

DAVENPORT

Academy of Natural Sciences.

Davenport, Iowa, Sept 13th 1878.

Dear Dr Gray

Just reached home after a very tedious & difficult trip by the frontier. via Saltillo. Monterey Laredo San Antonio. Left San Luis August 3^d by Mexican Coast Train 3^d Day out was attacked by inflammation of eyes which kept me nearly blind 'most of the way across the desert to Saltillo. Stopped at the latter place 10 Days to recover. then by easy stages via Monterey & Laredo to San Antonio. I managed to pick up some nice things on the way. as the season was unusually favorable abundant rain &c will pick out a few things to send before long. We are now expecting Dr Engel & wife to make

us a visit in return from Minnesota.
Expect a good time. I am busy
laying out things to examine.
The Putnams are well, and laying
great plan to entertain the Engelmans.

Please send me as soon as possible
by mail, all the late issued botanical
matter, especially Watson Index &
your Synopsis, with bill of the same
(including postage) which I will remit
by Postal order. Say to Watson I have
good fruiting specimens of Platanus Mexicana
I saw in Herb. Engelm. what I look to be
P. Wrightii Watson, I have also leaf
specimens of Populus Mexicana, from
Saltillo. I am not certain if the Populus
at Saint Louis is the same, but I have
full material for determining.

Found Mr Parry well not hearing from
me for over a month had been quite
anxious, but Academy in new building
is splendid, a room has been fitted up
for my special benefit. Just missed
freeman. I was very sorry

Yours &c

L. C. Parry

(Left Palmer at Sanders to finish up collection)



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