

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. Scudder 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 Fort
Esq^r son to the celebrated Sandy Fort & I shall
be glad to take another copy for myself. I will
endeavor 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 Scudder may possibly write to you by the
same conveyance as I sent him word this morning
that I could send a letter to you.

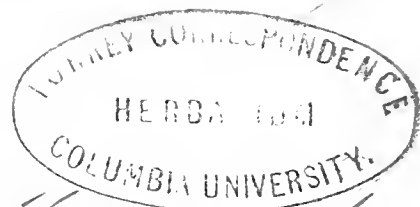
Our friend Mr Kirkpatrick & family are
all well. Fortunately for our late harvest the
weather has been fine for the last three or
four weeks & the crops generally well saved.
The oat & potatoe crops are good - the wheat crop
not so abundant.

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

My Dear Sir

Yours very sincerely

J. P. Mackay



Mr Gray goes by Royal Queen Steamship from
Liverpool on the 20th inst. The largest vessel
I believe 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.