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Buffalo, Sept. 8, 1864.

My dear Gary:

I have read Silliman's Journal, &c. I must say it - ~~am~~ delighted - not so much by the compliment of a dedication of the poor little Scrip by you to mine self, as by the kindly, graceful manner of your doing it. That is an honor which I feel proud of - whatever may be the fate of the species.

Leave and see you! That I will, but whether in October or November I cannot now say. There are very many things you can teach me in an hour, which, by correspondence or otherwise it would take me long to learn. And thus I want to see you face to face.

I have no news of consequence.

Last week I spent a day with
Paine, in visiting his swamps - &
wonderful as they are. He is an ordained
minister of the Presbyterian denomination,
and has been prevented, only by his
health, from taking charge of a congre-
gation; and he anticipates not being
at Utica next season, and so wished,
I thought, to show me some of his stations.

He is very amiable, but, like most
young men, somewhat sensitive. I
like him very, very much. His heart
is, I think, in Botany, but he feels
that he probably, that he cannot - perhaps
that he ought not - devote himself to
natural science. I am very sure that
he will carry his energy into his
profession and prove a very useful
man. By the bye - ~~for~~ at the
present, he likes to be addressed
simply as John A. Paine, Jr.

When I come, if ^{I do} ~~not~~ ^{send them} before, I will
bring you a small lot of my rubbish.

Yours ever,

G. W. Chittenden.

Prof. Asa Gray.



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