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[illegible] Yours Sincerely [illegible]

Post [illegible]

E. Emmons

Augt. 19th 1828

Recd. Sept. 13th!

Ans.d

Albany Feb 25 1832.

Dear Sir,

I forwarded by Mr George Griffin a copy of the Manual of Mineralogy which I suppose you have received — it is not exactly the book I wish. but upon the whole, the matter it contains is all of it, valuable. There are some mistakes for which I do not hold myself responsible, particularly those which relate to the position of some of the figures. To tell the whole story would be inexpedient. but for the vindication of my own character for accuracy (perhaps you will smile at the word "accuracy") I remark. that the manuscript was ready in May, that Mssrs Webster & Skinner employed a N York engraver to cut the figs, but the first set of cuts were such wretched things that I rejected them accordingly a new engraver was employed, who produced a more tolerable set of figures, & now sometime in July the printing went on. A few of the first sheets were sent me according to engagement. but soon the cholera broke out in Albany. & nothing more was forwarded — I suppose the printing of the ~~work~~ work was suspended. I heard nothing of it for four weeks when behold I received 200 pp of it finished! The gentleman who looked over the proof sheets is a fine accurate man but as we sometimes say is no "judge of pictures" hence the figures in a few instances are out of position. Another thing, the Printer disregarded my orders in relation to the size of the type in the Introduction & it obliged me to insert in

Notes some of the most important matter in the book, viz the Classification. It was my intention to compress the book, make it small & portable & cheap, but in those points I am not satisfied — You see I have made a venture by adopting the Classification &c of Mohs. It is the only way of treating the Science, notwithstanding the many barbarous names. — &c

Another Edition will give me an opportunity to improve & correct the work. Till then I hope you will speak in as favorable terms of it as conscience will permit. Let me hear as soon as convenient from you. Tell me your opinion of it, but do not use any of your sarcastic words such as lol!! funny!! & the like — I am pursuing in my own way the different branches of Nat. History, particularly Ornithology, & have already made quite a collection, but I labour under so many disadvantages, that were it not for a good stock of enthusiasm (which comes on rather too much in paroxysms) I should faint by the way! I have hoped to drop into N. York this fall, but probably shall not as the season is advancing to a cold uncomfortable state. I wish you would call in at Mr Thilton or Mr Pike's & engage for the College a pair of Boy's Reflectors. I shall want them in 3 or 4 weeks. — Do this & you will oblige the College & myself. I am now printing a table of Mineralogical Synonims a thing much needed. & which I will send you ere long. I am also making a Catalogue of our Birds for Prof. Hitchcock's survey. — Some other things in contemplation. &c I remain yours

Truly

E. Emmons

(Prof. Torrey)

I would lend a copy of the Manual to the Library of the Lay Comm if it would be at all acceptable. - -

Dr. Ebenezer Emmons

Oct. 2nd 1832

Recd Oct. 4th.

Ans. Oct. 18th

John Torrey M.D. Prof in

the University of the State of New York

N. York

and

Lecd Aug 10 29 Prof. A Hopkins

My Dear Sir

By Mr Hopkins at this late day have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of a specimen of Vomadinta of Lead for which you have my sincere thanks — I have put up a fine box of Minerals to send to Europe & you will confer on me a favor by directing Mr H in regard to the place & person to whom they should be forwarded — I wish exceedingly to see you & hope to at some future time — I remember with great satisfaction your former kindness & hope still to retain a share & other expression of friendship

Believe me ever yours

E E Salisbury

Mineral Letter for the White Mountains

Western College August 21 1834

I have also put up a small package of Birds — My wish is to obtain 2 or more Stated European correspondents. I think my opportunities for exchanging will enable me to give satisfaction

Recd. Nov. 14th
Ans'd. Inclosed Rec'd 1835

Wms College Nov 5 1834

My Dear Sir

The Bearer of this Dr Morgan of Pownal who has been in the practice of Medicine some 10 or 12 years I believe. He now proposes to brush up his medical knowledge by spending the Winter either in N York or Philadelphia - I advise him to stay in N.Y. tho I know no very great profit is to accrue immediately to you Institution as Supposed Graduates are not charged much for the attendance. yet there is a salutary influence growing out of the thing which is of some consideration. Dr Morgan is a highly respectable practitioner. Any advice to him as regards the best course he had better pursue this winter will confer a favor directly on him & indirectly on me as his Friend. —

