

Monte Verde May 17th 1860

Dear Dr. [unclear] we are now returning
home. As I am writing home I slip in a line.
Since my last was written so very long ago I have
been "dilly-dallying" as heretofore. One day I went
to Palenque where I found a Rattaceous bush the
fruit of which calls to mind our *Ptelea*. The leaves
(simple) are serrious but not pellucid-dotted. I
found also plenty of fl. of that *Cnemidophorus* with
large fr. which puzzle me so some eight or nine
months ago. I secured specimen^(tr.) of a *Daphne*,
small tree which I had not before seen & a *Cassia*.

I sincerely hope the money business will be settled
before this reaches you nevertheless I want to add
to what I wrote before a word or two. When you
sent last year through Townsend you deposited
the money with them manifestly the proper way
I can't account for your idea that the N. Y. house
would run about the city hunting up that \$150. It
would probably lie at Westermann's till doomsday
before Pillon would go for it unless he knew it was
due him & he wanted it.

In your last you forgot the good resolution
you had taken in a previous letter that you would
quit digging your spurs into my ribs "If they
not go round in the steepout if you can't get a row
He manage to get a row when that cash arrives
I hope you will send the other \$150 through the
Boston house (I wrote for \$300 in one of my letters)
I think by waiting 3 weeks for an answer to a
letter you ought never to have written you fairly

had yourself open to the charge of dilly-dallying
~~I think~~ Caution is a good thing but you seem to be
cautious overmuch when you are handing my money
If I only had those cattle Baird was to send me months
ago & a wanton mind leaving alone the plateau a little
however I hope things will come right yet ~~by & by~~ all
the best

Yours truly C. H. C. ~~On the 1st night~~
and the next morning I went to town to get some
I. Lett's - brother we had dinner at his house
The brothers both of them are now married
one of them is a widow & the other is a widow
but has a son & daughter & one cat which
is said to be a fine dog. We had a good time & then
left it there until noon it was so warm
that it was a pleasure to go out & walk
as well as have a cool drink. When I
arrived home Grandpa & mother were back home
so we had a nice meal with them & then went up
to see what John's map of town was like
It is so flat after you leave the city walls and towers
are not numerous & the buildings are low
now it went to return to the town again with
John.

John has the map of town & has some of
town map but not complete. John's is about two or three
feet long. This is the first map I ever saw
in town. John says it is a good one & that
it is good for a town of its size. It
is a good map & it is well done & well
done and in the position of things
is not very bad. It will never be
of much use to me but it is a good map.



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