

Wilmington Del. March 16th 1882

My Dear Dr. May

Mrs. Cauley and I send our very warmest thanks to you and Mrs. May for your kindly sympathy. We really feel that it is a great misfortune that threatens us but I fear that I may have conveyed, in my note to Sargent, an impression that the trouble was somewhat worse than the facts warrant. The oculist tells me that he has but little hope of saving one eye but is going to keep Mrs. Cauley in the dark, mostly, for two months more. If there is no improvement he will give it up and then the remaining eye - allways weak - must be used with the greatest care

lest it fail also.

So you see that it is not and may not be total blindness though bad enough.

You add kind deeds to kind words and I am very grateful for your offer of the specimens. As I do not like to be away from home any longer than can be avoided I make the suggestion that the box be sent here at my expense. I could quickly select what I might need - which perhaps would be few - and then forward to Phila. Acad. adding some of my own duplicates. But if this does not meet your views I will try to go to the Acad. to select.

Mr. Cauley writes with viciniflectionate regards to dear Mrs. Gray and yourself

Very sincerely
Wm. Cauley



Canby, William Marriott. 1882. "Canby, William M. Mar. 15, 1882." *William Marriot Canby letters to Asa Gray*

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