Smithsonian Institution SPENCER F. BAIRD, SECRETARY. Washington, D.C., Nov. 11, 1885. Dear Digray: I have an offer from M. Gedney, the same man who printed the Cactacia plates originally, to furnish 500 sets of 75 plates, on the best quality of plate paper, for \$497'0; or, for printing alone, \$26250. I have invited several other propositions, but do not believe that any of the parties will do the nork cheaper than this.

yours truly, De Asa Gray, Cambridge, Mass.



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