

is it not a little too full in
the face? Or have you become
fat?

Albany, Febr 8 1875

Dear George

I think I wrote you Jan 1st sending
gentian paper - too late, I see,
to go into your "Contributors"
for which I am much obliged. You
have done a good work in clearing
up *Enicurus* and *Physalis*, and the
confused *Borreria*.

But I differ a little from you;
perhaps that is saying too much,
as I have not sufficiently studied
the subject. It seems to me, how-
ever, that *C. Drummondii* and *enirocephalus*
should not be placed so far apart,
and I have suggested to Parry
already the probability of their
running together; *Drummondii* eg.
is common about Empire, generally
scaleless, but also 1-2 feet high
(and intermediate forms). the higher ones

with less crowded heads (larger internodes,
Eriophorum). I found on the alpine heights,
above timber, but in the upper part
of Clear Creek valley, in the woods,
is a form (apparently brought down
by the water and growing with *Gentiana*
Parryi and other alpinas) which
is less woolly and approaches the
caulescent *Drummondii*. No hybrids
apparently.

Both have white flowers, not
yellowish ones.

Your *C. Parryi* is common about
Empire, and the *cardinoides*, a little
different from Hall's '342, I have
found near Soda Springs. Both
have yellowish or erythroleucous flowers.

Will send you seeds of *Physalis*
lobata for the Garden, together
with other seeds - but suppose
you have most every thing from
Parry.

I have mailed today cones

(3)
of two forms of *Abies concolor*
received from Johnson in Utah.
That *Abies* middle is not yet
settled; and you are, I suspect
nearly right in placing *grandis*
next to *balsamea*, while *concolor*
is quite different.

I had the pleasure to pay
\$14.00 for a box of Cacti from
San Diego the other day - hard
frozen and dead of course.
Nothing new among them, except
the mature fruit of two *Opuntia*.
The characteristic seeds of *O.*
prolifera E. 1856, heretofore unknown,
confirm the species excellently
well. I enclose some for
Herbar and for sowing.

Hard winter, this! no peaches
next season.

Yours truly

J. Engelman
Thanks for that Photograph.



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