

Northem and Central Arizona,
Chihuahua and Durango, or Low-
er California, — and wishing to de-
cide where best to leave my team
and outfit for the winter, I by your
advice. Is Lemmon working in them
Arizona so thoroughly this season,
that I should no longer contemplate
travelling there?

Life in these wilds has one com-
pensation not lightly prized by me;
here I don't hear the name of a
presidential candidate once a week.

Rain falls abundantly in many
parts, and I have yet much to do.

Yours faithfully,
C. L. Pringle.

And Sept 26,
In

Tucson, Arizona.

4, Sept., 1884.

Dear Dr. Gray,

I send for yourself
and Mr. Watson to examine as
early as convenient another parcel
of plants, they bring such of my
collection made since May, as I
do not know.

No. 9 will give Mr. Watson an
idea of the fruit of the Acacia,
which he pronounced indetermin-
ate, when he had only the flowers
sent before under this number.
flowers and fruit are from the same
tree.

120 is a second giant *Cereus*
from hills and mesas south of the
Altar River of Sonora, which
fairly disputes with *C. giganteus*

the rank of the largest cactus in the world. With numerous branches starting within two or three feet of the ground, this is more ponderous in its habit ^{than} that species, though it hardly equals that in height. This has four ribs, usually thirteen. I believe Mr. Darroport has ^{sent} you a photograph; I trust I now have a better! I may be telling you about a species well known from farther down in Mexico. I find it within 75-miles of the boundary. Last spring I brought in a few opening flowers, and sent specimens to Dr. Parry, asking him to look up the matter. This was about the time of his leaving home, and he not have seen them.

143. Samolus; stems creeping and rooting at the joints. leaves rather thick. Mountain Brooks, Arizona.

144. Pontederaca with ^{not} corolla glandular pubescent; would you call it P. spectabilis.

Nos 100-120 come from south of the Boundary; all the rest from Arizona.

I have just returned from a second trip of 500 miles by wagon southward from here through Sonora to the Gulf of California, on which I had to struggle with arid wastes and sands and (rain beginning to fall as I turned homeward) with mire and floods. I got, however, nearly everything I went back for, and a few other plants, among which I hope you may find something of interest. It was the great Cercus which drew me back.

Looking forward to the probability of my coming west next season and taking another field, —



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