

Charlotte, Vermont.

14, Nov., 1883.

Dear Dr. Gray:

I am grateful to you for the attention you have given to the question of my future work, and glad to know that I shall please you by keeping at my collecting. I am sure I shall never be content to abandon it now. I know very well how laborious is the work, if thoroughly and conscientiously performed; but I do not mind hard work, while my strength is sufficient, and I have less reason than most people to shrink from the peril incident to the border.

I hope to be able to pay my way by the sale of specimens. Of my previous

collection I might have disposed of some thirty sets (instead of twenty or twenty-five,) if I had made so many. If my patrons give assurance of continued support, I shall mature my plans for another journey, - for me more at least.

I wish I knew how to obtain favors from the railroads of the South-west, such as are enjoyed by other botanists; for the expenses of living and traveling there are enormous.

I am glad to learn that the specimens of the Good Herb. are not floundered down; for I do want the portion you have designed for me; only, if I should not collect several years, how should I pay for them? I should help assort the specimens, but it will be difficult for me to leave home at present.

The prevalence of yellow fever along the western coast of Mexico may prevent my setting out as early in the new year as I had hoped to do. This enforced stay at home, however, gives me an opportunity to study Spanish, and make other preparations for work.

Yours faithfully,
C. C. Fringle.



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