I was about writing to you by mail as a note from Dr

M was handed to me by a messenger from him requesting a letter to you - I shall hastily say a word or two about myself tho I have scarcely any time - My Northern expedition I call rather a failure. I passed up thro the Northern Lakes in a Bark Canoe with a Native of the Forest who was on his way to the hunting grounds. I changed my object. I thought I should be able to procure Skins & Skeletons of most of our Fur and animals as well as the more rare bird - A Moose was a great acquisition for our Museum - but I did not get such a one as I wanted - but have a Red Man promise of both a Skeleton & Skin next winter when he returns for which I am to pay $4. I examined the region around Rice Lake & saw many rare things and ~~thought~~ in a dried state unfit for transportation. I hope to make something from my expedition yet the region is extremely barren of minerals - but in the

Lean Plants & Birds or the same Birds are plenty

Next year I mean to visit the White Mountains & Winnipisiogee Lake & some other Lakes in that vicinity for the sake of the fresh water Shells & plants in the marshes

I wish you could take your way clear to come here & we would take my Own Horse & wagon & visit those places which are considered as the most interesting for Naturalists.

I forwarded by Mr Starkweather of Pownal a small package of Mine which I hope you have ere this received. I had no good Exhibits - Any Fault which I can send you will be done with pleasure -

I hope you will find time to shock me a line by mail soon - Remember me to Mrs Torrey

The recollection of former favors seem freshly to my mind & I esteem it as worthy of frequent remark that I know your kind friendship - [illegible] ever

Yours E. Emmons

Prof J. Torrey M.D.

[illegible] on my Crawl. It was written in much haste

Prof. S. Torrey
University of Oregon

Rec'd. Feb 29
Ans'd. March 7th

Williams College Feb 21 1836

My Dear Sir

You well know that friends are of no use, unless they can some way or other serve us. The great benefit of having friends is that they may do us good. I know that benefits seldom often be reciprocal & the great benefit of society are that there may be reciprocity of action. As regards ourselves, however, tho I tacitly claim you as a friend, I cannot see that favors can be mutual. I may be some be thankful, & that is some pay. I may make some equivalent, but probably can never render you the same kind of service that I am about to ask of you. I will tell you in plain Yankee English what I wish, & you may tell me in the same language if you like, whether it is consistent to grant my request & without offending me, whether you answer be yea or nay.

Will you give me a letter saying that I am a geologist & expressing a wish that I may be employed in the State Survey? Mr Van Rensselaer of Albany I expect will, or may possibly recommend me to the Executive & I wish to show him that you are at least willing it should be so. The truth is, I am not a citizen of the State of N York, & expect gentlemen of this who are, will (& they ought to have) a preference over foreigners. But let me take a chance with the rest. - Permit me to say one thing in my own favor as a plea for my suit. & that is, long service in the field. I have visited all the great formations in the New England & Middle states & I think that in Mineralogy I can be of essential service. In this business I am fully satisfied that those only ought to be employed who can make the most of the travels. They ought to know enough of Botany, to know a rare plant when they see it, & the same may be said of Zoology in its various branches. But let me not tire you. I want to have some something or other things but it is so late in the night, it being 12. In conclusion let me assure you of one thing that - come what may you shall be no losers & am successful - yourself & the Lyceum of N York shall be no losers & next to the con... wealth, you shall share in the collections made.

Yours Respectfully
E Emmons

"Inter nos"
Prof Torrey

If you see this night, hope complying with a letter may be addressed as
that I may not as comfortable doubt, & I could
wish I might be favored with a line from you
a page for Williams Island? I should like to give it to company part

Rec'd. Nov 3rd
and. Nov. 15th

Williams College Nov 1. 1836

My Dear Sir

I returned last week from my tour among my fellows I had the pleasure of reading one from yourself. As I expect ere long to see you it will not be necessary to say anything at this time except what relates to the business of your communication. The plants from Mr Darby. I shall be blind to see. I hope you will supply yourself with the duplicates if there are any, but dont take the best!! Will it not be convenient when you come up to Albany to take them along. There is to be a meeting of the Geol & Naturalists at Alb about the 15 of Nov.

