

which I am glad to
pursue. Things I am surprised
it was thought worth
painting & engraving.

Your cousins to Bruce's
are coming here to day
after dinner to dine to sleep.

By the way, you will remember the
you wrote about Dr Packard.
As soon as I saw in Nature
that he was in London, I
wrote to him to call & to
visit, but heard in answer
that Dr P. had started for
Lancaster & whether he ever
recalled & in relation to down
I know not. My dear friend
Yours very sincerely
(Ch. Darwin)

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July 8.

Down,
Berkhamstead, Kent.

My dear friend

Very many thanks for your
book "How Plants behave".

It is a capital idea,
capitally executed. - It has
in many ways delighted
me, & I am even more
delighted to hear that you
think of publishing in
4 parts an output. Can you
support your idea that
ten parts become special
after closing an epoch,

from the 15th number from
collected meaning down
them, in as much
as they become trivial
when they have elapsed
nothing? — I am now
collecting proofs of the
small book on Expositions;
and when this is done, I
hope (health permitting &
if circumstances are too late)
to begin on *Immensa*.
I am thinking of reprinting
all my general - botanical papers

with 2 or 3 new ones in a
volume. — I hope it may
be in time for you. —
I am astonished at
Mr. Greville's spirit &
audacity in going
all the way to Edinburgh;
though to be sure there
is not much to do after
the Nile. — It makes
my blood run cold to
think of such expeditions.
I forget to thank you
for your paper of the 1st of May,



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