8°. 5 plates in each monthly No.

How delightfully puzzling it is to determine
grapes & Carices without names! I have
just got through a good number just sent
from Canada - but they have given me
much trouble. Roemer & Schultes's New System
ma repetabilium is a good book & has
been of great use to me.

I am dear Sir

Yours very truly
R. H. Greville





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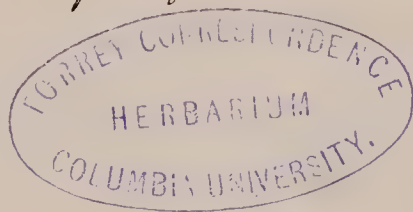
Dr. Young -
New York.

Forward by B. D. Greene Esq.



J. B. Green
May 12th 1822
No. 21 N. York St.

Edinburgh June 26th 1823.



My dear Sir.

Your letter dated Dec. 6th 1822. I did not receive till the middle of May 1823. — Not being a very regular correspondent to myself, I readily forgive your long silence, though I certainly was impatient to hear something of your proceedings in the botanical department of science; and am sorry to find this has not engaged your attention so much lately as usual — well I a mineralogist I should write in a different strain no doubt. Do not however forsake botany. Your Country is so rich, its vegetable resources so inexhaustible and so unexplored, that, I know no Country so equally fertile in plants and accessible. — I have the great respect for mineralogy especially when conjoined with chemistry and geology — but at the same time cannot avoid regarding the organized world and in short anything exhibiting the phenomena of life as more satisfactory.

It is fortunate however all are not of my opinion.

I omitted to mention when I acknowledged your letter, to state that the parcel of Plants arrived very long previously and in safety.

I was delighted with the many rare plants
it contained and return you my best thanks
for them - You must be aware, that the botany
of this Island is so well known that I can-
not hope to send you any new discoveries,
from hence. I wish I knew what Phanog-
mons plants you want either as specimens
for yourself or as duplicates - In regard to
Cryptogamia I will send such things as
I think may be acceptable although
perhaps sent before. - I have not received
any from abroad since I wrote last; the
New Holland parcel which you seem to think
I had received, I only expect, but have
every reason to hope for many good things,
of which you shall partake. 3 years ago
I had a parcel from that Country of near 500
plants and ferns but no duplicates. -

My Scottish Cryptogamic Flora has been in the
course of publication for 12 months and the
1st vol. is just completed. It is one of those
works which ~~is~~ ^{are} so expensive to publish, that
it prevents an Author being so liberal as
he could wish, in regard to presentation Copies.
otherwise I would have sent you some Nos. as
specimens. I desired a friend ^{who} lately left
Scotland for America to leave a No. with Dr.
Mitchell of your City, so that you will see it. I

cannot give you any notion of its probable extent - It may go on (if the public continues to receive it favourably) for many years, as I have abundance of materials, and drawings for 12 months in advance in my Portfolio.

I think I mentioned I had a *Hora Edinensis* in view. This has confined me 14 hours a day for near 6 months, and I have printed 250 pages which is nearly half the work. It will be in 1 Roy. 8^{vo}. vol. closely printed and comprises an extent of 10 miles round Edinburgh.

De Kay like a large fellow, never acknowledged the *H. Scotica* I sent to your Lyceum. You say it was reviewed in Brandes Journal - Do you not mean Brewster's? It was reviewed there very severely and very unreasonably; the author betraying a great ignorance of the subject. It was written by a Mr. Macgillibray, who is a sort of assistant in our Museum or sub keeper to Jameson. I answered it in Constables Magazine.

Brewster and Jameson go on now, tolerably well together - but the department of the latter miserably supported as you will perceive. - Now I have mentioned his name I will tell you how our Museum here (which really is a splendid one) is conducted, but do not mention my name when you talk of it. I pledge myself for the correctness of the statement as I proved it in my own person. There are 3 modes of admission.

- I. Any person may enter by purchasing a Half-crown ticket.
- II. Jameson's own class has free admission every Saturday, for a certain time.
- III. Annual tickets are sold which cost one guinea which admit you every day.

" No gentleman can get an annual ticket unless he has attended Prof. Jameson's Class & courses of lectures which costs a guinea. But the best is to come - Any Lady may have an annual ticket.

Does not this speak for itself? - Jameson you know is Regius Keeper and no one has controul over him - The Museum is a Royal one, consequently a public one. But no Naturalist wishing to put the collection to best use (by consulting it) can do so unless he pays half a crown every time he wants to examine a bird or a shell or an insect - & I doubt much if he got in, whether he would be allowed to do that, as Drawing is not allowed without express permission - & I have applied for permission, and have been refused because I wished to publish some of their new birds. This would have been reasonable, if Jameson was going to describe them himself but no one has that intention.

Schweiniz appears an excellent observer and must have been very active. His work on the fungi of Carol. Sup. was sent to me by Schweinrichen some months ago.

I heard from Mr. Elliott a few weeks ago and received from him a copy of his book and some good grapes.

Respecting the News of this Country — Hooker is proceeding with his Exotic Flora the 1st of which is completed, ^{contains} 4 parts each with 20 plates — price 15/- colored, or 8/- plain. They are very well engraved. (Parts 4 ^{terly}).

The Flora Londinensis is also proceeding regularly and is in my opinion one of the finest works ever published in this or any other country on botany. — Hooker* is also preparing a 2^d Edition of the Muscologia Britannica all the 1st impression being sold. —

DeCandolle has given up his great work on Syst. Veg. according to the Nat. Method. 2 vols. only have been published. He is going to publish a more concise work on the same method. something like a Synopsis plantarum in about 5 vols.

The New Society of Nat. Hist. at Paris, has put forth its 1st half vol. of Transactions, price 10 francs which is to be regular. —

Schwaegrichen's 2^d Supplement of Musci to
Hedwig's Species Muscorum is just out
Bookseller's price £1-4-0-4¹⁰ 25 colored plates.
Harnschuch and Nees at Esenbeck have also
just published the 1st part of Bryologia
Germanica with many colored plates &
full of species with no characters at all -
I do not know the price yet as my copy
is not arrived - It is 8⁰⁰

I wish you would be so good as to
send me Eaton's Manual in your next
Parcel and in return I will send you my
H. Edinensis when published - which it
will be in the autumn.

I have the pleasure to inform you
that you have been (at my proposition)
elected as corresponding member of the
Amerian Nat. Hist. Society of Edinburgh.
You may regard this notice as official -
In consequence of being absent from
Edin at the last meeting, I cannot
now get the Diploma signed in
time to send it.

