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Dear Dr Gray

Thanks for your determination of the Chico plant. and the squelching of the obnoxious "Chicomsis." Though to my taste the accepted name Canbesodii is still worse. but you are not responsible for either. But it will not do to call it "a waif" or even a late introduction for I found it covering square acres of ground in an isolated bog on the Sacramento where it was difficult to find entire sp small enough for herb sp. Its copious seeding must ensure its permanency or distribution by floods. So I suppose it is likely to turn up elsewhere as such things do in Mass, in the mean time, I can supply enough to get it in Bot. Cal;

I am a good deal "in the Dumps" of late with cold Malaria and what not. so that I have lost all energy and ambition & now expect (next week) to move South to meet Mrs Parry in N Mex. So my depest R. & adieu with be Colton Cal

I called on Lemmon & wife yesterday just back from Arizona with heaps of nice things. some not so nice they seem lively and well. Showed good sense in taking my advice to stick to one good locality & explore it thoroughly. You will no doubt hear from them soon.

You will no doubt have your attention called to the very disagreeable relations between Sargent & Pringle. I do not hesitate to express my opinion, from a knowledge of the facts, that the entire blame rests on Sargent and that he has treated Pringle in a most disgraceful and shameful way and without any just cause. Pringle has faithfully tried to do his duty, and has performed a large amount of irksome and laborious work, to receive in return nothing but abuse, and to cap the climax the withholding of funds necessary to carry on his work. So that Pringle out of a due sense of self-respect has left the field and gone home. I feel obliged to say this much in justice to a most excellent worthy man and a zealous worker in botanical science as you may well know.

I hope to hear from you occasionally at Colton or Elsewhere? this winter.

Very truly yours

C. C. Parry



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