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Prof. Dr. Asa Gray Cambridge Mass.

My dear Sir,

Your kind favor  
of Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> has been duly received.  
I thank you for the information.

I can well perceive that a monograph  
of the genus *Eriogonum* keeps  
you busy. They are in their native haunts  
beautiful plants, but hard nuts to  
crack. I sincerely hope you will delay  
printing until you have seen those  
of my collection.

The collection is ready to go. Would it not  
be well to write to the Smithsonian  
to instruct their agent here to forward  
those boxes at once? They are very slow  
now. A box of cones for the Smithsonian  
was four months on the way.

Westermann & Co sent me the received  
bill long ago. Steiger's bill is small  
and will be presented soon.

I am glad to hear that Gen. Munn  
has began in good faith to work up  
Prayes. I shall write to him and  
send him duplicates of all in my  
possession. The enclosed spiculeps  
came very handy, the identical form  
I discovered this summer at Bear  
Valley at about 5000 feet alt. This  
was for the first time that I met  
with it on the higher Sierras.

Next week I will spend at  
Sonoma and my summer vacation  
along the western slope of the  
Sierras along the H<sup>H</sup> Road. These  
localities are quite interesting.

A few days ago I received a letter  
from our friend Lesquerelle; he is  
improving and thinking already

of the study of Calif. mopses.  
I sincerely hope it will be so;  
for he is remarkable for his prompt-  
ness. Mr. Sullivan did not  
write; he is however at some  
of my mopses. The drawings of  
the 19<sup>th</sup> Vol. of his Scenes are  
nearly completed.

My school keeps me unfortu-  
nately so busy, that I can do but  
little field work, except during  
vacations.

Hoping to hear soon  
again from you

I remain  
Yours  
most sincerely  
Henry W. Boller.



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