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Dear Dr Gray

Thanks for the  
Microscope safely arrived;  
Money sent; parcels taken to  
Smithsonian. The 1<sup>st</sup> use  
I put the microscope to  
purple ant. Elaphrium nudicaule  
of which nice flowering specimens  
came from Palmer during  
my absence, collected in  
Lower California last year.  
I send scraps. as the large specimen  
is too brittle. (a good specimen taken for you)

You will see Wright soon  
& get particulars. I do not  
think he was treated as his  
services deserved, but perhaps  
Prof White was not to blame.  
It was a badly arranged affair  
but Wright has at least the  
satisfaction of knowing that  
he did his duty faithfully  
& the results will show that  
he deserved better treatment

Our so called assistant?

(Wright knows who I mean)  
neglected his duty to the last  
I left him in charge of the  
heavy boxes on the ship to my  
and he took the life boat for

land, and they are still stuck  
on the ship. Have written to  
the Agt Dept agent to have  
them up - This delays my  
sorting up the collection  
as I intended to do at  
once. The plants sent at first  
are here in good order. Tell  
Wright to write me as soon  
as he arrives at Cambridge

Yours truly

C C Parry.



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