Rec Jan 9
Ans Jan 14

HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Jany 5 1879

My Dear Engelmann

I ought to have
responded to your kind
of the 27th before this
It shocked us greatly,
to think of the immi=
nent danger George
was in. Please let
us still know how he
gets on. Your anxious
you & Mrs. Engelmann
must have been.
I hope all is right now.

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Yesterday came an
order to send you
two pots (all left
here) of Cactus
Fasciculare. So I emp-
tied out the pigeon-
hole here, which had
got filled with things for
you. — and all are on
the way, — to your old
climate — for when
the are here, where our
lowest has been + 7.°

I shall not be able
to add, more than I
have already. — to the
Cuspinus structure;
unless I take it up with

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a study which I can=
not make now.

I have this week to
polish up a little
Memoir of Asa Gray,
and go to Washing=
ton with it next
week. About a
week of interruption, I
suppose.

Hooker. I am glad to
say, is out of the
Presidential chair of
Royal Society, and
now may have a
little time for Botany

Every body suffers; or
has suffered, with influ=
enza here. My own

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cold was light, and is
over. My wife had
a very bad one — coming
night after Christmas,
She is only now getting re=
lief — nearly lost her
voice — is getting well
now — I hope will be
with me to Washington.

We are to stay with
Prof. Baird — may
stop to see the Canby's
Mrs. Gray sends her
love, and wonders upon=
parting for Europe —
she should be most
careful; and you also.

Ever Yours Asa Gray

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Rec'd Jan 25

My Dear Engelmann

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21st Jan'y, 1879

We got home last night from Washington — stopping over one day with the Canby's and two Sundays with the Redfields. Mrs. Gray saw Mrs. Hilgard in N. and heard that Jesse was not doing well. But what a time you have had! and what serious loss to Jesse & distress to you all, at the last! We are much concerned for you all. But I hope you now know the worst.

And what cold weather we merely & hardly touch 2 cw.

We have to bring up the correspondence accumulated & then — to finish Text Book and A. Gray

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Whitney is up here — grumbling & swearing about Bot. of California.

A.G.

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Ans same day

My Dear Dr Gray

Botanic Garden, Cambridge, Mass.

Feb. 14, 1874.

Here is Watkins last.
I do wish those Fir<u>s</u>
<u>could</u> be settled.

I hope by this time Gray
is getting stronger.
And I hope you also
are sustaining yourself.
Nothing can be better for
your than to get your
mind absorbed in the
botanical work before you.
Watson & Whitney are
almost in despair over
the California Botany
which is stopping the way; &
it delay is very prejudicial to
our interests every way, and you
Asa

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Rec April 8th
Ans same day

Botanic Garden, Cambridge, Mass.

April 5. 1879

My dear old friend

This letter from Buckham came this morning; and I will not answer it till you return it

What he thinks that B. is very about the Rhododendron punctatum. But we have no native flowers, which would be like it, as Buckham seems to think. Can you spare any native flowers to send to Buckham.

It is 9 years your senior, & yet full of good work. I hope to hear good news of you & Benjn. & am always Yours A. Gray

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Rec June 2

My Dear D Friend

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

May 29, 1879

I have neglected writing & to you a good deal. But when I was very busy and I knew you knew. Then I had for weeks a head-ache Asa & Mrs. Gray had an influenza with a regular fever — a quotidian. & was kept in bed — got about too soon, & got knocked up. & is still feeble, but really convalescent. Hoping to get strong fast so as to go with me on a trip South to Mts. Carol. with Canby, Redfield, & this time Sargent.

It was to have been June when ever Shutia blossomed. But that stole a march on us by flowering in April, so now

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me time it for the Rhodo=
dendrons, & will see Shortia a out
of bloom — & we hope to find
new Botrichiums. Then I
want to look up Darlingtonia —
which only the pr de is
known. Curtis seems to have
got it, without flowers, near
Lincolnton. Then we are
to explore the east side of
Blue Ridge, from the base
of Black Mt. to Grandfather
and then cross to Roan —
on which is prob the
"Blue Land Hotel"

Oh dear, how the time does pass. I wish I could stay at home, & finish Darby & Palmer's Mosses, & Campanulas, which abound with new & interesting species! But at the 11th of Clarke in Bruns Botanical [illegible]

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Very good that at the best way, I thought, was simply to call attention to it, & not count it worthy of being made fun of.

