

Forwarded to you

Santiago de Cuba - Oct 17/59

Dear Dr.

I came here this morning and my principal business being to get money I spoke to two or three of the principal houses on the subject. The result is that now it is impossible to get any money on that "letter of credit" or whatever it may be called. So I send it back to you. One firm objects to its age - now nearly a year from date. Another says the firm of "Morrison Bros" has been changed. Moreover it appears to be not a letter of credit but a recommendation to the firm & a solicitation that they aid me in getting money. True I got some by means of its counterpart before. But there is a "crisis", now in Havana & every body here is afraid of every body there. Mr Bradford generously relieved my present necessities by voluntarily offering to supply me with what I needed - so I took two doubloons gratefully. And now my future movements must depend upon your promptitude in sending me means of travel.

One gentleman advises me that you deposit with some house in Boston which has business connection with some house in "this city" not Havana any sum you think necessary (I would say not over \$200.00) subject to my order here. I don't know any better plan - if you do adopt it. You will have to hunt up this business

connexion too for I can't. Sallies Manfrotoll & Co
are winding up & from the observation of one of the
house of Brooks & Co. I infer that they don't want
to transact such small matter, or for some other
reason don't want to act in this manner.

I suppose by means of your friends in Boston
you can find some house then which has some
direct pecuniary connexion with some house
in this city & if so nothing seems to me easier
than to supply me with money in this way. But
I am not at all particular and any way
will serve me so I get the money. I ought
to have attended to this business before my
friends had run so low but it is now too late to
retrieve this neglect. You will get this probably
early next month if not before. I ought to be
able to have the business well arranged by the
end of it. That will do.

I am informed that the Brothers had a quick
passage to N. Y. This is some satisfaction but
it don't quite relieve my anxiety about my
plants for I think I remember seeing a hole in
the head of one of the hogheads. If that hole were
low & heavy seas were shipped injury to the plants
might well result. I hope you are enjoying
more quiet & comfort about them than I am
I shall in future adopt a different plan & send
them off in smaller parcels as I collect them
& of such dimensions that they can be boxed - if
I have fine boxes to put them in

I consulted Mr. Bradford as to the best time
& place to cross in the prairie region. And
he gives Jan. & Feb. as the best time & the Holguin
region as the place. I shall want some paper
stoppers but I hardly know yet where to have it
sent. I think I shall have enough left here to
keep me busy some time wherever I may go till
I can order more sent on. Between now & Jan. I
shall take a peep or two into Loma del Gallo &
Nimanima & then be ready to go to Puerto Prin-
cipe or such other place as may appear more
convenient to the prairie country - Meantime
do your best to get me out of the breaker into
deep water & oblige

Yours Truly
Chas. Wright

P. S. I had nearly forgotten to say that the firm of
Bressler & Gerandy have dissolved partnership. Please
write to me under cover to George Bradford Esq
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