

would not wait for more corrections, nor for a list according to the nos. He evidently wanted to get done with this vol. Well: his work has broken the ice and opened a free course for Cuban Botany, and in view of his short coming and the whole state of the case, and the desirability to have justice done to the observations & collections of the "collectorum large principes", as Mr. Vay fairly calls you: - take this as my special advice.

Consider it the work of the rest of your life to get up a Flora Cubana in an swed.; the characters in Latin - which any Spaniard can read (I guess); the obs. and all the rest in Spanish. Tell your friends I say it must be done. And what help they will

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gladly offer will, with the sole, cover all necessary outlay.

So make your collections & notes in view of this. - Stay as long as is necessary, & then come & set down to the work here. - an agreeable & useful occupation for your declining years, and fit your name indelibly on Cuban Botany.

There are lots of new things yet in Cuba! and Griseb's work only just puts you in condition to appreciate them; and - tho. we can get his help when wanted - you can now do very well without him. Go in for it.

I have just seen Mrs. Clarence; send best regards.

Secundaca, & all other men, of corrections; any with

while to secure our might be
noted when I notice Griseb. Cat.
in Sil. Jan.

20 or 30 copies, which I
am to sell for Griseb. Cat.,
\$1— are of his Cat. are
on the way to me. As soon
as they come, I shall copy
off my corrections of no. from
the copy in loose sheets, and
have that interlined & bound
up for you, — and send with
what ever else you have ordered
by Express by Boston Havana
Steamer. And with them the
whole batch of Australian
seed for Dr. J. J.

Aspidistra cymbarifolia, no.
2962. When the fruit 3 inches
long & 1 inch thick comes from
I know not, my specimen has
no sign of fruit. Probably a
misprint for linea (line).

Gather all Orchids, now &
if you possibly can for Reich-
bach; who says he will
pay well, & will be very useful

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Cambridge, Mass 22nd June, 66.
My Dear Wright.

Now I am going to reply to
yours of May 7 (~~the last from~~
~~you. I think.~~) & June 2,
having am now or so to-day
on account of "Class Day".
You will excuse brevity, as I
am all worn out.

As to the Naiad, one is of
Course Thalassia. (which I
see Griseb. has not from
Cuba; how little he gets
beyond what comes from you)
The others are of some genus
I can't make out in Endlicher.
Suppose you call it new.

The enclosed to Alex. J. Aguirre,
is delivered.

I have received the end of
the sheets of Cat. Pl. Cuba,
& the title & preface (2 pages!).
There are only 301 pages. Griseb.

I have not yet got through
the *Mnospitola* in laying
out & collating my set of
your plants. I can do little
till middle of July,

~~Griselin~~

Reichenbach (Hamburg) &
Andersson (Stockholm)
both have had sent
to them such incomplete
sets as there were of your
collection (so that there is
little left in hand), and want
all there can be to aug-
ment ~~them~~ in the future.

Andersson takes the duplicates
also from *Griselin's* surplus.
I tell them to cut up fairly
with the duplicates & pay for
what they get in decent style
at £2 the lb.

I shall in a few days remit
\$100 more to your brother,

Ever, dear W. Linn
A. Gray

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Hereafter, when *Orchids*
come to be studied, I have
promised for you. And I
believe much in Reichen-
bach, tho' he is a saucy
fellow.

Harvey is dead (June 15)
and now also ~~at~~ Griselin
Greville, of Edinburgh.

Short letters to you.
A while ago, you wrote
that your feared letters
addressed to you were
intercepted, and I think
you advised me to leave
your name off the
cover. At any rate,
this was the obvious &
safe course. For letters
to a well known and
respectable mercantile house

like that of Mr. Miles & Co. could not be expected to be tampered with. It was in that supposition that I felt safe in mailing to them the photographs, and I still feel that they must have gone safe, and are kept for you in Havana.

But now you ask to have your name on the envelope - So it shall be.

But what does this mean, ^{Marritz.}
"And Mr. Marmith writes me, 'We put our letters into the P. O. when directed to our care.' So it apparently remained in New York, or somewhere else."

It puzzles me ~~altogether~~, wholly. What remained in New York? and why? - And

Dr. Miles & Co. dislike to have letters directed to their care - and decline to forward them? Or do they forward to you only by private hand, not through the P. O.?

I am anxious to do the right thing - when I know how.

I am glad you are so well & hearty.

I shall get over my hurry-scurry - coming in a week or two more. But I have to lead too hard & unvarying a life. Mosquitoes are nothing to it, nor fleas. Mrs. G. is a good deal worse too - And regards.

I have no copy left of my first notice of climbing plants.



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