

When I go to the State of Tennessee and take
-with me the only copy of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee

I wish you would try to become a member of the
 "big ten" either his way or such as he can procure
 and secure them when they have a good chance
 you can send them or obtain a few others
 to supply the place of such as become better
 and worthless. They are a decided lot.
 among the few left in the country

To keep me a little further up or between our next
 will find some sort of time now and then
 can be wanting in the future and that you
 I hope are inclined to write of some sort. Now
 by an "unhappy coincidence" one "have thought"
 Although I do not wish you to be troubled

I have a notion that the President has proposed an
 important office to a friend of mine and to me -
 other applicants in his own name or looked by some
 body else and that he has given it to some one who
 was not looking for any thing of the sort of the
 whole of it and I think all the miserable business
 of Washington he shall have my vote for
 President next election
 Yours truly
 John C. Calhoun

Montana July 9th 1865.
Dear Dr.
Yesterday came yours of the 28th ult. & I was
glad to hear from you. You asserted that you had got
no letter from me - and shut again when on
the next page you acknowledged one of mine.
By this time you will have got another with
some criticisms for Grisebach. I may come
into the opinion of Stokes Planchon &c as to
the merits of the Flora B. M. J.
I can't make a specialty of a set of Bichs
for Reichenbach. He must take his chance with
the rest. You don't know the trouble it would
be to me with such limited facilities for
rapid work to undertake such a job. I want
now to make as thorough a collection as possible
of every thing and the promise that he "will pay well"
has less weight with me than formerly.
I came here a week ago. Prof. Poy had at-
ready arrived "en route" for an estate up the
coast a few leagues i.e. to the eastward &
Gundlach suggested that it would be well
to make out of the party. Poy, employing his
vacation, zoologizing. We were to have gone on
our excursion on Thursday but for some reason
it was delayed till tomorrow. I am staying with

D. Morales and now as comfortably situated
as could be expected in a city. I make assur-
ances in the country & about the harbor in the
anytime I fight musketoes at night. I have
seen only. My collection made on the other side
of the island is in his care. On my return from
Palma sola - when we hope to go tomorrow I
think of adding what I may have, try to those
already or and of despatching the box to you
if you think best you can select specimens you
wish and send them on to him
Morales has been publishing a new genus of
palms. *Gastrocarpus armentalis* Morales founder
on *Coccothraustes* and which is *Boerhaavia*
Lucidospatha Mart. I presume. Another useless
Synonym. The publication is made in the "Reperto-
rio fisico-natural de la Isla de Cuba". Perhaps I
shall send it in though I can not now. I am writing
a little by little some derivation miscellaneas which
I sometimes get at. It is composed of a second
volume in the shape of a letter I may send to my
brother through you if I can find a Boston vessel to
despatch it by. It will be sent & Mrs Gray may get
a laugh or two out of it. If she can find them I can't
promise much of the sort but some truth respecting
ing Cuban manners & customs Government agents

oppressed people may be found in it
Mem. 6-25 A.M. just got my coffee-city custom-
when I go to training I stop at a tienda and take
my morning beverage before sunrise
I wish you would beg of Brewer a picture of the
"big tree" either his own or such as he can procure
and some time when you have a good chance
you can send them on, adding a few others
to supply the place of such as become soiled
and worthless. They are a decided hit
among the poor people in the country

Although I do not wish you to be troubled
by an "uneasy conscience" nor a "sore throat"
I hope an impulse to write, of some sort, may
not be wanting, in the future, and that you
will find some scrap of time now and then
to keep one a little posted up on botanical mat-
ters

I saw a notice that the President had refused an
important office to a protégé of Seward and to an-
other applicant in his own name or backed by some-
body else and that he had given it to some one who
was not looking for anything of the sort. If he
will go on so & kick all the miserable beggars
of Washington he shall have my vote for
President next election. Breeze two half sheets.
Yours ever Geo. Wright



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