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My dear Gray

On my return from a short
visit to Toulouse - where I was called by
the death of my great-niece's mother - I was
going to send you the 7th & last vol of my
Flora Australiæ, which I found had at
length been published but I found it
was beyond the 2 lb weight and therefore
could not go by post and it is scarcely
worth sending separately - I believe I
sent you the other volumes - if not I
shall be happy to send you the whole
even if you will tell me how I shall
send them

I have done Lauræa & Myrmecæ

Proteaceae and some small families for
Gaera and am now immersed in Euphorbiaceae.
Amongst Laurineae there was a very small
specimen of Coatesii which I could not for
want of sufficient material for analysis
[wait only] determine the genus of - Had
any one worked up the Californian Laurineae!

Hees made a terrible mess of the order
completely ignoring some excellent genera
of the older Japanese and Danish
tetraanthem. Jacq. must for instance give
way to Litsea Lam. so well described from
the same species in the Encyclopedie and
afterwards extended by Persoon in a paper
in the *Verhandl. des Museum* which Hees
never alludes to and probably never saw.

The Hookers all going on well - Hooker
is now a grandfather. Harriet Dyer

having a daughter

Yours ever sincerely

George Bentham



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