

Monte Verde Oct 24th 1861

My Dear Dr

There is a vessel - the *Inca* - at
Guantanamo. I have packed up all
my plants - 10 good bales - and shall
take them down in a day or two for
shipment. There is besides ^(Guantanamo) now there
the coll. from Mayari & summer before
last. The packages are marked "B. Wes-
Sermann & Co Booksellers &c." So you
will know when to send for them on the
receipt of my letter. The distribution of
them will keep you out of idleness I ex-
pect. It seems to me we ought to have some-
thing more from Lind. by this time.

I am afraid if anything comes
from Vator it will be just in time
to be of our benefit - after I am off
for Habana when I am pretty well
resolved to go as soon as the road
become passable. They are horrid now
But the rains are ceasing apparently

During my last excursion in Monte
Toro I found a new Lythraceous
plant - new genus perhaps - certain-
ly different from anything in Endl.
I enclose a scrap & you'll get plenty
when you get the rest. I would call
it Gynoriopsis collaris. It is a
bush 15"-20" high. I've seen but
one. Then is a similar looking bush
abundant enough in one locality
low down on the Yaceras river -
but I incline to think it is not
identical. The spec. are packed up &
I could not compare. Neither is in spec.
The accessory leaflets, ^{of the last one found} form a sort of collar
slightly lobed & reflexed. Dry before
boiling. I take my coll. to the Sal-
tader. I will then add whatever
may be necessary to say further in
a P.S. Yours truly Chas Wright

P.S. Could you send a few seed of Antennaria
stramonium. There is a report that it ^(the leaves)
kills cockroaches & my friends want
to try its efficacy.
Nov 30 We have the papers to the 15th of all.
It rains every day "por castano" & the
word are "malismas" that don't express
it but "malisimos" or "infernales"
as I heard it expressed yesterday.
I took my coll. to the village as above.
They will go on the 2nd within a few
days I hope.

If the weather don't dry up soon I
shall grow far on orange & id leuca
Can you send me in a letter a map or
maps of the seat of war? L. W.



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