

Charlotte, Vermont.

3. Jan., 1889.

Dear Mr. Watson,

Arrived home a few days since from Mexico, I send you in a box by express such species for determination as you usually accept. Nos. 1720 to 1870 were gathered in the vicinity of Guadalajara with the exception of a few collected at Zacatecas, and so indicated; and Nos. 1876 to 1965—were mostly taken in the vicinity of Monterrey or in the Lower Rio Grande country.

I have probably as many more species in numbers insufficient for my forty sets; but I hurry off to you this lot, in order that I may begin my distribution as soon as

possible. The others shall follow as soon as I can put them together with tickets.

I am painfully sensible that you will not find much of interest in my collection of this year, because I have worked ground well explored by others. It happened in this way, — Going first to Monterey and the Lower Rio Grande region to collect tree sections for Prof. Sargent and the Am. Mus. of Nat. Hist., New York, I was unavoidably detained there till the end of August. I would have chafed at being kept away from the Cordilleras so long, had I not felt under deep obligations to Prof. Sargent and anxious to accomplish his work as nearly as possible.

When I arrived at last after additional delays from floods, etc., among the mountains — it was on the 24th of Sept. — I was disap-

pointed to find the season five or six weeks in advance of that of 1887. The mountains were already dry and frosty; so there was no encouragement to go far back among them, as had been my purpose, when planning the journey.

I staid there but two or three weeks, and then did what seemed the best — I hastened to Guadalajara in the far south, now reached by a branch of the Mex. Cent. R. R., and gathered plants as industriously as possible till near Christmas.

I worked chiefly in the great Barranca, because it appeared that Dr. Palmer visited that peculiar region only in June.

During my absence I received scarcely any botanical news, and have not yet found opportunity to read the journals. I hope to hear from you

that Mrs. Gray and all our friends
in your vicinity are in good health.
Will Mr. Saksdorf recover?

Yours faithfully,
C. G. Pringle.

P.S.

I beg to know if Dr. Wittrock of
Stockholm is still publishing
Exsiccatae of Erythrae; if so, I
ought to send him the half dozen
specimens of my last collection.



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