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Contreras House Wrenford
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My dear Gray

The ^{Mimosa} *Acacia* from Texas
in your letter received this
morning is new to me - It must
belong to America for although
the valves seem to show a
slight disposition to articulation
I observe in the ripe pod that
the articles have not separated
neatly and without laceration
as they do in the two first
sections of *Chimora* - It is neither
M. acanthocarpa nor *binneifera*
not only from the want of
pubescence but (in the fragment
you send at least) there are
no infrastipularly aculei but
the stipules themselves are
oparcent - the prickles being

rebulate and nearly erect ~~instead~~
of being dilated at the base and
patent or recurved. It does not
either appear to be taken up
by "Pastor Scheele"

I am very busy with the
arrangement of my herbarium
and as probably I shall not
have any opportunity of giving
away before you ever next
summer we may then find
some things to suit you among
my duplicates - In the mean
time if I do go over them I
will lay aside anything I think
you may like to have

The most remarkable
Sandwich Island Plants we
have are those in the British
Museum many of which from
the other Islands (not Owhyhee)
are not in any other collection

I know or almost all collectors
have only explored Owhyhee
and the plants of the different
island are often very different
from each other

Nothing is come yet from
Spain though I am in
daily expectation of receiving
the first package

About what time are
you likely to cross the Atlantic?

Yours very sincerely

George Bentham



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