I have collected all those plants in my possession which were unknown to me. So has Mr Hall. We shall of course put them into your hands. I left a few at your house about the 1st of August. You were not at home. There was a strange ~~[illegible]~~ Juncitis which I obtained North in the Spring. There was only one specimen at Mac Cobb's Mountain, abound at the summit with Alpine plants much the same as the White Hills of N. H. We were too late this year

We ascended only Whiteface — but I am satisfied there is a harvest to be gathered; but it will require great labor to effect it. No one has ever ascended the highest of those Mts. They are much higher than the Catskills, & to the Geologist they will prove the most interesting of all the highlands in the State, & I presume it will be so to the Botanist.

Another thing, will you not speak to some one of the instrument makers & engage for me a Common Goniometer. I must have one. I may go to N.Y. this fall if it holds out long enough. I can't stay long enough to get the made. Rogers Report & Dana's Mineralogical Book, I want & must have. I have been quite successful in making discoveries, which on another time I shall be happy to communicate.

Yours truly
Most affectionately

Prof. Torrey.

E. Emmons

Dilectissime Domine Jac. Stewart due hoc ut me certiorem faciatis in Sabbato
de Eleuthy. Quia domus Thomæ Hamilton est solum cum Tenentibus
his humanis Tuis fecisti me admirari vehementer. Illaque
tuæ Dominationi ad Tuum Commodum et Tuæ Familiæ
Commodum effecit in omnibus Rebus. Ad Tuam Dominationem et
Familiam Tuam Deus Omnipotens Tuis Temporibus Felicitatem
Dabit. Vale Mihi Charissimus Domine Jac. Stewart Tuus Hos
Jon. Hamilton

John Torrey M.D.
Prof University of
N York

Recd. Apr. 15th
Mr. Cox left before 8 o'clock

Albany April 2 1837

My Dear Sir

I wrote you a long time since by the letter I enclosed with $5.12 in payment of your advance & subscription you made for me by Ship. As you will find it was not on the letter accompanying the box. I am not certain I am right, as I judge only from the handwriting on the outside relating to freight &c. I have detained Mr Cox the bearer of this to call at yr house if his time will permit & hand you this, if not to leave it at the Post Office, in either case I hope you will find time to drop me a word soon.

I shall commence my tour of Exploration early in May. As I had some encouragement that you would accompany me I shall delay deciding on the course of my route for the Season until I hear from you. Dr D. Roy also proposed a journey into my district this Season. It appears to me that a joint tour is quite desirable, it is on my part. & if you will communicate with Dr D. Roy on the subject & inform me of the result you will oblige me. It will be impossible to visit the interior of Essex or the high Mountains until the first of July or at the last of June, as they remain till about that time covered with snow.

The Governor is desirous also of visiting this Mountainous region with us. I wish, in case his private affairs can be disposed of

In case the box referred to above is in your possession I shall be much obliged to you if you will forward it to Albany care of the Clerk at the Montgomery Hall, South Market St. or if he calls on you to put it into his care

Believe me Sir yours
Most respectfully
E. Emmons

Will you be so good as to put my letter afloat to Dr G. J. Brown

Yours
E

Governeur June 12 1867

My Dear Sir

Yours of the 5th was duly recd. I
I assure you I was pleased to hear from you & learn your
wishes in relation to a visit to the North.
I will tell you what my arrangements are for the present. & then
you will be able to judge of the expediency of joining me
immediately. I am exploring the more settled Townships
of St Lawrence Co. I proceed from South to North. I
am going round the North end of the State to Essex, but
do not expect or intend to do much this season except in
St Lawrence & Essex. I shall stop at some interesting places
near the Canada line for a day or two. I want however
to go back to the head waters of the Raquette River or in
that direction. This I can do by procuring a guide & pack
-man. & it appears to me that you would also be much interested
in the route. The Flora of Governeur is not much different

from Berkshire. — The Trillium Grandiflorum is common & what appears to be a Lichnidia, a very beautiful thing. But you will find the Banks of the St Lawrence & the numerous Lakes rather rich — I do not yet see so many Carices as in Berkshire — but I may overlook many things. I have a very fine quiet place in Governeur. I am settled down with my family, a wife, little daughter & Son who is my assistant. From this place I make my excursions in all directions. There is still plenty of room in the house for your Lady & as many Chums as you like to bring. You will probably find me at Rossie if you should come this way soon. At any rate I will remain in this neighborhood till I hear from you or see you. I think & infant. am confident you will find profitable employment this way. Every body is ready to put to a helping hand. I wish you would put up a few chemical tests for mineral waters.

