

St Louis Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 1841

My dear Doctor

I just learn that there is now  
and probably is still by the time you get this  
letter a friend of mine in New York, on his  
way from Deseret here — he may be the  
bearer of any thing you have for me and  
so much more so as he takes an interest  
himself — Acting Mr G. Schütze suggested  
here. — You will hear from him and his where-  
abouts at Mrs Nanning Hoester & Co  
(the Street & No I could not learn, but guess  
will find it easy in a directory). If he should  
have left before this you can send me speci-  
mens per mail — if they are wrapped up  
in a big pamphlet or newspaper (like your  
new world) and are not discovered — of course  
nothing will be charged above paper postage —  
but if they find it, they will charge letter  
postage — so I was told here on the post office.  
— therefore try it! —

Here the head of this Eupatorium — which may be  
Torrug's resinosum if not a new one — compound  
very leafy few flowers, lower leaves dentate serrated  
— the middle, long acuminate, without teeth  
upper leaves entire, glandulous? —  
I can say nothing about any of the plants

from Berlin - may be that the Company is bad  
names - perhaps the Cardamine also C.  
boninensis. — Some times they make mistakes in  
these gardens - I found a Hedysarum  
called americum there - said to have been for-  
saw from me - and I never yet have found  
a Semenier - in the U. States! — Your people  
is most interesting to me, — I thank you  
greatly for it — Have you got the Cassia?  
I have written to Washington about them.  
Here is it with Torrey's Cassias - if I had  
only a few flowers of each specimen!

Eupatorium alatum Missouri & Akness.  
I have sent you with the plants last summer a strange  
form for the hot Springs, A.K. very small and  
narrow leaves, perhaps different — the only  
specimen I have! Where may it be??

E. serotinum Missouri & Akness.

E. rotundifolium Akness, leaves subpetiolate  
petioles  $\frac{1}{2}$  the long?

E. pubescens 5 flowered heads!

E. album Akness

E. sessilifolium Illinoian & Missouri, rare,

That is all I believe what I have to say  
at present.

Only a few days ago I wrote you a long  
letter.

Our Anyokhi District grows a margin  
of ponds, overgrown places etc. — A. capillaris  
has been collected by Mr. Geyer in Downing  
— open dry sandy wood, under white  
oak.

The marshes I find — your paper —  
without fruit!!

It may be identical with the Arkansas plant  
which has been described by A. Braun, of  
Carlsruhe as M. uncinata and is very  
different from M. vestita — I had seen the  
figure of the — Hooker works — Carlsruhe  
but neglected to examine or copy it then.  
The Mississippi form upper Missouri appears  
according to leaves, identical with the  
Troyan plant — and probably different  
from both Akness & California plant  
Would it be possible to obtain a  
small specimen (with a fruit) from  
Nuttall — Where did he find it??  
Excuse my haste — The mail closes  
Yours truly  
J. G. Chapman

~~Signed~~ W. H. Gray



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