

~~Had more anything like a large Harborium on this coast
of New England? I have seen one or two, but all so
small and isolated.~~

There are quite a number of grapes
along that N. Road, of which
I secured but few, but I
have seen enough to convince
me, that our grapes need a
most careful attention and
prolonged study. It is a pity
that Prof. Thunber will not
so much, will not co-operate! Well.
Col. Mauns is helping me some
and so I expect to do something
at least.

(N^o 6124 of my plants given as *Vitis rigida*.
doubtfully at the suggestion of Prof.
Thunber, Prof. Mauns makes it *Cima*
Marrowra Heath. (See Steudel's)

I hope to hear soon from you
wishing you merry-christmas
and the very best of health

I remain
Yours
most respectfully
Henry W. Blodner

San Francisco Dec. 23. 69.

Prof. Dr. Asa Gray Cambridge Mass.

My dear Sir,

Your kind letter
of Nov. 25 has been received. I rejoice
hearing once more from you and I
fondly hope that I may have the plea-
sure now of hearing quite often from
you. I hope your journey has been
a success in clearing up doubts
and intricate questions concerning
the Botany of our state.

You will have the kindness of pay-
ing from the money in your hands
Mr. Westermann & Mr. Steiger
New York as soon as they send in
their claims.

All you say about our late friend Mr. H. Mauin is correct, all the money in his hand was paid up. The last few dollars were paid by his brother & Brigham to Westermann.

We, Dr. Kellogg, Harford & myself have on hand quite a large collection of plants, we will send them soon to Smithsonian.

My Summer-vacation was spent in collecting at Lake Tahoe and Donner Lake, also at Bear Valley opposite the P. R. R. Station

Emigrant Gap. (3000 f. alt.)

I collected some very interesting plants on a trip from Bear Valley north to Eureka-South high up in the Mt^s. I wish they were already in your hands. Harford went to Oregon and Dr. Kellogg spent his entire

Summer till late in fall at Long Valley, Little Bear Harbor on the Coast Range. In fact he went over my old ground that gave so many a new species. Besides collecting new species, his object was to procure seeds of the various annuals for Thompson. We have a fine lot of *P. Whitneyi* Gray and other valuable plants. Will send you some for your own use; mine are already nicely growing.

Sent you a few days ago a little shrub collected at Bear Valley about 5000 f. alt. (on rocks) this fall (September). Having been there during June and the first weeks of July I could not resist the temptation of going again in Sept.



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