I beg to be remembered by you when
any exotic Filices fall in your way
as I am most particularly anxious
to make a good collection of them.

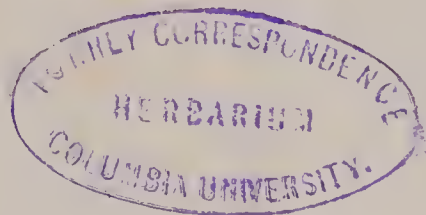
I remain

Dear Sir

Y^{rs} very faithfully

RK Greville

1. Wharton Place
Edinburgh



Send me a catalogue of your British
desiderata and I will attend
to them - I send them by degrees
as I procure them - At this
moment I am harassed by
Printer's Devils -

G. H. Peck

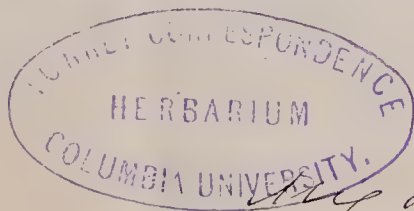
June 26th 1823.

Recd. Mr. Peck

St. John Force
New York.
N.Y.

Edinburgh Aug^h 16th - 1823.

My dear Sir



My friend Booth (now Dr. Booth) is going to send a parcel to America to-morrow and I am unwilling not to take advantage of the opportunity. Though I sent off my last parcel so recently. In fact I have at this moment nothing to send except some plants gathered in my last excursion, which was to the Cloga mountains in Angusshire along with Hooker & Burchell the African traveller. The great rarity of some of them as British plants, must make up for their small number. By this occasion I send Mr. Schweining some British Mosses

which may or may not be acceptable.
May I beg of you to take charge of
them..

I have not yet received the
3 & 4th fasc. of your ~~to~~ Annuals. - Since I
wrote to you (I think) I have under-
taken the editorship of a reduced Ency-
clopedia (only 4 vols 8^{vo}) but to be
entirely original and popular as well
as literary & scientific: the great aim
is to get respectable authors to contribute
to so small a work, but I have al-
ready some of the highest names in
this country sic W. Lott at the head.
It will work me hard for about 2 years.

You will by this time have seen
one monograph of *Orthotrichum*. Last
week we completed that of *Tortula*.
to which we have added 8 new species
and reduced nearly one third of the
species of Schultze in Nov. Act. Acad. Cas.
One of from you marked I think *T. caespitosa*

is *F. humilis*. I should like to have
your opinion of the new Journal
her, after you have seen it. Have
you seen Schott's maps of the geo-
graphical distribution of plants?
They are highly interesting.

If you have specimens of
any of your trees which you have
not communicated to me
before, duplicates would
be very gratefully
received. I am
most deficient in
those subjects.



I am

My dear Sir,

Very faithfully & friend

A. K. Wille

Give my kind regards
to DeKay.

P. H. Greville

Aug. 6th 1824

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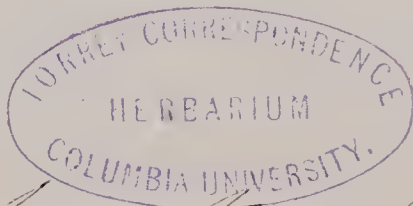
with a small package of
sistek plants.

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Dr. Larrey

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Edinb. April 10th - 1824 -

My dear Sir -



I have to acknowledge the receipt of a parcel of plants along with the Diploma with which I have been honored by the Lyceum and for which I have returned a grateful answer to the Secretary. I lament to say that your plants were every one of ^{them} totally destroyed by the sea water - which had penetrated to the very heart of the parcel. The 1st part of your work which you had also the kindness to send me is so much injured as to be scarcely legible the water having penetrated quite through it. I regret the loss of many of the plants especially the grasses as they would have been the authentic plants of your excellent work.

I have just published the first attempt towards a Flora of the immediate vicinity of Edinburgh. It is a small thing compared with your undertaking, but has cost me trouble enough in consequence of having had

to ascertain the existence of the common ones
as well as rarer plants. A copy for your
acceptance accompanies this letter.

I have had severe sickness in my family
for 3 months this winter & spring which has
interfered so much with my pursuits, that
I have little to say as to my doings
lately, always excepting my periodical
work which proceeds regularly. - Passing
over some months as almost a blank,
I am again active, and have commenced
with Hooker a laborious investigation of
Algae. We have just completed a Mono-
graph of the Genus Orthotrichum to which
we reduce Schlotheimia and Macromitrium
as we have species intermediate. - We
have added from our private collections
about 22 new species the whole number being
about 58. An article will appear in the first
number of Brewster's new Edinburgh Journal of
Science with plates of all the new species, drawn
by me. We are now busy with Tortula in
the same way, and to be published in the
same journal. You will have doubtless
heard that Brewster & Jameson no longer pro-
ceed together. Their term of agreement is finished
and Jameson put in a claim for half the
profits if he continued, though he only
furnished $3\frac{1}{2}$ sheets in each no. This was refused

and Brewster goes on with a new journal. Having obtained the permanent aid of very distinguished men to fill particular departments, their names being published renders them responsible for good or matter. Blackwood (Constable's Rival) has undertaken it. Jameson has commenced an opposition work, and there is an action at Law going on at this moment respecting whether he or rather Constable shall be allowed the old title Jameson from his constitutional intolerance will make a wretched Editor and I am near to certain his attempts will not succeed. This however is a disposition. - Hooker is proceeding with his System of Plants and has got a most active publisher. DeCandolle's Prodromus vol. 1.^o you must have seen by this time. He has crammed a wonderful quantity of matter into a small space - but in my humble opinion he has made too many species. His work is to be the foundation of Hooker's who I think will, to follow up his plan, make 3 vols, certainly not less than 2, of DeCandolle's one.

Mr J. E. Smith has just published the 2 first vols. of his "English Flora" - it is certainly well done - but too many species again - especially in Viola and Rubus. In the

latter genus he has followed Nees at Eschsch.
in the Rubi Germanici, a work of great learn-
but perfectly terrifying in the no. of species
resting on trifling characters.

I have put up in haste by this opportunity
a few Mosses that I collected a few days
ago in a visit of 3 days to Ben Ledi. Some
I have added on account of their being re-
markably fine specimens. I have sent
as many Orthotricha as I had dupli-
cates of even the commoner ones as they
are authentic plants of our memoir.