Thanks for the specimen sent in your last.

How is Gray? Getting along again? It might be well for you the to cross the ocean again - after you have done up the Calif. Oaks & Pines

Mat. has been very patient, but he misses the long delays

I send you by mail a copy of my new Text Book You see I relegate to their hands the anatomy, physiology, & Embryonics - and Reichardt

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I had to be rid of them and send two or three copies of the Flora Boreali-Americana. The ~~transcription~~ transcription into French in many places misled my meaning. And the explanation of the plates is a botch- I promised only the floral parts I never finished, - selecting the materials from Ht. Pl. to make another plate because crowded all on one plate, and promised to point himself, & then printed my explanation unaltered. The nos. do not match at all.

Mrs. Gray and Kindest regards to you & Jane - And I am always Yours affectionately

A. Gray

Rec June 21st
Ans — 27

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6,367 FEET ABOVE THE SEA.

L. B. SEARLE, PROPRIETOR.

June 17. 1879

Dear Dr. Engelmann.

I had been hoping you could come to Cantide &c. And as it seems you can't go to any ordinary place of rest & coolness till you do to Calif. I write Spiritual why the case is clear. Come to us. where there is room & to spare. — a welcome you can never exhaust. — books, plants, & everything. — & you can read proofs &c. — & correct up to the last. Geyer can be with you as much as he will, & go to Isle of Shoals - or elsewhere on the coast — for sea-bathing; & you go with him — if & as; as pleases you. My wife urgently requests you to come to us, Your old & near friend,

Asa Gray

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Rec July 5th
Ans same day

My Dear Dr Torrey

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

July 6, 1879

Received just now this morning & find I have yours of 27th June — Also this letter of Buckhaus, which I forward. You can write to him! We are both well & hearty. I vastly admire the prowess of Mrs. Brown — will be the same after a day or two if not, & she had some hard travel

Well, come to us as soon as you possibly can, Gray will not like to have you behind. Tell him to come to us at once — then pick the flora — shun at his leisure. You should not

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be done upon Gerard for letting us know how you were.— the simplest duty to us old friends, who could not but jump at the chance of having you here, and I wanted, too, to help along that Botany. Why could you not pack up a big box full of specimens & mem. & use them here? But I know it is a great bother to you, like you, can work only with my surroundings.

Interesting & curious— about the Grape-disease Mosquitoes! the Catalpa a a end up!— I doubt?

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I don't remember having had any settled convictions about the Iris of California. I left them to you * to work out and used to point his endeavors to tell them by the book. I cannot have said that I could distinguish the cracker of Colorado from its ally, or brother, in the Sierras,

In great haste

Ever yours

A. Gray

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* I dare was a clerical error.

Over.

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Dear Dr. E. Gray send some
at once, I am sure it will do him
a world of good, & we are wanting
Wade Jim as soon as possible —
We are just home — Affly Yrs.
Jane L. Gray —

Rec July 18th
Ans same day

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

July 15, 1879

My Dear old Friend

As the weather
grows hot, even here,
I think of you at
St. Louis, and am
sure you ought to be
out of it. Here
we can make ourselves
comfortable. Now just
do come directly.
A box by Express will
carry every thing you
can need to finish
there Botanies of Cal.
And remember, this Califor-
nia book is not the end-all.

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When we get our
reunited you can at
leisure do them
up for Sen. Ed.
N. America — then
all descripts can be
corrected but I
you don't come
on to Ore Coton
air you will be done
Pine up Directly.

And then what is
the End.
Be here in time
to welcome your new
Daughter (God bless
her) when she & Give
at mind here — I do

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not know just when I
but the Summer the
letters.

Mrs. Gray says you
will be very naughty
if you don't come in
right away, &
if you want real
sea-air, it is easy
to have it in 2 or
four Boston at various
points.

