

Santa Cruz Cal. Apr. 25th/73

Dr. Asa Gray

Dear Friend

I mail to day

a box of roots for you. You may thank your friend Foster, who presented his letter yesterday, for being instrumental in securing these things. I went out collecting with him and remembered you when I came to the Whipplea. I put in some roots of that and cutting a few. I think they will grow. There are several scraps of other things - two roots of the Trillium ovatum - two or three of the Clintonia Andrewsii - some roots of the Viola sermentosa and oscillata - may be something else that I have forgotten. But I think

You have these things already in
your garden. Let me know what
you would like for your garden
and I would be happy to send
it.

Mr. Forsté came in a good
time to get the flora of Santa
Cruz - and he has loaded
himself with specimens.

Kindest regards &c

S. L. Anderson

P. S. The little white Bulbs are our
Fritillaria. Forsté thinks you have it not
in your garden.

I have just rec'd. a letter from Mr.
Bebb of Ill. I have sent him our Willows
and he thinks one is a new species. He
will doubtless send to you for your
determination.

I will make up a little package
of our species and varieties here

and send you I think. We have 3
quite distinct species; and there are, as I
think, 2 very doubtful species. I must
study them a little more and send
notes with the specimens.

If new Mr. Bebb thinks it a "splendid
acquisition". But we shall see -
and between you and me I am pretty
confident we have but the 3 sp.
and the other forms are either
hybrid or vary on account of
locality. It was new nevertheless.

I enclose 3 ^{forms of} leaves. No. 3 grows in the
running water on the edge of streams.
No 2 grows on banks and hillsides away
from water but shaded. No. 1 is near
the water in sand and near sloughs;
I have not been able to compare the
fruit but I feel pretty sure they are
the same species. But three character-
istics are persistent ^{only} according to the place I
find them growing.



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