

25, WILTON PLACE.

S.W.

March 14/73

My Dear Gray

I have several letters to thank you for - the last came just as I was sending Addenda et Corrigena proof for press and I put in two or three of the most important of your corrections that did not require much explanation - as to our having quoted Lauvall instead of C. Wright there is nothing in our copy (without a little page) to show that C. Wright had any thing to do with the names.

I am now only waiting for the proof of the Index which has been in the printer's hands this fortnight - but all printers

seem to be just now particularly
delatory I have a long explanatory
paper on Composite printing in the
Linnæan Journal which ought to
have been out before this but it
lags at the printers

I have received for you from Kie
(I believe for Cuban Hepaticæ)

£ 3.15.0 - against it you owe me
7/6 for L. Pl. XI. part 4 7/6 for XII part
1 and 16/ for Linn. Journ. v. XII.

total £ 1.14.0 - leaving £ 2.4.0 on
account of the General Plantarum
which I shall send as soon as ready
We are printing also another part of
Linnæus of which the plates have
been all printed off three months

In these Linnæus and others, where
I have been figuring Composite
the great difficulty has been with
minute details - not drawing myself
I cannot get Kitch to be correct enough
in all other traits and style - branches

- he has even made a map of some
diagrams I have had made for
my paper in Linn. Journ. - He draws
for general effect beautifully but
his analyses are never to be depended
upon - we miss some of the German
& French scientific draughtsmen
A good artist in England can get
better paid than botanists can
afford.

I sent you the day before yesterday
a sheet of Gen. Pl. to p. 460 There
are 3/4 more sheets the whole of
which are corrected but I have not
yet the clean copies

I am now very busy with Flora
Australiæ vol. VI which I am
printing the ^{remaining} Decotyledons forming
half the volume and in the printer's
hands and the Orchidææ - another
quarter are nearly finished

Yours very sincerely
George Bentham



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