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Oct. 7

Near Quincy, Fla. July 24. 1842

My Dear Sir

Your letter of April last has been on file for a long time - I have not been able to reply before having been mostly absent from home - Of the *Flora* sent me I have not been able to dispose of but two copies, although when ordered there were five or six engaged in conformity to the schedule sent out by Dr Torrey & yourself before you transferred the work to your publishers. Two of the individuals flew off in consequence of the increase of price & the rest from the pressure of the times - Of the four copies unsold I will make whatever disposition may be deemed advisable - If there appeared any prospect of better times I should think that as they are safely here it would be the best plan to let them remain a while longer - But unless otherwise directed I will send them to Wm. next winter For the remaining two copies I will settle at the same time Of course you need not in future send but two ~~copies~~ ^{Progs} of the remaining part of the work

I suppose that you are hammering away at the *Flora* - It turns out to be a most unpropitious time for those most interested in its publication

I am all anxiety to see the 2nd No of II Bot
the Curtis informs me that you have a Prinospora
Chapmanii in it - I suppose it is that plant we have
called a Kindelia. ~~and~~ In looking over your account
of Liatis, I do not find any mention of one which
has always appeared to me a good species, & which I
have usually distributed doubtfully as L. resinosa.

I have done nothing in the way of Botany this
season - My hands have been tied with other business.
I however accidentally met with the Ruellia
humistrata, Mx. which to my knowledge has not
been seen since the time of the old Frenchman.
It is a near kin to R. oblongifolia with much
smaller flowers than any other American species.

I remain

As ever

Truly Yours

A. M. Chapman

W.P. I sent you a small package early
last spring & one for each of the Cary's

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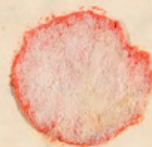
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