

an flat.

Under the name of Ribes aureum  
Pursh. I believe two species are  
confounded; one with red-petaled  
very fragrant flowers, and dark  
purple, edible fruit; and one  
with flowers all yellow, and  
perfectly scented, the berries  
clear amber color, insipid  
to the taste. There is a difference  
too in the shape of the berries.  
The yellow berried is the only one  
I have seen in Cal. and is the  
more common in Colo; but  
I have never been able to get  
sufficient material for a good  
study of the plants, since I began  
to doubt their specific identity.  
I am collecting in the vicinity of  
Yreka, very diligently: have  
already made specimens of over  
300 species; shall have perhaps

6, or 8 sets. A valued correspondent  
in Austria begged me to procure  
if practicable, plants by the hundred  
for three or four friends of his  
who want to pay for them in  
gold. I never sold a specimen  
in my life. Pray tell me what  
I ought to ask per hundred?  
if I have by and by several hundreds  
for each of those gentlemen.

I dare ask you. — What has  
become of Mr. S. Y. Olney? Do you  
know? I have not heard a word  
about him for three years, almost.  
If you tell me he is alive and  
well I shall write to him. I  
have Canicas and other plants  
for him, but he has had no  
letter for nearly three years.

With many, many thanks & you,  
and to everybody else to whom I am  
indebted for this magnificent book  
I remain sincerely yours,

Edw. L. Greene



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