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My Dear Mr. Gray I have just finished packing & putting in Express office. Box containing between 600 & 700 roots of Leucocorynum. I found it too inconvenient and a waste of time to put up parcels for mail, so put all together in one box. They will no doubt transport better in bulk. I have preserved the roots as much as possible left in some of the natural soil and padded up with tufts of fresh Festuca. A few odd ends mostly at the bottom of the box will speak for themselves.

The Bookhouse to whom I lately sent a second specimen of Leucocorynum, writes that 1000 roots would be desirable. As I could have had another 500 & a larger box I could have filled the bill.

C.C.P.

This will at least give a
fair test of what can be done
with Leucocarium.

I leave tomorrow on route to
Ft. Bridger and next week
I suppose we will be on our way
to the Wind River & Big Horn
country. I shall probably not
be able to communicate with
you very frequently. We will
try to improve the chances. I
hope to be able to get through by
Sept. and put in a month there
collecting for Backhouse.

Mr Greene promises to meet
me there. I also have some
hopes of seeing Dr Engelmann
there.

I have seen Fordner, Hayden's
topographer who is now commencing
a thorough triangulation of the

Mountains. They are now
measuring a base & putting
up signal towers. He has
agreed to adopt Townsend's name
for the first peak, not simply
in my representations, but as
a matter of scientific justice, &
proper respect to the memory
of a worthily distinguished American.
This will of course fix the matter
in spite of Whitney's opposition.

Mr Parry will send you from
Lawrence a home Magazine presented
in the Putnam family, containing
an article by Mr Putnam Sr
on our trip to Parry's Peak.
It is beautifully written, and
worthy of extended notice. Mrs
Gray will be interested in it.

I can hardly say when I shall
write you from next
very truly C. L. Parry



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