I turn over the
Catalpas to the Stellas,
and hope to see them in

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Rec Aug 2d
ans same day

Dear Old Friend

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July 30. 1879

Well, we had a
day in or of Europe
and his nice ~~little~~
wife, whom we like
very much. They
with is in town with
them to help them
buy [illegible] - duties
and they are all fun!
the craft — to be back
& visit us later.
Meantime you ought
to be here, on every
account, to have —

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change — to have some of the nice care my wife is longing to give you. for your own sake & that of the dear departed — and you ought to know me but must mind your coughing. She is used to that. I make a great noise, about my heart — and and you ought to let us do something for you, if you value our friendship. And Nature must have

his Course, which

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you can do up
here right away.
So come right
along. Very like.
Mrs. Gray will be
down to Brooklyn
most of the time —
and we will have
the house to our =
selves.
So come right
on. & stay
Yours ever
A. Gray

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Rec Aug 11. Davenport
Ans Aug 12

Dear Sir

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Aug. 6.

Yours of 2d rec.

Mrs. Cummings
sent us over yr card.
Better take Chicken
~~Noodle~~ soup, when. If
you have one rainy day,
you will come straight on
without stopping.

Your young daughter
is here with us for the night.
Soon having a smoke
& talk with Dr. Chadwick
& others in Boston, & will come
out in the morning. We are

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very fond of and already
intimate with her.

I have got back to
my regular task, &
am busy Emptoriem
—
Watson will give
you letters of Oaks'
Business, & altogether

Ever Yours

A. Gray

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Rec Oct 6 1879

Cambridge Thursday morning
(Oct 3d)

Dear R.

By this time you
are safe home again,
I suppose. So here is
another letter from Bentham.
I have written to him the
little I have to say —
and send it on to you
We are all as you
left us, — to-day cooler.
Morning an East wind.

With many thanks for
your pleasant visit —
I am Yours sincerely

A Gray

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Rec Oct 10 76
Ans Oct 12

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Oct 7, 1876.

My dear Engelmann

It was pleasant to get your lovely and a speedy letter and to know that you had a pretty good journey.

The letter to Lieut. C. St. Lt. McCauley, U.S. Cavalry is gone on to his father.—

I suspect they will want the young man for a while; to light Indians, I leave to-day. The Storms Weather nice.

To-day came from Sisson two pendent branches of the Douglas Spruce — one we keep & put by. I send you the other, and one of the cones & other branches — that came with it.

Now you will pay, there

two dropping things

But if you will transfer
the postscript of the articu=
lation from the box to
the top of the petiole!!
Mary will quite agree.
But you will not"

Catalpa Kempferi and
not Bent grass.

Ever Yours

A. G.

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Rec'd Oct 29
an 30 Oct. 26. 1879

Cambridge

Palem
Legare
Pseudococcus

My Dear R.

Yours of the 23d with
postal order for $45. is
this moment received

As to grammar:
"the things which Mrs. Gray
had made". I should
say was strictly grammati=
cal, — but, in strictness —
"has had made" is better.
that avoids "had had".
which we should ~~should~~ de=
precate

Glad the young folks
are at home, and all well.
We shall see what
Burbank will do!

Spiridella Bigelowiana
is pure & then Rigid.

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The Vernonia Lettermanii

I had only fragments from a fine specimen in herb. Torrey, collected by Dr. J. M. Bigelow on "Corpus Creek, Arkansas" — perhaps near Letterman's Station.

I should like a tolerable specimen. In my Mss. of Syn. Fl. N. Am. I had made it V. Iamesii, var. stenodes. But, having turned up again, I suppose, in the absence of intermediates, it is a fair species & so I had best adopt

it from you (with your name) Letterman should have permitted to communicate his name in Botany

Is that friend of his name

or

Mr ?

Mr and Mrs

We are well. A sister & Sister in law are on a visit. — the former

4 years my junior — but looks — my junior — 10 years older. But she has had sorrow,

Ever Yours

A Gray

Did you receive the seeds sent to Colorado?

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