The Governor & Mr MacIntyre wish very much to visit the mountains of Essex & it is probable they will in August. I shall write to both this morning & suppose that their arrangements are. They

bother enquiring whether you would not be of the party. Or had you not better come by way of Albany & see Mr MacIntyre & the Gov & make such arrangements as will suit you. There will be a great advantage in going with Mr MacIntyre. It will cost nothing & we shall have our baggage carried to boot. & our fines & tents made &c. You must certainly persuade Dr DeKay to come albany now for he will not be able to procure specimens of the fish in those numerous Lakes by & by — I shall be much obliged to you for the specimen of Columbiaite — I am much obliged to you for the can of the Bot you speak of. It was received the day before I left [illegible] But you was mistaken in supposing I was impatient to get it. I was only impatient to hear whether you had it in possession.

I do not intend to trouble myself about Dr Beck. He certainly is not taking the course which will be the most honorable to him. He is no mineralogist & he has not & cannot

Correctly

But we understand what he is fishing for. that is to compile the final Geol Report. — — Prof Hopkins will join me in August & be in my employ a month — I shall expect to hear from you immediately in case you do not come in person

Yours truly E. E. Mooney

Benjamin W. S.) 83
June 13 }

Prof John Torrey
New York

Albany Dec 13 1857

Rec'd Dec 16 in Mr. Mather

My Dear Sir

I am in want or shall be soon of the result of your experiments on the mineral waters left in your table — I believe I have left in Winston the efflorescence of the Saline solution but I send for my specimens. I have no means of examination. I must therefore depend on you for the application of tests only you can forward the bottle to me — again I want you to take the figures of those two Marks I left with you — for so far as I can learn there is not a column in this City — or also to make such further examination as you deem fit. The Spite Mill I think will from the above — I shall take up my residence in this city. My family is here — I am settled down in convenient & quiet rooms in Montgomery Hall — What Bills have you here How much do I report to you make? — Tell Dr De Ray that the Vertebra in the attitude of a horse & the hollow tooth in my opinion is the tusk of a hog — yet I believe there may be found Saurian bones with the formation adjacent to Chamberlain's

Yours most sincerely

E G Moore

See last page J.D.

Recd. Jany 11th

Albany Jany 9 1858

My Dear Sir

About 1 week since I wrote you by Mr. Nattie who was to leave the letter at the Lab. I came. From your more than perfect silence I concluded the letter did not fall into your hands. — I wish to know something in relation to the Mint water I left at the laboratory. I did not expect an analysis, but merely the application of a few tests. I wish also the Sp gr of these 2 Minls I put into your hands, & any thing else you may dispose to say. What I then wanted, I now want. If the inconvenience & trouble will not be too great.

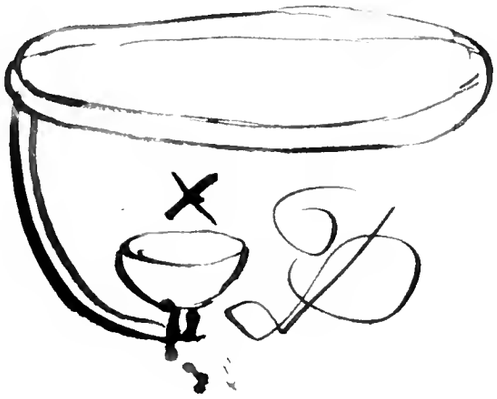
I am requested by the Hon Judge Beal & Mr McIntyre in behalf of an agricultural Society to request you to give them One or More Lectures during the winter on the Application of the Science of Botany, to Agriculture or something like it, or just yourself with a subject only keep in mind the nature of the Corporation you address.

