

Davenport Feb'y 13<sup>th</sup> 1884

Dear Dr Gray

You will have heard before this the sad news of Dr Engelmann's death (11<sup>th</sup> inst.) my last letter from him (one of the last he wrote) was on his 73<sup>th</sup> birthday Feb'y 2<sup>d</sup>. It was one calculated to excite mournful forebodings but I hardly expected to see them so soon realized. George I. in notifying me of the sad event is urgent that I should go down there for a few days and advise with him, particularly in regard to his large & valuable botanical collection notes &c. &c. I think I shall have to do so., though I may put it off for a week or so. I never had any direct conversation with the Dr in reference to the final disposal of his collections, though it often occurred to me to question him on the subject. I infer from George's letter that he made no definite disposal



Have you had any conversation with  
him on the subject? to know what  
his views were?

Of course there is a large amount  
of very valuable material left that  
should be properly cared for, and I  
think that it is at least systematically  
arranged, especially on subjects that  
he had specially studied.

If I go on there I will write more  
fully on this subject. Please see  
that paper notices are published in  
the botanical and scientific journals  
Some one will no doubt take up a  
full obituary notice, probably yourself!

I am just getting through the last  
touches in Chorizanthe

Yours truly

C. L. Parry



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