

I believe you desire me last year not to pay freight-charges as the  
 more diligence was  
 exerted to forward  
 the plants to  
 you for all  
 the kind of  
 trouble you  
 have for me  
 I am  
 grateful  
 1/205 Franklin St.  
 Oakland, Cal. Mar. 25 '84.  
 My dear Dr. Gray,  
 At last we come to  
 a sudden pause, and must send off  
 the plants so far determined and studied  
 leaving most of the grapes for the  
 future. Dr. Vasey has not had time  
 to determine the Thurber package, if in  
 deed, he has received it yet, from T.  
 I have just deposited the box of  
 plants in the freight-house, as before,  
 marked "Dr. Asa Gray, Botanical Gardens  
 Cambridge. Mass., from J. G. Lemmon, Oakland."  
 The freight agent thinks the box will reach you in 30 days.  
 It weighs 150 lbs. and the rate at 6. per  
 hundred makes \$9. I believe the box  
 last season weighed 20 lbs and the charges  
 were \$4. I believe you have not been  
 paid for that advance in my favor.  
 Please add that to this \$9, and charge  
 me with \$13. to be paid out of the first  
 moneys of mine that may come into  
 your hands.  
 As stated, this distribution is a heavier  
 one and includes some 33 packages of

Info - on our next meeting - no more  
 our pleasure now - copy

the new Synopsis - done with the new Synopsis - are nearly or quite done with the new Synopsis -



which I enclose a memorandum.

In addition to the bundles to go abroad I have also put-in some for Dr Vasey and another set he ordered and which we have marked "Smith".

I did not intend to send these to you and for the purpose I provided two boxes but when I had packed in the plants to go abroad they had wedged together and got so close that abundance of room was left for the other plants so I thought best to put them in.

Enclosed is the freight receipt.

I will write to all the parties and request them to await your convenience about shipping, and to do all their correspondence with me, so as to relieve you from the trouble of keeping accounts.

Under the pressure of a strong invitation we go direct to Ft Mohave, (where I hear the Glaucous ocalis undulata is in magnificent bloom now,) then pop along the central Ariz. road stopping off at the most inviting points.

We start in 5 days. I shall hope often to hear from you & Watson. and will have occasion, no doubt, to write you often. Our little mother shows a few symptoms of old age but remains in fair health. She with my wife join in warmest regards to self & to Mr. & Mrs. J. C. Penner.



Memorandum of contents of Box.  
Pacific Coast Plants from J. G. Semon & wife.

{ Boipier 7 packages.  
Barbey 5 "

These to be sent to Boipier as requested,

Copson 5 packages

Dr. Candolle 4 "

Brit. Museum 4 "

{ Vasey 4 "

{ Smith 3 "

<sup>two last</sup>  
These, to be sent to Dr. Vasey, as requested.

Sir J. D. Hooker a small package of desiderata

Total of packages 33.

To fill up space I have added  
a bundle of specimens. Conotia holocantha,  
and a rosette of its leaves of  
Dr. Engelmann's new Yucca macrocarpa,  
The latter from its Chiricahua Mts.  
The Conotia from near Yuma.

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The season opens so finely in Arizona  
that we hope to find more excellent things. of  
which you and Prof. Watson will get early  
remittances.

Good bye.

J. G. Semon.



order and now send all of the species possible. In two or three instances, the specimens sent to you for Dr. Vasey were all that was collected.

With the package I send a few more puzzles, which please determine and the report will follow after us.

No 3109 is of especial interest as it was found in the Ihuadine Mts, in '82 but was omitted before. It seems a *Brodiaea*, <sup>cc. / pilularis, V. H.</sup> but stamens 6 in one row.

The next one (3110) is a lily from the same locality, *Monostylis tenuis*, V. H.

Am packing up all our bundles in haste and putting into boxes, the largest to go to you at Harvard - for distribution abroad as before.

One week from to-day we start for the new ground (to us) of Dr. M. Bohane on the Colorado being strongly urged to come by Dr. & Mrs. Card of that place. Will probably botanize along the A & P. R.R. through central Ariz. during the early season, going down to the Sierra Madre in mid-summer.

Will be writing you & Dr. Gray often, and now both send best regards to both.  
Cordially  
J. S. Permon.



Lemmon, J. G. 1884. "Lemmon, John G. Mar. 25, 1884." *John Gill Lemmon letters to Asa Gray*

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