A speedy Answer to all the above is respectfully solicited

Yours Truly

E. Emmons

Prof. J. Torrey



Dear Sir

I have now sat down to write a long letter and am not interrupted in the progress of it. You remarked that my former unanswered letter pestered you one for all I say that that is nuff. You inquire what wonderful things I have said of the coal mines of Pa. Nothing at all. I have not changed a word with Eaton since I went there & was entirely ignorant of the fulfillment to which you allude. I have some singular animal relics which I discovered in that tour. but I never thought they were Rattlesnakes. I wish I could transmit you a specimen. I think I will bring down with me one or two next spring — the specimens I have are not ammonites? I did not visit Orange Co. Professional business entirely prevented me. I shall visit there in the spring. The Elaolite is unquestionably Bronzite. The other expeditions you refer to are not made. & the caution you give me is certainly good, the reason why as you remark that "my practice must be the main stay after all." To be plain I do not know that I shall ever obtain any situation which will free me from the necessity of the practice of my profession. Tho I have not failed in lecturing, & I shall not, but circumstances are not favorable for my becoming a popular lecturer. I have one good friend here who has told me however that he has no doubt but that I shall obtain a professorship. now. nos inter nos. I know if I live it is in my power, provided I use those means in my power. — The difficulty Dr Griffin would say is in not having a gift of the Gab. Before this term closes that objection will be done away. — I will tell you the precise difficulty. It is ~~not~~ in not having good views of my subjects, or in other words is in not making preparation for my lectures. is in a want of facts & information. I have been supplying my deficiency in these respects this winter & when you hear from me by any of my friends they will not tell you I am dull or want animation — quantum sufficit.

Mrs Griffin's accident was not dangerous. only a fracture of the clavicle from which she has long since recovered. Dr Hopkins is very popular & will unquestionably succeed well. Our Cop is great in the death of Mr Noble. The family appear admirably under this unparalleled cop. — I rejoice in the prosperity of your College. If I men in your plan I would visit Europe, if duty called. I shall be in New York in the spring to see your new opening things I hope. Some of the importers of Books will bring out Le Conte's Lepidoptera for I ~~shall~~ hope to get the work. I have now answered your letter in full. & have only to thank you for it & express the hope that I may often share the pleasure of similar favors — I have said some things to be sure in this answer which a wise man would not have said but as I make no pretensions to sagacity your opinion will be merely gratuitous.

I come now to the most glorious part of my letter. & my heart overflows with joy that I can say the following things of Zion. It is not with us as in months past. for God is now working here in the hearts of his Children & Sinners. We have had a 4 days meeting including the Sabbath. & it does appear to me great blessings are to follow. These meetings were full; the people had a heart to give in the work & many have come forward to ask the prayers of the Church. In this incipient stage I cannot furnish many facts, to be ~~aware~~ of the progress of the work of grace, which has evidently begun. I feel no disposition to inquire ~~of~~ the number of converts. I know there are some & many anxious. O if you join with me, pray for us, besiege the throne of Grace, that this may be a perfect, a holy work. & to the glory of God. I my Dear Friend. look forward a few years. & shall we then be enjoying the light of God's Countenance! On those Everlasting hills shall we pluck the fruits & flowers or gather the gems & diamonds? Shall we rejoice in the disclosure of the mysteries of nature & much more of redemption & eternal love? O what a theme, how full, rich, consolatory. Let us strive for a crown of life. Let us however, fear lest a promise being left us of entering into his rest, we shall come short of it. No service so good as Christ's. no Master pays so well. None safer to trust. None ~~so~~ have provided such accommodations as the mansions above. Let us then labour faithfully for him, that when he calls us to account for our stewardship, we may be found faithful. My respects to your Lady & tell her the good news. I fear I have dwelt too much, that I have indulged in anticipations which I shall not realize but will not relent. A revival in this place seems of infinite importance; connected as the College is, with this Society & Church every one must feel, that if revival here is of more than ordinary consequence. I hope we shall have the prayers of your ~~Chur~~ Church. Mention the subject to Dr Cox if it is best, that we may at least enjoy the benefit of his secret intercessions. I will transmit to you some account hereafter the progress of this work as I have no doubt you will feel deeply interested in its extension.

The last of August next I expect to publish another Edition of my Manual. I intend to make a good work of the kind as has ever been published in this Country. & my intentions will be realized provided I can obtain the general cooperation of a few of my friends. I propose adding an Appendix containing a description of some of the most interesting localities in the United States. I shall use a smaller type. give a few localities & add a few wood cuts, & enlarge somewhat the descriptions. The arrangement we mean the same. Give me your opinion in full of these intentions & suggest every improvement & anything which will make the work acceptable. I want Bezeliers on the blowpipe exceedingly when can I get it!

Yours truly E. E. Salisbury

When no time to copy. Consult Mr Salisbury, as to publication

Single

Dr John Torrey Prof
of Chemistry in the University of N. York
New York.

Charles Lanman
(Boston) Jan. 8th 1841.

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Amsterdam July 8. 1839

Recd. July 10th

My Dear Sir

I received from you sometime in the Spring the proposition to furnish me the instrument for the Condensation or Solidification of Capt. Reid's & a friend of yours who is a very clever man & worthy of patronage. I shall be glad to procure one & therefore wish you to order one for me as the letter in which you mention the name of your friend is not by me. Any improvements in the way of simplification in the mean time to be added &c.

