

I hear from Engelman occasionally
though the mails are quite irregular.
He told me that your new Edition of names
was out & that you had gone for
a summer vacation as far west as
Michigan. - If I winter over in N. M.
I shall have my collection sent back to
Dr. Engelman who will see the New
Distribution &c. I shall not have sets of
plants for sale, but will distribute to
my old patrons all new plants collected.
I shall also send on seeds for distribution.
In case I return to the States this
winter I may conclude to take a trip
to the East. If you have leisure I
shall be glad to hear from you
address your letter to Carl W. W. Wright
Ch. Eng. U. P. R. R. Survey Albuquerque, New Mexico.
I will write again if I find anything
special to communicate.

Very Obediently Yours

C C Parry

Camp near Musca Pass. Rocky Mt's

Aug 22^d 1867

My Dear Dr. Gray

I wrote you a hasty note
some weeks ago enclosing imperfect scraps
of a leguminous plant, with Lomentaceous pod
I have since found it in better condition
both fl & fr & send an additional fl branch
I also send. sp. in fr of an Asclepias with
bracts with compressed stipitate
legume which I cannot refer to any
description in your monograph. I do not
find it in flower but have collected largely
of seed. It grows in dense broomy clumps
18 in. to 24 in. high. A. Scaphias of not
A. longistylus would be a good name. You
must raise it from seed to get the flower
I also send you ripe heads of Helianthella Parryi
which I find abundant in Sanguine de Christo
Pass. It holds its character well growing
directly by the side of H. multiflora I have secured
abundant & good specimens. It is often 3 in. tall &

I have some other small Corp. which are new to me but cannot now lay hand on specimens. I might say here that I find Aleurodus Trematia very abundant & covering large tracts of land on the head of Arkansas. The Linyris species are now just coming out also Tachymenia. I hope to make more awards for poor picking in the summer by securing a fair harvest of autumnal plants in the Mt. valleys and along the upper Rio grande. This Mt. district is much less attractive both botanically & artistically than that further north. I miss the bold alpine brooks with their peculiar vegetation, and especially the alpine meadows of high elevations above the timber line, here at such heights we have only bold exposures of rock, entirely destitute of phanerous plants. There are also extensive exposures of igneous rocks both in the interior & volcanic Mt. district. We are now near the head water of the Río Grande River, a noted agricultural valley which drains the high Mts. of

The Sierra Madre on the North west or the Greenhorn Range on the N East. The lower valley is devoted to corn and the upper to wheat. While the Mt. valleys supply pasture to large flocks of sheep. The climate of the upper valley is very pleasant in summer & not severely cold in winter so that stock runs and keeps fat without feeding. It is not at present disturbed by hostile Indians. The Mt. Utes being freely dispersed, and the hereditary enemies of the Plain Indians. In fact our government is about organizing a band of Utes to fight the Cheyennes & Arapahoes, and the noted Indian fighter Kit Carson is to command them.

It is a little uncertain about our future movements after completing the survey to Albuquerque. We shall then either winter over in New Mexico or return to the States to refit.



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