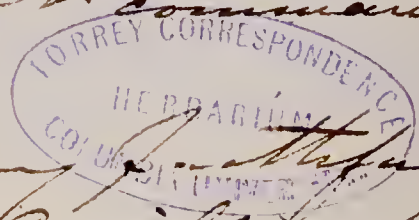
You will find Primula Scotica in fruit.
By the way the Gymnostomum prorepens of
America is our Orthot. clavellatum. it
is the Hyp. clavellatum of Linn.

May I beg my dear Sir to recall to
your recollection that you have more
than once promised me some of yr
American Crypts? I believe I have
sent you most of our British Musci.
but send me a list of your desiderata
I will do my best to file them
up.

Has a friend of mine G. Bentham
written to you? I gave him yr address he
has all the P. of France plants at command
& lives at Montpellier.

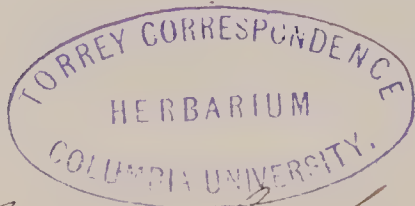
I am yr
I will make up a larger parcel
for you during the season.

Yours truly
W. Greville (L.D.)



Edinburgh. July 1st 1824.

My dear Sir



Your last kind letter dated Feb^{ry} 3rd has only just come to hand - & I lose no time in replying to it - only if my communications are no long in reaching you as yours are in travelling hither there is no saying when you will get it. - It is very difficult to send parcels from hence to America - but I hope soon to get some more regular means via Liverpool. - I have had a parcel lying sealed up for you 2 months containing *Flora Edinensis* &c &c. - I shall now do my utmost to get it dispatched with some few additional articles.

I have now (since I made up that packet) had more time to look into your work and without flattery think it well done. it must be a gratifying thing for you to reflect that it is the first at all complete work on American botany.

The new Holland plants have come but I have been grievously disappointed. That is, I had hoped for some duplicates but there were none, except in *Cry,* &c.

garnia - and they were generally barren of these I send specimens. The *Phenogamous* plants were about 200 in number. In the course of some months I expect another parcel and it will go hard if I have not some duplicates for you.

I do not believe DeCandolle has published the 2^d vol. of his Synopsis. His 1st contains about 10,000 plants, and is his best work.

I have sent the Lyceum a copy of my Flora and would take it kind if they would let me have another copy of their 1st No. of Annals - as mine was quite destroyed by the sea water.

So many names have been added to our Flora by the activity of our botanists, within the last few months, that Hooker has deferred the 2^d Edition for a short time. Even since the Flora Scotica was published no fewer than 4 species additional of *Orthotrichum* have been found. Have I sent you *Grimmia unicolor* Hook. - nov. sp. Scotica! I admire Smith and his *Hyp. recognitum*! The year before he printed that article, he allowed in his own house and to Hooker himself that it was nothing more than a variety! which transaction he forgot! There certainly is an extensive error in the figures of the synonymy of *H. proliferum* of the *Muscologia* but they are only transpositions. The synonymy

is in general wonderfully correct. The 2^d Edit.
will be enriched with the Hepatica but no figures
given of the Junpermannia. I am not aware
of anything at this moment that would be
useful to you, relating to American Botany. You
would be surprized if you knew the disadvan-
tages I labor under in Edin. burgh. There is
no public library that cares a sixpence for
Botany. The Professor is no collector of books
at all. I am thus obliged to buy all the
works I use, and often am as late in
seeing things probably as you can be.
If I meet with anything however in time,
you shall have it without delay.

Lindley has published a figure of Pterospora
in his Collectanea Botanica a work I do not
possess, but I do not think Hooker has
written upon it. — David Don has just
printed a Monograph of the genus Pyrola
in the 5th vol. Part I. of Wernerian Transactions.
He has 15 species, of which 2 are undescribed.

You do not mention a letter which I for-
warded to you from Mr. Bentham about a
year ago. I hope it has not been lost, but
I think I also named him in one of my
letters. He is ~~not~~ very willing to exchange
plants and can command all those
of the South of France as he resides at
Montpellier. He is a liberal correspondent.

In a letter just come to hand he mentions not having heard from you and fears his letter may have miscarried.

In addition to my botanical labors I have undertaken to edit a compressed Encyclopaedia which will keep me hard at work for two or three years. The 3^d vol. of my Crypt. Flora has commenced; each number now contains ^{one} new British Moss. Fries' last part is a capital production.

Hooker & I have commenced a series of Monographs of the most difficult genera of Musci, and have published that of *Orthotrichum*, *Lycopodium* and *Glyphomitrium*. To the first we have added about 20 species; and certainly between us have the richest collection in the world. We are now at work on the *Tortula*.

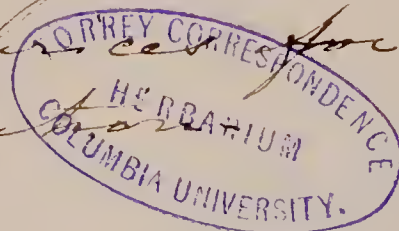
I shall be most happy to correspond with Schweinur, and shall address a few lines to him to your care. If you could obtain specimens of his new *Carex* for me it would be a great obligation.

I am my dear friend -

Very truly yours

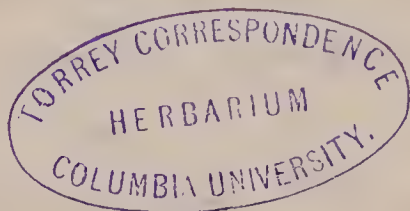
I have written in a great hurry, as I have heard since I began my letter that I can get it sent to Liverpool tomorrow morning.

R. K. Greville



Edinburgh - April 4. 1825.

My dear Sir



I wrote and sent off my last packet in such haste that I found I had omitted several of the Crypt. you had requested our examination of. They are:

"*Hypn. abietinum*" is *Hypn. proliferum*.

"*Hypn. elegantulum*" I think I mentioned but am not sure. I can make nothing else of it.

Thos' Hooker's figure is not characteristic.

Have you a capsule you could give me of it?

No. 20. Herb. Mad. is *Polypodium aureum*

No. 11. ♂ - ♀ - is *Vittaria lineata*

No. 2. ♂ - ♀ - is a small variety? of *Jung. microphylla* Hook. Mus. Ex. (t. 80)

No. 9. ♂ - ♀ - is *Jung. spinulosa* (Hook. Jung. t. 14).