I am now going to Jefferson & St Lawrence Co's. Some portions of Jefferson seem to be but rather an interesting flora. Anything that you can spare I shall be very glad to procure from you. You may write me (if you write soon) at Watertown.

I hope to procure at this time some good phosphate of Lime.

By the way Dr Beck writes me that the Eupyrchroite is a phosphate of Lime. Well, you will perceive that my own experiments point that out, but still I suspect & still think that it contains alumina. That it is a phos of Lime & Alumina I have made no examination except the latter on previous to the publication of the Report for 1838.

Hastily

Yours With respect & esteem

E. Emmons

Ask for
Report of Geol. 3rd
also Rep. Regents Univ

Albany Dec 9 1859

Dear Sir

I have taken the liberty of inclosing to you a letter to Mr Brown of Sullivan co. from whom you have more than one recommendation as one who would dig specimens in exchange for Minerals. I found by experience that it is soon than useless to attempt to obtain of American European Specimens. They with one accord send the very refuse of their growing Min[eral]. I soon determined after a little more experience this fall to abandon the project in toto. If you will do me the favor of addressing my letter soon & properly I shall be much obliged.

I have been thinking of procuring a good Microscope since your recommendation & hence should any opportunity present itself by which I can obtain one in your city I would be great to engage it provisionally till I can remit by on the funds. Our Mr Dorsey of Geo was here the other day. In addition to all, [illegible] I need I have exhorted him to call on you, a very fine, clever, working man of quality right stamp. I may be of service to you, in recognizing his location.

I really hope you will give us an Annual Report this year. People will be better satisfied.

In great haste
Yours
Dr A Ketchum
Prof J Torrey
E. E. Salisbury

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Albany Jan 3 1841.

My Dear Sir

I write to inform you that it will not be well for the Geol Survey for you to forward before Navigation closes, those specimens you design for the State Collection —

You are informed no doubt that funds will be required to complete the work, & in order to succeed it will be necessary for each to put up & arrange his specimens in the Museum. We must accommodate the eye in this case & make as much display as possible — The legislature will want to know what the $104,000 is going to. I know that it is impossible for you to come up & attend personally to this business, but you can delegate some one here — My services (under your direction) you may command. What sort of a case do you want? — The rooms for the collection are in a state of forwardness — & fine ones they will be — The whole Building is to be devoted to the purposes of a state Museum — Of the rooms there are 4 below — The upper story is to be thrown into one room & it is sufficiently high for 2 galleries that are to be made — The Beck's formal Report is now printing & the work manuscript & paper is going

We are hoping we shall receive pay till the first of January but there is no prospect of a continuance of pay after that day — I think however that one ought to be appointed to take care of the Collection — make additions &c or in fine, carry out the original design — I do not know but I should like the plan — I shall like to have you say that I am a fit person — My object however at this time is to ~~urge~~ suggest the expediency of forwarding your collection (for navigation closes ~~that~~ that when the Legislature comes together it may be seen that something is done —

Of students, we have one hundred. not so many as we expected, but upon the whole as many perhaps as we had a right to expect —

Believe me Yours
Truly
E. Emmons

Prof J. Torrey.

My Dear Sir

Albany May 20 1872

I received your of the 16 inst but have delayed a day or two the answer in hopes of learning something definite from the Comptroller in relation to pay — & I have been informed that the Salaries will be paid soon —

But as it regards yourself I have confidence that yours would be paid immediately for Dr Beck & the Botanists were paid in consideration of their being non-residents ——

I hope you will come up in the course of the week — Come direct to my house No. 95 Lydia St. — I am very much obliged for the Book — very much — —

We are engaged in arranging the collection. it will occupy a large territory —

The Printers are calling loudly for "copy" no one at present being in the mill. —— ——

I do not know that I ever told you that the Governor has given me the charge of the Cabinet

I wish I might hear from you when you propose being here I propose being absent for a while soon — but should like to be here if possible when you come up —— ——

I remain Yours Truly

E. E. Ruggles

John Torrey Prof
Ll. U.S. ——

My Dear Sir

Albany Nov 16 1842

Your Herbarium came safe to hand. I have put the volume in the ~~box~~ case forwarded.

