

Wethersfield Sept 9th 1852

Dear Dr

I reached home yesterday I have been much longer on the way than I expected to be

I received your last letter while on my way in from El Paso to San Antonio It is encouraging to me that of all the ~~different~~ ^{various} packages that at different times I have sent you as yet none have been lost But I have been particularly unlucky in my attempts to send seeds to my brother — yet you think I do love to grumble I hope that Col. Graham has been distributing about to yourself & others were sent to my brother with his ^{holly} knowledge & consent and in his care yet he has not received the first one Now have I not cause to grumble? But never importe I'll be as good natured as I can

The collection of this year were sent by Adams express from New Orleans to Dr Torrey The cactaceae were taken by me to St Louis and turned over to Dr Engelmann We made out about forty species I spent two or three days very pleasantly with the Dr — do you hear from Sullivan? I want to get from him a set of my Texan mosses & Hepaticae for reference so that I may not go on collecting duplicates Triplicates &c. also the same from Tuckermann with respect to the Lichens These will make small packages & can be easily carried and will materially assist me in studying these families

I wrote to Dr Torrey from St. Louis and expected to find here a letter from him but was disappointed I shall go to New York soon I have turned over by Maj Emory's order triplicates of my spring's collection to Dr Torrey - as also Dr Bigelow's Passer's those found on my way in are not divided My reservation I will forward to you if you desire it You can take what you want & dispose of the rest as you have hitherto done I fear however they will contain few or no novelties

Please send me the sheets of such portions as you are working up for publication I saw in St. Louis your account of our *Melodora* (*Beliziana*) ~~the~~ ^{the} ground covered small & very pretty *Gilia* on the hills at Frontiers last spring

Dr Engelmann sent by me two books for you one on the *Scadaceae* the other on the *Orchidaceae*. Shall I send them by mail?

I have been contributing something lately to Mr Curtis's family & have just got a letter from him in form of a report on those last sent in which are some "*nov sps*" some "*tribut*" as he calls them but says "*never mind the tributs I collect many of them myself but they are only to be determined under the microscope*" Write me soon

Yours truly

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