The packet ~~cont~~ marked *Hypn. Boscii* & *Leskea congesta* contains 2 species. The larger one is *Leskea pungens* the smaller one an undescribed *Hookeria* as far as can be ascertained without fruit. I call it *H. capillaris*. I have it also from Jamaica.

No. 1. Herb. Mad. is *Jung. juniperina*.

Leskea albicans is *Hookeria albicans*, Hook. & Gray. in Journ. of Science v. 2. p. 230.

No. 22. Herb. Mad. is *Pistia stratiotes* - a curious plant of the Nat. Ord. *Striodes*. I have received it from the East Indies.

"*Bartramia stricta*" is certainly a *Dicranum* and of the group of which *D. flexuosum* is the type. Without fruit nothing can be done with this.

Junc. mastigophora, Spreng. is a suspicious looking thing, and from its habit and structure I sh^d not esteem it a *Junc. mannii* till I saw the fruit.

Hyper. laniforme, Brid. is correct: but that plant is nothing more than *Redempia Humboldtii* Hook. & Arce. Bot. Beechey. Ex. 7. 137.

"*Usnea* mixed with *Laminularia lanata*" is *Evernia divaricata*, Ach. *Usnea flaccida* of Hoffm.

23. Herb. Mod. is a *Neckera* of Schwaegichen. But I believe a *Daltonia* of a Monograph Hooker & myself have in view. - There are 3 species very near each other *N. composita* Hook. *N. bipinnata* of Schwaegr. & *N. affinis* Hook. - the 1st has an erect seta - the 2^d a curved one & the last an erect one. judging from habit, I sh^d say your plant is certainly not the first or second and the leaves are not long & narrow enough for the last: besides the nerves are united at the base, (or there is properly speaking one biarticulate nerve). I have a plant from Jamaica thrice as large as yours, with the same habit but the two nerves distinct from the very base. - When we have thoroughly examined these puzzling individuals you shall hear the result.

"*Junc. Thouarsii*" is *Junc. fimbriata*, f. Rich. (Hook. & Arce. Bot. t. 79.) - I had a miserable specimen & was rejoiced to see yours.

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I have addressed a short paper to the *Agave*
containing descriptions of 5 new species of *Mopos*
and *Jugermannia*. Two of them are natives of
North America. One of the *Jugermannia* ^{above alluded to} you sent
me, named *J. exsecta* by Griseb., it is however a
new species and I have called it *carinata*. I have
^{had} them engraved here, and send the Copper along
with the MS. to the secretary. Would you have
the kindness to look over the proof for me
when printed? I insert the figures to the plate.

By this conveyance I have dispatched to your
care a packet for Mr. Schweinbe, containing speci-
mens of British *Mopos*. I understand he is now
in Germany but is to return in the autumn.

Hooker is still on the continent - but his
Exotic Flora goes on from the materials he has
left.

Have you seen *Proscas's* *Provanian* Plants
of the Order *Scitamineae*? *Large folis* - 8 plates
in each no. 2 have appeared. one guinea
each colored. It is executed in lithography
and a fine work tho' a few of the early
plates not sold enough. I have just
made a drawing for him of the magni-
ficent *Canna viridiflora*. I have also
just secured a drawing of the superb
Rhododendron arboreum (from Nepal) which

has flowered here, for the first time in Europe. The flower is as large as *R. ponticum* but a fine scarlet-crimson - like that of *Agalca Indica*. It will be the finest thing in Hooker's East. Flora.

Hooker is about to publish a folio work of plates of *Salices* in the same style as his *Grasses*. The first part is nearly ready: if well done it will be truly valuable for the species are in a glorious confusion.

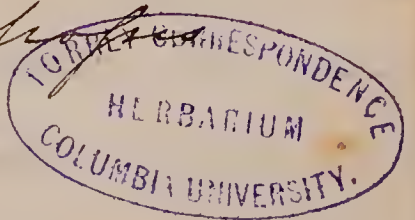
Can you send me specimens of any of the Oaks which I have not in my herbarium are only the following. *Q. montana*. *obtusilobata*. *coccifera*. *tinctoria* (one fruit.) *lex*. *coccinea*. *sepiliflora*. *ilicifolia*. *Robur*. *alba*. *Phellos*. *negra*. I am puzzled between *coccinea* & *rubra* but of the latter I have no authentic specimen & sh^d be greatly obliged to you for one.

I have enclosed specimens of the *Myrica* described in my paper & remain

My dear friend -

Very faithfully yours -

A. G. W. Ellis

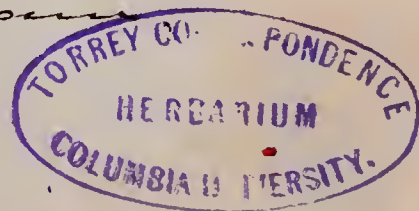


April 14. ^H *Agrimonia eupatorium* & *Prunella vulgaris*
from you appear just the same as ours. *Aspidium*
angustum, I should consider distinct from
asplenifolium however I may be wrong in
what I take to be the latter. I never saw
a *Potamogeton* like the one you have sent,
certainly it cannot be a variety of *P. perfoliatum*.
It is more near *P. serratum* which Willdenow
says has the leaves entire. I sh^d rather
suspect it is a new species -

I have mislaid my specimens of
Calyropsis Hobsoni but will secure one
for you when I find them again.

Yours faithfully

R. H. Howell



A. H. Gault

Amel



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Amel

John Gault

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Edinburgh - Feb. 30, 1835.

My dear friend

LIBRARY
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GARDEN.

Yesterday arrived your Parcel and
 letter in which please to accept my best thanks.
 I shall write to Dr. Barratt in this time also
 and thank him for his share. I find many
 of the plants are not in my collection and
 consequently extremely agreeable to me. Dr. Barratt's
 rarities are also peculiarly welcome and are as
 you say in fine state. Many of them however
 have no leaves which does not look well in the
 herbarium - but I am very thankful for them,
 and as Schumacher has also promised me a
 complete collection as he can make I shall
 make most capital apartment amongst them.
 I shall be glad to see your Monograph - for I con-
 sider that species of writing as the most useful of
 any. Early in Spring both you and Dr. Barratt may
 depend on receiving something from me. All the
 British rarities I can command are at your service,
 and I will look after them more particularly during
 the next summer. I have not seen Devey's papers.
 Silliman's journal not coming regularly to Edin-
 burgh. - Can you tell me for how much I could get
 a copy down to the present time. A second hand
 one would do. I should like to have it if it could

Given by A. M. VAIL from the J. J. Brooke Collection

MAR 4 - 1907

be had more cheer - but not otherwise as it would be
only a work of partial reference to me.

