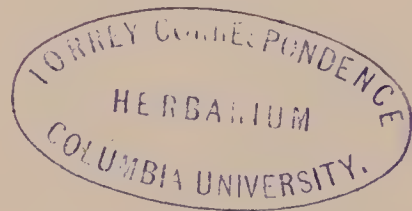


College Botanic Garden

Dublin

Oct 17th 1838



My Dear Sir

I was duly favored with your kind letter
& parcel by Mr Gray for which accept of my best
thanks. The parcel for Dr. Scouler was handed to him
I send this letter by Mr Robert Gray who has resided
in New York for several years & is now returning
from a visit to his relations here. He is an excellent
young man & has a situation as Tutor in one of your
colleges or seminaries.

I have as yet only got you one subscriber
to your *Flora of North America* viz. Simon Foot
Esq^r son to the celebrated Sandy Foot & I shall
be glad to take another copy for myself. I will
indeavour to get you other subscribers.

I paid a visit to my friends in Scotland lately
& left our excellent friends Sir Wm & Lady Hooker
& family well about a month ago. As also
Dr. Graham & other friends in Edinburgh.

Dr Scouler may possibly write to you by the
same conveyance as I sent him word this morning
that I could send a letter to you.

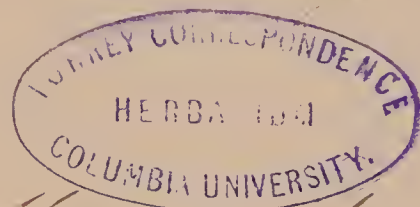
Our friend Mr Kirkpatrick & family are
all well. Fortunately for our late harvest the
weather has been fine for the last three or
four weeks & the crops generally well saved.
The oat & potatoe crops are good - the wheat crop
not so abundant.

I shall be most happy to hear from you
at your earliest convenience & am

My Dear Sir

Yours very sincerely

J. S. Mackay



Mr Gray goes by Royal Queen Steamship from
Liverpool on the 20th inst. The largest vessel
in the world that has ever crossed the Atlantic
she came over here a few days ago on her
first trip by way of trial & has since returned
to Liverpool.