

To explain why I venture to trouble
you with this, let me say that I once
ordered genius papers of a house in Boston,
& they came, all cut in halves - so that
I had to get people here to gum them
together again! I have no knowledge
of the merchant, but he keeps a little
way down Water St.

Yours sincerely,
Edw. Tuckerman

P.S.

I shall have another paper for the
Proceedings of the Academy in the
course of this year. As long as I
am a member I expect to contin-
ue to offer the Academy my observa-
tions & have reason to think they will
be acceptable. I do not propose
to offer any to the Nat. Hist.
Society, and indeed I have for some
time ceased to be a member of that
Association, which for some years kindly
allowed ~~very~~ early publication, but was
never properly a medium for botanists.

Amherst
20 May 1868

Dear Doctor

Thank you for your reply.

What led me to undertake an imme-
diate issue of the Cuba Lichens was
your suggestion that it might be done
by no, referring to a future publication
of the species. I did not intend to
attach the names to the tickets. Lei-
dig's large collⁿ is still in the same
state, Nylander having only published
a few new things. I see no objection
to this way, myself: I thought I could
with entire satisfaction to myself, now
publish the names of 2/3 of the plants
to be issued, - the other third it would
be risking now or left to venture - the
new species, of which a large part con-
sists, not having been criticized, as they

ought to be, before publication, in
Europe. Now can I tell when
Dr. Hylander will get over the
offence my last paper gave
him. It is enough that he
had no good reason in the paper,
& I solemnly say that he has
no other, — but the fact is
that he has wholly discontinued
his correspondence, since the angry
appeal ag^t my unfortunate memoir,
& left the various business matters
between us, with a large balance
against him, wholly without settle-
ment. So I cannot tell when
I may once more have the benefit
of his knowledge; though (unconscious
of any reason to the contrary) I look

for a letter by every mail.

In this state of things there is
a good deal which I shall not
care to risk the publishing of.

But when the work of putting up
the specimens is in hand, I may
decide to name all, or at least
the new things; writing, which
I prefer to printing.

May I ask you to order the
tickets for me, according to the speci-
men sent, & the n^o given in my
list?

And will you, to prevent the
possibility of mistake, kindly help
me so far as to look at, & take
for me the reamy of paper of the
quality which you ^{sent, and} approved, at
P. C. Jones's, Water St. Boston,
to be sent, with bill, collectible on
delivery, by Express, to me at New. Mass.



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