Smith has within this week published the 3^d volume
of his "English Flora". It is really an excellent work and
contains a mass of critical matter that perhaps no one
living but himself could have done so well or so
very accurately. Considering his advanced age I al-
most wonder he has adopted so many of the mo-
dern alterations as he has done.

Hooker is preparing for his System, and I scarcely
think he will be out in the middle of 1826 at
earliest. It will be immense labor, and what in my
eyes would be very unpleasant he has also to
contend against - that is all the bad species that
DeCandolle has introduced into his Systema. For
Hooker cannot be quite so independent as if his
work was wholly & totally original. You know it is
understood that the body is DeCandolle's - unless Hooker
adds everything new that he can. It was even to have
sent him the sheets of his Systema as they were
printed had it been necessary. All this ^{must} produce a
sort of delicacy towards DeCandolle's species, not quite
to be desired! Hooker cannot take all the liberties
he might wish. I can give you an instance of
bad species creeping into De's work besides those of
Rafinesque. My friend Buchell collected a most valu-
able Herbarium with numerous duplicates in Southern
Africa; some very far in the interior: by exchanging he
expected to make a good general herbarium; and made
a bargain with De. Buchell sent him at first a
thousand specimens - for which De only returned 500 many
of them common European plants! Of course De saw
no more of Buchell's plants, and for want of origin =

at specimens of the Pezizogonia of which Burchell has plenty, he has introduced all Suco's species with their ugly names. A great proportion of Burchell's collection is entirely new.

Thunberg's Species Plantarum, is a villainous production - scarcely a reference of any kind. Unless you have faith in him sufficient to remove a mountain his book will be of little value. He gets on however with most marvellous celerity. There is no chance at all of Schultes doing anything more - he has disagreed with most of his contributors. Persoon is really preparing for a 2^d edition, but it is chiefly on his own assertion, and he may only be wanting to accumulate specimens to sell which he is known to be in the habit of doing. He wanted things from me 3 months ago, but I knew him too well.

There is a very beautiful work just completing at Paris which you can scarcely have yet seen. It is called "Essai sur les Cryptogames des écorces exotiques officielles, par A. L. A. Fée. It forms 1 4^{to} vol. 33 plates very nicely colored containing 130 figures of new (chiefly) lichens. On papier velin it comes to about £3-0-0.

I cannot think what is the matter with Elliott. In return for the 8 first parts of his work which he promised to continue to send, I forwarded a package of plants and a copy of my H. Edinensis &c. This was nearly 2 years ago - and I know the parcel reached Charleston in safety as well as a subsequent letter - yet I have never had a line from him. I wish you could find by means of a side wind the occasion of it.

In one of my letters (I think) I mentioned some Alga you had sent to Agardh. Have you any duplicates? I am ever keen in adding to this part of my collection. Agardh sent me a number of his more minute new species. His Systema is too brief, and wants an index

of synonyms lamentably. If you write to me or
let any mention me kindly & tell him, he shall hear
from me the first parcel I send.

I am my dear friend

Very faithfully yours

W. S. M.

Confidential

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Dr. John G. Searcy

Professor of Chemistry

West-Point

New York

W. S. M.

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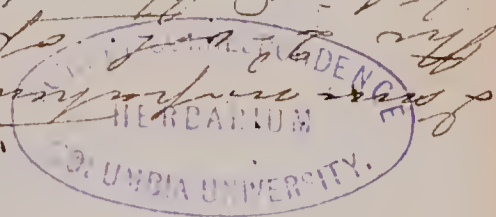
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that he could, provided he did provide. Smith's book might
have been made a highly popular one - but it is only
intelligibly scientific. I am certain that a scientific and
modernized edition of Withering's Bot. Arrangement would do
more for the study of the subject than any other work
ever published. I have written to Mr. Barratt
on the subject of the book and he has promised to
write to you on the subject.

From my dear friend
I am very glad to hear
from the day after tomorrow.
I shall be glad to see
you in London soon.
I have not heard from Hooker yet.
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you in London soon.

About a week ago I had the pleasure
of receiving your letter bearing date the
17th of March and along with it the
parcel of your Flora for which accept
my best thanks. The parcel of plants
you mention as having sent at the
same time to Hooker's care I have not seen,
but may do so in the course of a few
days as I know Hooker has been from
London for near a month - so I shall wait
to hear from him before I close my
letter.

From the date of your letter you could
easily have received anything from me
if you wish. On the 4th of Feb^r
I sent off a parcel to De Kay containing one
for you, and in yours, one for Dr. Barratt,
(sent to Genoch on the 11th) and on the 19th
of April I wrote to Dr. Barratt and sent
him the remainder of British Algae.
This summer has been a sadly unsettled one,
and has however come to an arrangement
with Constable & Co's trustees - and now now
at all events the Encyclopaedia is off

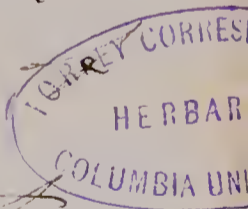


Cambridge, Oct. 24. 1826.

my hands; botany will again assume its as-
cendency. Indeed it is already doing so. a
few months ago I proposed to Hooker a
folio work on Ferns, and I am happy
to say we are in progress - It will come out
in 4-6 parts 20 plates in each part, with
Latin descriptions. The title will be
"Icones Filicum ad eas potissimum species il-
lustrandas destinatae quae hactenus vel in
herbariis delituerunt prorsus insignitae; vel
in saltum non per icones botanicis innot-
uerunt." Auct. Hooker & J. E. Smith. In
My Crypt. Flora will give up the Ghost I am
satisfied at the end of the present vol. (the
5th). I have lost near £100 by it. It is one
of those books that one cannot afford
to give away however one might feel
inclined (at least in my case). If however
you ever do honor to the work by pur-
chasing it write to me & I will pur-
chase it at the author's price viz. 3/-
instead of 7/- per number. at the end
the 5th vol. there will be 60 nos.

You do not seem to be aware that
Hooker's System of Plants is done up at
a very rate for the present. No bookseller
will take it.

The new Medical Journal has changed its
plans and cut down the collateral sciences
so much that I shall do nothing more
for it. I am now connected with Paer-
sons and shall be very glad to receive
any notices from you, especially in
Mineralogy or Chemistry. Could you not

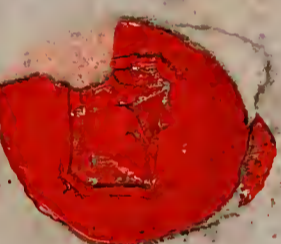


give me a short article on the history of
~~the~~ geology & mineralogy of the U.S. it
would be particularly acceptable. I may
think of it. I mean the history of the progress
of the science and its principal results.