In addition to this you have a great quantity of boxes which have received in the Spring or Summer. But I have not put into the collection as I have from you would give some direction [illegible] this part of the collection, or you would cut up the boxes into sections — I wish you would say something about it soon —

I am anxious to put the whole collection into complete order before January, to make it as long as possible I expect or at least I fear that it is the determination of the Focus to let the whole thing ~~slept~~ sleep, & that it may die a natural but lingering death, — Those of us who have put in by final & characteristic specimens will regret that such a result should follow after so much expenditure of means. — I wish you would suggest to me plan by which we may still hope to secure ~~establish the~~ a favorable termination of the survey, by which I mean, rather the safe keeping of the collections & additions from time to time as ~~may~~ opportunity may favour — I hope especially you will be able to ~~do~~ send up before the close of navigation all you design for the collection — Tell me soon what is to be done with your boxes, ~~which~~ now on hand. —

We have full one hundred Students, but we have to pay too much credit — Our class is better than last year except that we ~~take~~ are obliged to take more notes. —

Yours Truly
E. Emmons.

J. Torrey Prof
Chemistry &c University
New York.

My Dear Sir

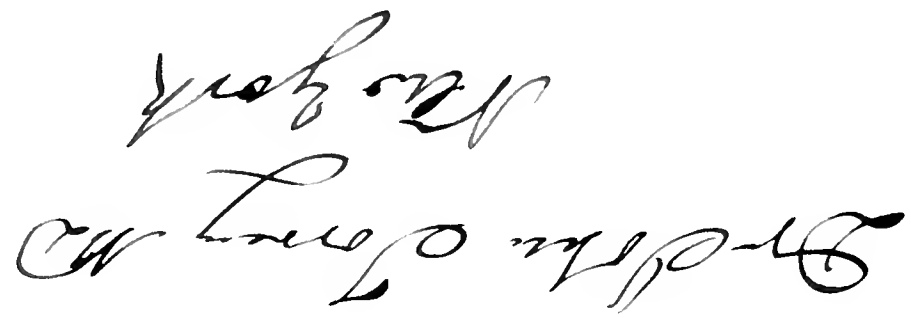
It is hoped that you will furnish to the Gov. elect some account of your collection labors etc. in the form of a communication letter or otherwise — Being determined to carry out what I conceive to be the plan of your department — I have cut out of your specimens of trees — cones & other sections for the purpose of exhibiting the structure — This to be done was unauthorized by yourself — but I believe there is enough left for all other purposes which you may have in view & besides having been cut in the spring & brought home while full of sap & with the bark on some of the logs were spoiling rapidly —

Any more which I can do under your direction I shall be very cheerfully perform — But one thing I must suggest, that you will furnish the specimens of your reports. Otherwise ~~some~~ more than one lady of ~~the~~ valuable will be lost

Albany Dec 24/1842 —

E Emmons

Colo Torrey M.D.



My Dear Sir

Albany May 10. 1843

I ought to have written you in answer to your last, as you then appeared to be labouring under a misapprehension in regard to one or two points. I thought it right & proper that you should know what was said in regard to your report – but you ought not, for that reason suppose for a moment that I attached a concurring opinion – far from it. I thought a confident that you would report details the facts upon which my confidence was founded. ——

I do think you are over anxious about your work & that you will work it over too much, – It is true man of science are fretting men. —— but it is easy for you to satisfy all – I do hope that it will not be long before you will be down upon us – ——

I have now said the principal thing I intended, viz. that your was fully sustained when the weight of your report was alluded during the last winter, —— & I ~~than~~ that feel always ready & bound to make you cause good as far as my ability will sustain it

Yours in great haste

E. Emmons

N. Torrey. M.D.

Prof A Torrey MD

Princeton

N.J

Albany April 28 1846

My Dear Sir

Your favor has been on my table unanswered for a long time, & principally for the reason that I did not know what to say or how to answer it —— I, also did Mr Hall receive a half yearly payment for writing up the report. My position was known, rather different from Mr Hall's. I was appointed that year to the charge of the Collection & supposed that a part of the pay which I received was for that service —

The arrangement with Gov. Bouck was I believe on your State, The only way is to come up & see to it yourself. What I would do as soon as the Legislature adjourns when you can have a fair showing at the Governor, who by the way is a "hard head". — Anything I can do, shall be done, but I am totally in the dark to know how to proceed — & apart from the statement that a precedent was made in paying a part of the persons in the service —

I remain Dear Sir Yours most respectfully E. Ellsworth