

London May 12 1851

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My dear Gray

Handwritten 23  
Below  
Above is an order for £3.16.6 on the  
Fondin des Plantes which you would very much oblige  
me by receiving for me - I had intended receiving  
it through Vilmorin but missed the opportunity  
At the exchange of ~~the~~ 25.00 this will make 95<sup>50</sup>  
out of which I shall be obliged to you to give Mr  
Gray 50<sup>50</sup> which she has paid for Mr Bentham and  
some other small ones she may want for some  
little commissions she has kindly undertaken. - I have  
also a commission to trouble you with - that is, to  
procure for me a copy of Achille Richard's Flore  
d'Egypte if it is to be had without the non-botanical  
part of the work to which it is attached - I will give  
you the remainder of the price of it as soon as you



come back if you will kindly advance it for me.

Since we have been in town I have not had time to look at any plants - even at Hooker's the two days we were there - The Great Exhibition occupies us in town and I have had a great deal of conversation with the Hookers & some others about Dr Joseph's affairs which I hope are now in excellent train - for giving him a footing at Kew - temporary at first - but which must lead to his permanent flight there.

Every one is in admiration of the Great Exhibition which its most violent opponents dare not abuse now as they did before it opened - I only regret you were not here at the opening which truly was a grand night.

We remain in town till the 20<sup>th</sup> when we return to Contreras and I shall immediately resume work I



hope to be very much fixed there the whole summer  
during which we must have another visit  
from you and Mr Gray

With kindest remembrances to be  
believe me ever most sincerely yours

George Bentham



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D. A. Gray  
Rue Richemont  
à Paris

Mr. Bentham  
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London



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