

Gray

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Clapp, *Med. Bot. U. S.* 1852 p. 195: roots used as food by the
So, you see, the use of *Sagittaria* roots or bulbs was well
known, even to our predecessors, the red men

I just get Regel's *Rosier*. His editing
Auride with a number of old world species
shows little critical acumen, but his making
our *Setiger* a form of *moschata* is too bad

In your article in *Am. Nat.* for May you touch
him on it very lightly, but it was probably
wise to treat such gross ignorance or
perversion, which is imposed on the public
as scientific light, as mildly as you do.
Our botanical journals also often require
a hint or something more serious
than a mere hint, even if one
should get the name of a self-assumed
dictatorship; who cares? The question
is one of policy: how can most good be done?

April 22

Dear Gray

I have today sent a
box containing specimens, which had
accumulated for you; also your
old *Cuscuta*, which had been for
years in my hands. I include

a number of Calif. Pines received from
Olander 12-15 years ago. He used to
wrap them up in paper and send them
through the Smithsonian I believe - 2-3
months on the way. Their crowns for
the poor condition they are in. They
were just made and sent to study them,
not for Herbarium purposes.

I am getting well, but have to keep
my limb bandaged yet, can not walk
far (crippled for life?). George is
also recovering, wound healed, is gone
today in the country for a few days to
get country air, and expects to meet
the Am. Med. Association in Atlanta in two
weeks. We have talked of going to Europe
for the season, but do not know yet.

Nothing particular botanically

Yours truly

J. Engelman

I suppose you have to divide with
Sargent, or you keep for the Herbarium
all the pines and cones, such as they
are; I leave that to you,



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