

Oakland, Cal. Mar. 2nd '82.

My dear Dr,

It had me down,
in our distribution, reaches the
immense order of Composite, &
will send off the parcels.

The Comps. have to be revised
& examined so much that the
work will go on slowly even with
the extra help volunteered.

The more of it is we are in-
terrupted so often that but
little consecutive thought is allowed.

But we have the most of the
Comps. well named up now and
will be ready with packages soon.

I send by this mail package
of plants preceding Comp. to you
for both Dr. Copson and Prof.
de-Condolle.

Also I send a package of
unrecognized forms &c. for
re-examination.

I shall have to forego our
usual spring trip to Arizona
but hope to get off after the sum-
mer rains.

I came ^{to day} upon the description
of Bidens Bigelovii in Mex.
Bonn. and do not see how the
words "capitulis sub-solitariis,
longe-pedunculatis," can cover the
señale-flowered species I sent you,
from Apache pass.

Has it been collected by others?
I saw it only in one place.

My wife is delighted to reflect
that the only bush that partially
veiled the entrance to our cave in
the Catalinas was the new species
of Courea. It is a beautiful
but wide branching shrub. ^{and} that is
as shown as many shrubs in
cultivation.

I have studied out a new method
of presenting the study of ferns to
beginners, which I must publish
soon, perhaps as a preface to my
next edition of "Pacific Ferns."

The urgent invitation comes to us
to attend the Forestry Congress next
month at Cincinnati and if trans-
portation is furnished beyond Ogden
we may go.

We shall await with interest its
report on plants submitted by this
mail.

My wife joins in continued
warm regards.
Sincerely Yours, J. H. C. Cannon.



Lemmon, J. G. 1882. "Lemmon, John G. Mar. 27, 1882." *John Gill Lemmon letters to Asa Gray*

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