

That I should refuse without good reasons. I will wait your advice on the matter before answering his letter. I do not know what your personal arrangements are together but could you not consistently take a part of the lost £50. for your trouble? at least I shall insist on paying express charges to Cambridge

You will of course write me frankly on this matter and I shall cheerfully abide your decision. please retain funds now on hand till the matter is definitely settled

The labels came during my absence. I have not seen the parcel yet being detained in town but Mr P. says they were badly torn up in the mail (consequences of fire derangement?). I hope now to furnish everything up set in 2 weeks. let me know what you will specially want.

Very truly

C. C. Parry

Davenport. Iowa
Nov 29th 1872

My Dear Dr Parry I just get back from my trip in time for Thanksgiving. I had a rough cold since in the interior of Kansas. but accomplished the object of my journey very satisfactorily finding valuable deposits of coal & salt. the result is that I shall have a longer engagement next spring when I can also see up some boring and later in the season go to the mountains wherever seems most desirable. on my way back I went to St Louis staid over a day with Dr Engelmann he was very busy with practice

but we made out to go over
the Conifer & Asceuthabrum &
Yucca &c. and compare notes
& facts, will write more fully
another time. While there came
a short letter from you. in
reference to your proposed resignation
of Professorship. long by you. &c. I
have been anxious to hear in
regard to the latter point. am
glad it is no worse than you
represent. About tubers of Sagittaria
I had quite a little notice in
my book of Iowa & Minnesota plants
in Appendix Swains foot Survey, 1848

I am getting nearer for alpine sets
much beyond my expectations. I
must try to keep back a few for
foreign distribution, but I might
be have made 50 instead of 20 sets.
I shall go at the distribution
at once, will have some material

for you to examine, & settle on.
I feel quite satisfied from some
examinations that the Disco &
Arctica of the Rocky Mts is quite
a distinct thing, and should be
characterized. I will send full
material for comparison. The
new glutina, of produrba Regel was
is a very good nov sp. & I will
publish in St Louis Transactions

Now comes a letter from Mr
Backhouse, which I enclose
He seems not dissatisfied with
the results, and proposes to pay
me the full amount asked £150.-
in my last letter to you on the
strength of your criticisms. I
felt inclined to reduce my charges,
and am still willing to hold to
the proposition then made if thought
best. At the same time if
Mr B. is willing & feels justified
in paying more. I do not think



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