Can you send me specimens of the following
Feruss - residerata in my Herbarium? Lquisetum
virginicum. (I have received umbrosum from
Bernarda). - Lycopodium tristachyum, sabin-
spolium, Opbioglossum bulbosum, pusillum -
Potrychium dissectum, funarioides, obliquum.
- Acrostichum aureum. - Aspidium cicutarium,
obtusum, atomarium, rufidulum - Onoclea
obtusilobata. - Splenium pinnati-
fidum, angustifolium, montanum.
Pteris hestata, gracilis. - Blechnum
seriale. - Woodwardia thelypteroides.
Cheilanthes dealbata. Hymenophyllum
ciliatum. - Goetes americana. - Azolla
caroliniana. If you can help me to any of these
I shall be truly obliged. I want some others
for my correspondents for which I shall trust
to the kindness of Dr. Barratt. your set of
specimens will be most acceptable and I will
do what I can to send you the scottish ones.
Now I am among the Cyperaceae I may ask why
you have joined Eriophorum tenellum Nutt. to E.
robustum. The latter has leaves flat and broad,
the peduncles of the spikes smooth and the silky
hairs (in this country) about 3 times as long as the
spike. in E. tenellum the leaves are narrow almost
triangular, the peduncles both rough and downy
and the hairs scarcely twice as long as the spike.
I think you will find them very distinct.
Bentham is come to reside in London & to study the

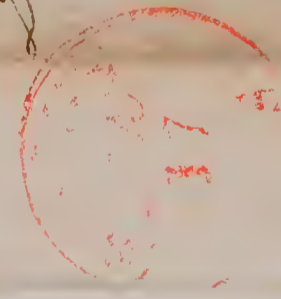
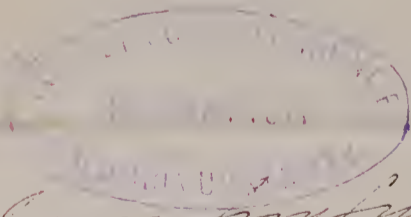
RESPONDENCE
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For - you may now direct to him at General Benthams
Boys Lane opposite Place Vendôme. He has brought
plenty of such articles with him, and you may
get some good things from him yet.
I wish of him that English were out & sell here
for so cheap as which I believe is impossible
under the London price. But we may not
work and there are some thousands of
highly useful. Between ourselves Hooker's



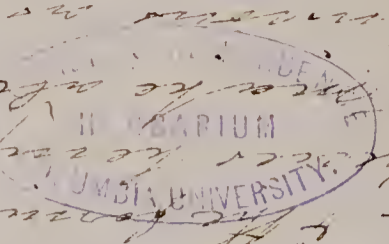
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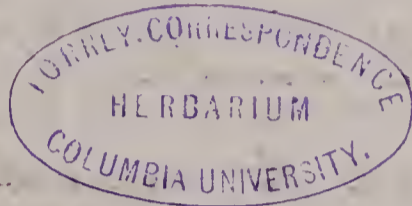
Received of it in nearly the one - He & I drink in coffee
I wish I had been sharing about the following
Ke. & the former was necessarily arranged at his
the latter is a very good - The latter is a very good
to make the same - for I know Hooker's
I know me to be right and we think we will
I wish of English were out & sell here
for so cheap as which I believe is impossible
under the London price. But we may not
work and there are some thousands of
highly useful. Between ourselves Hooker's



Received with the copy of D. G. Algae Britan. which was sent three years ago, by the hands of
Mr. Davidge. Aug. 25th 1833.

Birmingham Dec. 5. 1830.

My dear friend.



It is so long since there was any communication between us, that I am fearful of calculating the exact time, lest the whole of the fault should be found to descend on my own shoulders. Be assured however that I have not forgotten you, & as a proof of it, I now beg your acceptance of a copy of my last work - that is the last work in which I am not associated with others. I trust you will receive it with indulgence - it has cost me more labour than its first appearance indicates; you having to oppose my old friend Sparrle in many respects, I was obliged to proceed with abundant caution. It has been very gratifying to me, to receive communications from several eminent men, giving the preference to my arrangements - especially

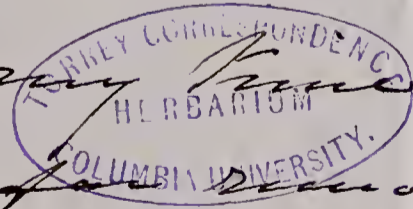
from Martins. I shall probably undertake
a synopsis of my collection - at a future time, when my
exotic collection is more extended. & with this
view am collecting from all parts of the world.
As it is I possess the finest herbarium of Alga
in this country.

Before I discuss the subject of my own
concerns, I am about to make you a proposal.
I know not whether you have got a copy
of Hooker & my Southern Filices. but for the moment
I suppose you have not. We only receive a
few plain copies each for all our labour, & I
have exchanged them with different correspondents
for books or plants. I have a copy left & would
have no objection to send it you in exchange
for plants. But let me tell you how I am
situated. I commenced my herbarium upon
too small paper - & unfortunately glued down
many plants upon it. Two years ago, I revo-
lutionized my collection. introduced a large fine
thick paper - & have been at the trouble of
recollecting many British & European specimens.
So many of my American ones (mostly due to
your kindness) are in the same predicament, that
I am anxious to procure others. If therefore
my proposal be agreeable to you, let me know.

what I wish is a specimen (good one) for my private
herbarium of ~~any~~ ^{as} many American species as you
can command - not of course all at once, but
from time to time, until you have supplied me
with a fair representative of American vegetation.
For this you will receive not only the present
Rones Filicum - which will be finished in six months
(240 plates) - but our second series of the same
extent, for which we are at present trying
to find a publisher. The latter will be indeed
as far as the text goes, a Species Filicum.

Such a collection as I wish from you, will be
valuable done from your authority. By the
way pray send me a copy of your Synopsis
which I believe ^{was} published some time ago.

