

Columbus O 28th April 84

Dear Prof Gray

Will you pardon me to come to you again and call for your assistance once more about the work on American money which is all ready now. I sent a kind of preface to Prof Watson, modified from the first one made before his assistance in preparing the Manual. Prof Watson will have nothing to do with authorship of the book. I well understand his motive though that refusal pains me. We have exchanged letters on the subject. That preface sent to him does not suit him either. He says that I am making too much about his trouble, hard work and time lost. Now Saturday I returned to him a preface of mostly copied of the one he had modified and sent to me for approval, and I merely changed the part concerning him which I find not at all satisfactory in regard to what he says of the little done for the work. Would you not please have the kindness to see both copies of the preface prepared by myself and consider what I had best to say in order to satisfy Mr. Watson and

my conscience also. I can not accept without
any kind of remuneration, the time and
work given by Mr Watson to the manual of
the money, and though I think and hope
to be able soon to offer him a compensation
in money, I wish the biologists to know that
part of the work is not of me and that
Prof Watson has tak. charge of the revision
against great loss of time and much trouble etc.

When the Manual or Synopsis of the North
money of North America (I have not yet
fixed the title; could you not help to do it),
is ready, I will still take the liberty to
write you again and express my obligations
to you; for you have encouraged, fostered
and brought out the publication of the book.

Very sincerely and respectfully
your old friend

L. Senguer



Lesquereux, Léo. 1884. "Lesquereux, Léo Apr. 28, 1884 [to S. Watson]." *Leo Lesquereux letters to Asa Gray*

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