

It will be quite in your
way, and I would rather
you showed it than any
one else.

Mrs. Gray is pretty well and
sends affectionate regards. She expects
a little visit from the Stippins soon
when the Natural Society meets at
Cambridge.

I send you two photographs for
you, of botanists whom you will
know. Kind regards to Mr. Tandy.

By the way, I may as well
mention that Dr. Darlington told
me that he had arranged that
certain letters &c. of Baldwin's - which
he could not print - as they were
sure or more all - should come
into my possession after his own
death. You will probably know
if any bundle of papers is left,
directed to my charge.

Ever Yours very
affectionately

Asa Gray

Boston, April 30, 1863
My Dear Mrs. Jones.

Hast-day, after church
I got a bit of leisure,
and, if it were not for a
rheumatic shoulder - a new
thing for me, I might write
up a number of letters, I
will at least thank you
for yours of the 27th. It means
you mailed by our good friend
Miss Morris had apprised me
that our venerable and excellent
friend had gone to his rest.
Your whole account, especially
of the funeral, interests us very
much.

I had sent some while
ago, and to Miss Morris that
I had a single sad loss
Darlington's, and should like
to know if Dr. D. was in con-
dition to be interested in it.

But she thought the time
had passed for that.

He was a beautiful
man, and his memory will
long be venerated. We at least
shall not forget him.

Twenty years ago he had
sent to me his selected
epitaph, and had discerned it.
It is natural & characteristic.
I should take an interest in
seeing such an inscription on
his tombstone. But, ~~as to~~
now, I should not fancy such
an one on my own. I should
select rather some simple
line of Holy Script, expressive
of the Christian trust and
faith, such as our friend
Died in.

I had lately been writing
brief notices of several of our
brethren to ~~for other~~ declared
for the May no. of Sill. Mr.

(as you see. I mail a copy
just received); and at the
time I felt that they
probably would not be pub-
lished before there would be
another and more distinguished
name to add.

I shall not wait for the
year to come round, but I
hope to draw up a brief
tribute to his memory
for the July no. of Sill,
Journal, so I should be
much obliged to you for
the dates and other partic-
ulars you kindly offer
to furnish. I hope that
anthology which you
are so fortunate as to
possess is of such a char-
acter that it may be
printed, and that you will
give it along with a little
memoir from your own pen.



Gray, Asa. 1863. "Gray, Asa Apr. 30, 1863 [to T. P. and I. B. James]." *Asa Gray correspondence : letters from Asa Gray to various individuals*

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