Your 2^d vol. of the flora is I suppose not
yet finished. What else are you about, &
what botanical or news have you current?
How is McKay? pray give him my kind
regards. I would have written to him by
this opportunity, but ~~my time~~ is terribly
cut up with business ~~for~~ ^{prevented} from
botany. I am Secretary to the Society
for the abolition of Slavery - I see I have
just sent off a petition with 25,000 names.
We are following your example, too, with
regard to Genevieve Societies. We have about



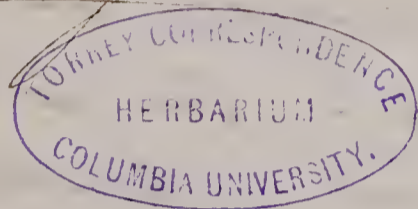
20,000 members in Scotland. The subject however meets
with great ridicule & opposition. Are you aware
that Calluna vulgaris has been found in Nova Scotia?
Erica Mediterranea has been discovered plentifully
near Dublin.

Believe me

My dear Sir

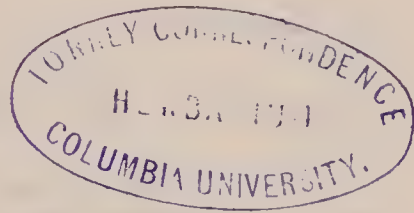
Yrs-very faithfully

W. Greville



Dr. Torrey
Professor of Botany
New York.

Edinburgh March 23. 1832 -

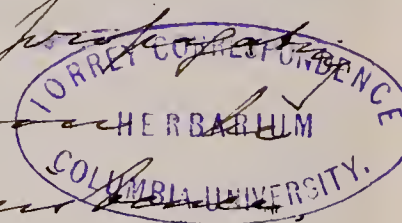


My dear friend

I have this day put on board of the brig Margaret - Alexander Craig, Master bound from Leth. to New York ^{particuli I - XI} of the *Sonae Filicum* - The vessel is to clear out the first of April. I am sorry that the publishers have been going on at such a snail's pace with the concluding parts that I have not been able to send it complete as I fully expected - It shall however follow by the first opportunity. Since I last wrote my pursuits have been grievously interrupted; especially by an operation in one of my eyes; which although nothing more than the extraction of two encysted tumours not being deep-seated & having formed strong adhesions, occasioned some inflammation & great iridiality - which was increased by the subsequent use of caustic to keep the granulations ~~in~~ within due bounds - I am rather

destroying orders at the present moment
in writing I can only peep at my
paper - I hope to be fairly at work
again in a week - The 10th fasciculus
of Wallich's splendid work has just made
its appearance. He has lately been kind
enough to dedicate a genus to my
second name (Rayea) the other being preoccupied
Hooker's 4th fasc. of the Arctic flora is
also out - & the second volume of the
fauna by Richardson & Swainson: a very
beautiful book containing the birds with
a great number of exquisite colored plates.
I do not recollect whether I told you that
Graham our bot. Professor here is about a
synopsis of the British Flora - for the use of
his class - The number of our floras is
becoming quite amazing - & if they act
as so many common centers for propagation
to a love of botany, we shall soon be
the most botanical nation in existence.

Pardon me my saying more, for I
can hardly see what I am about -
What is my old friend Baker doing?
Yours affly -
R. Peck





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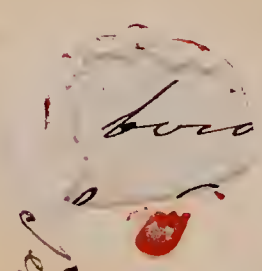
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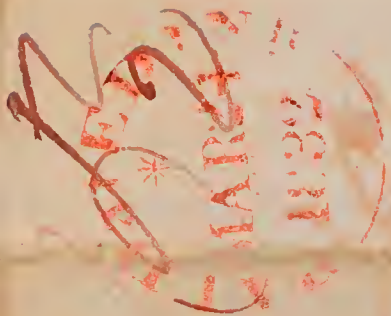
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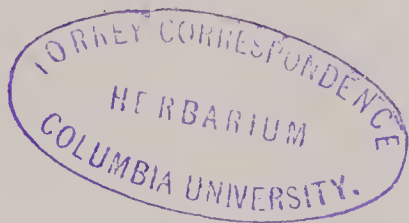
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Edinburgh. Sept. 13. 1849.



My dear friend

Your letter of introduction, brought by the Rev. John Miller, of date Jan. 7. 15. 1848 - was delivered by him a day or two ago. I assure you I rejoiced to see your handwriting again, & was glad to give your friend a welcome - All who have seen him regret & none more than myself that he should have left himself so very little time to spend in Scotland. It was exceedingly gratifying to me to hear about you from him, for though our correspondence from the circumstance of my having become so unworthily a member of the Botanical Fraternity ceased, I had not forgotten you, & often wished to know what you were doing.

You ask in your letter for an account

of my doings. My life during the
last few years - I may say the last
7 or 8 - has been a fair fragment
of human existence. - I have & sum-
shine, - a good deal to come anxiously
but many blessings (all undeserved)
to be thankful for. A change in
my circumstances much for the
worse owing the state in which
a brother in law left his affairs
at his death, obliged me to devote
all my time to some remunerative
employment. I became for some
years a professional Artist, - a
landscape painter in oils. - and
for the last two years I have oc-
cupied the management of a
large association for the promotion
of the observance of the Sabbath -
called the Sabbath Alliance. which
takes up my whole time, and we
are engaged on our herculean task
- a contest (a moral one) with
the Railway Companies & with
Government. - with the former
on account of their systematic

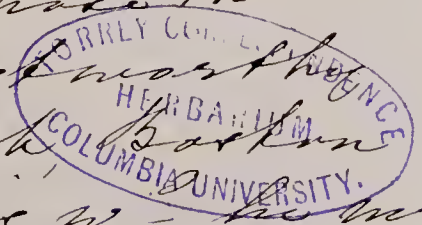
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Sabbath trains; & with the latter
on account of the delinquency of letters
& newspapers & running of the
mails on Sabbath. I shall give
Mr Miller twenty copies of our
Report & be for you which will
give you some idea of my
present position. The termina-
tion (when they do terminate) of
two Chancery suits, resulting from
my brother in law's death & in
which I am compelled to take part,
will I hope relieve me from that
daily attendance to business which
at present I am obliged to give;
for though my heart is in the
work, I sh^d like to be able in
my old age to devote a little more
time now & then to natural
history. One suit has already
been decided in our favour - that
is in favour of my wife & her sisters
but there remains an appeal & so it
goes on for a time.

