

yourself to death

Pray believe me
My dear friend

Yours most sincerely

C. Darwin

A sort of vague feeling
comes over me that I
have asked you all
this before: if I
have, I beg very many
apologies. — I know I am

with several letters to
various parts of world
for similar information.

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Down Bently Kent

Nov. 18th

My dear friend

It is a horrible shame to
trouble you, busy as you ~~are~~
always are, but there is one
point on which I am very
anxious to gain information &
hoping it may be gained
in the S. of your country &
I can think of no one to
apply to ^{but} you. — Old writers often
insist on differences of constitution
going with complexion; & I
want much to know whether
there is any truth in this.

It has occurred to me the
likelihood to find a success
in yellow-face would answer
my question in a better
positive way. Do you
know anyone of a scientific
mind to whom to apply
to ask whether any
observation has ever been
made on pubescence, whether
European (instead of Amer-
ican) with negro-
(black) of dark complexion &
black hair are more likely

a leaf like to be affected
(on my revised form)
with yellow-face, than
persons of light complexion.
If you could aid me in
this it would be of much
value to me. But do not
trouble yourself to write merely
to acknowledge this. —
I have just published a little
note in Gardener's Ch. on
the falsification of Leguminous
plants, which rather bears
on our Fumariaceae disunion.
I sincerely hope the sun
is well & is working



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