I have not quite given up
nat. hist^y. In taking possession of

a smaller house, I parted with
my Phanerogamous Collection. But
retained all the Cryptogamia which
themselves take up considerable
space. And ~~my~~ what time I am
able to give is devoted to the Ferns
Mosses & the Algae. But my eyes
are not so strong for minute
investigation as formerly, & I
have for a few years past been
making a Collection of Land &
freshwater Mollusca. And this
bring me to say in reply to your
kind offer, that rare ^{phanerogamous} plants from
you would be thrown away upon
me now. but that should it
be in your power to help me
through any of your friends to
any of my ^{conchological} desiderata I sh^d
be very grateful indeed. The
nearest of it ^{is} however that I
cannot offer myself as a cor-
respondent to any one, not having
store of duplicates, which you
well know implies that general
attention to the subject which I

have not from various causes,
 time for. The late Mr Lea of
 Cincinnati wanted plants - How
 I had, so we managed admirably
 by sending your land & fresh water
 shells & I sending him botanical
 specimens. His death I felt as a
 great loss. You w^d - very greatly
 oblige me, if you w^d - send me
 (if such a thing is to be had) a
 priced catalogue of American
 shells. I sh^d - suppose that
 there must be trust worth
dealers in New York, Boston or
 Philadelphia. This w^d - be very
 useful to me & perhaps other
 friends. I take the liberty
 to enclose a list of my decidera-
 ta in two or three principal
 genera. I possess above 100
 of the genus Unio, but I want
 nearly as many.



How much of the movement
 in favour of the Sabbath in the United
 States, I am most anxious to

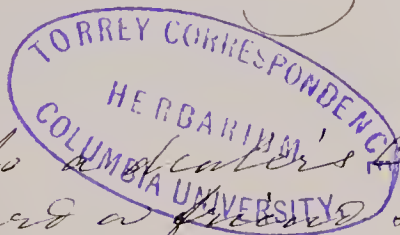
obtain some accounts of
it in an authentic shape,
but this I have explained to
Mr. Miller. A friend has also
written to the Rev. Dr. Cheever, New
York for me on the subject.

An attempt was made last
Session to get parliament
to pass a law to compel
every railway to run Sabbath
trains! - We succeeded in defeating
it. But the bill will be
brought in again next
Session, & I want to be
able to put into the hands
of our friends in parliament
authoritative information
from your country. I know
that in some of the States
Sabbath travelling has all
but ceased, & that railway
trains do not run.

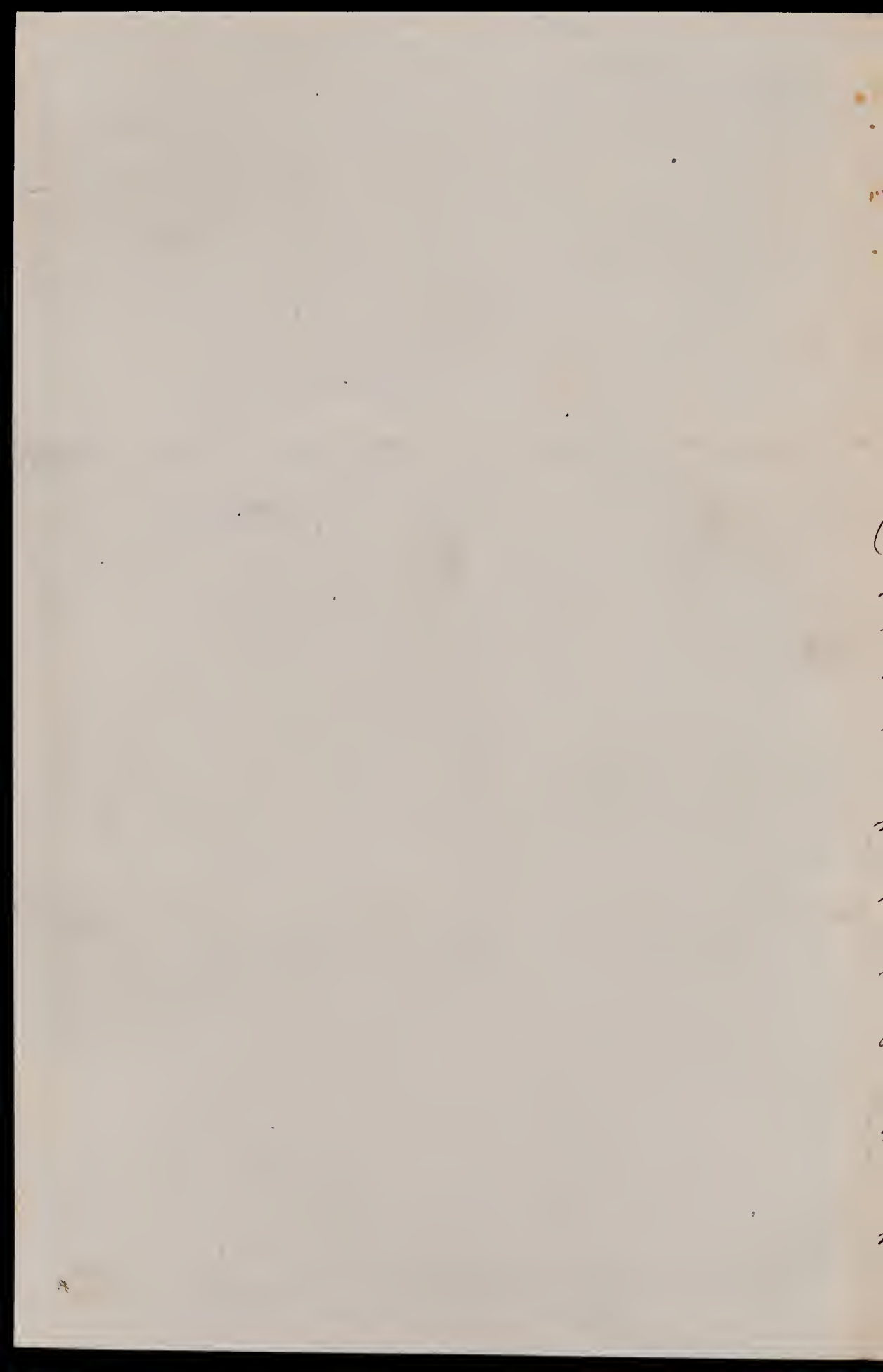
Believe me

My dear friend,
yours with great regard

A. S. Greville



P.S. with regard to a dealer =
toque I have heard a friend speak
of Dr. Newcomb, of Troy, New York
as a collector of shells. If you
happen to know him, he would
probably be able to say if there
were dealers who c^d be depended
on. Mr. Lea your great authority
at Philadelphia, w^o also know.





Dr. Greville

28th W. 10th St.
New York City

