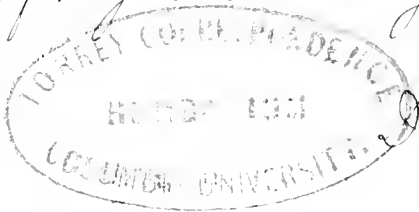


N. Y. Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 1850

Prof. John Torrey M. D.



Dear Sir

I have put up for Dr. Greville - specimens of such species of his list, as I could furnish from my own collection - being 26 species represented by 40 specimens. - Some of these are very rare - others not so.

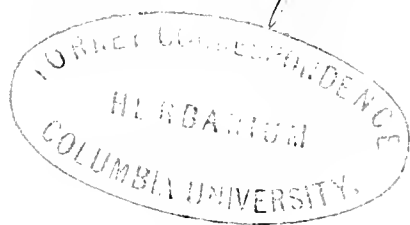
Of the species enumerated by Dr. G., many are scarcely known except by their catalogue names - and <sup>are</sup> to be found in none of our cabinets - except perhaps that of Mr. Lea of Phil., - Others are of doubtful value - or have been so imperfectly described & figured as to be unrecognizable.

Mr. John G. Anthony of Cincinnati - Mr. E. R. Beadle of N. Orleans - or Prof. J. S. Haldeman - could probably furnish many species - which I have not contributed - and the first named two, would probably be glad to enter into exchange with Dr. G., - I have myself but little

time now for exchanging - but gladly do  
what I can to aid Dr. G. - merely asking  
that whenever either he, or yourself can throw any  
thing interesting in the conchological line - into my  
way - you will do so.

Yours Sincerely

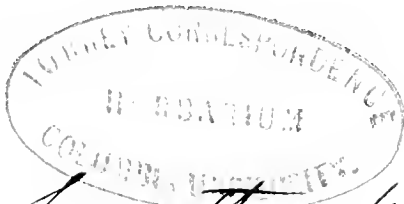
John H. Redfield



P. S. Perhaps Prof. C. B. Adams of Amherst College  
could also aid Dr. G.  
J.H.R.

New York Apr. 10<sup>th</sup> 1852.

Dear Sir



Some three weeks since I addressed you a circular in reference to a work I am about publishing here based upon an English one of the same title "Men of the time in 1852" and requesting a short biographical sketch of yourself, and a list of the botanical works you have pub<sup>d</sup>. in accordance with the specimens annexed. Prof. Gray has already furnished the facts in his own case. May I again beg the same favor from you. May I trust upon your time and kindness so far as to ask you to point out any person <sup>in this country</sup> or source, from whence I can obtain a biographical sketch of Prof. Lindley for the same purpose.

Yours very respectfully

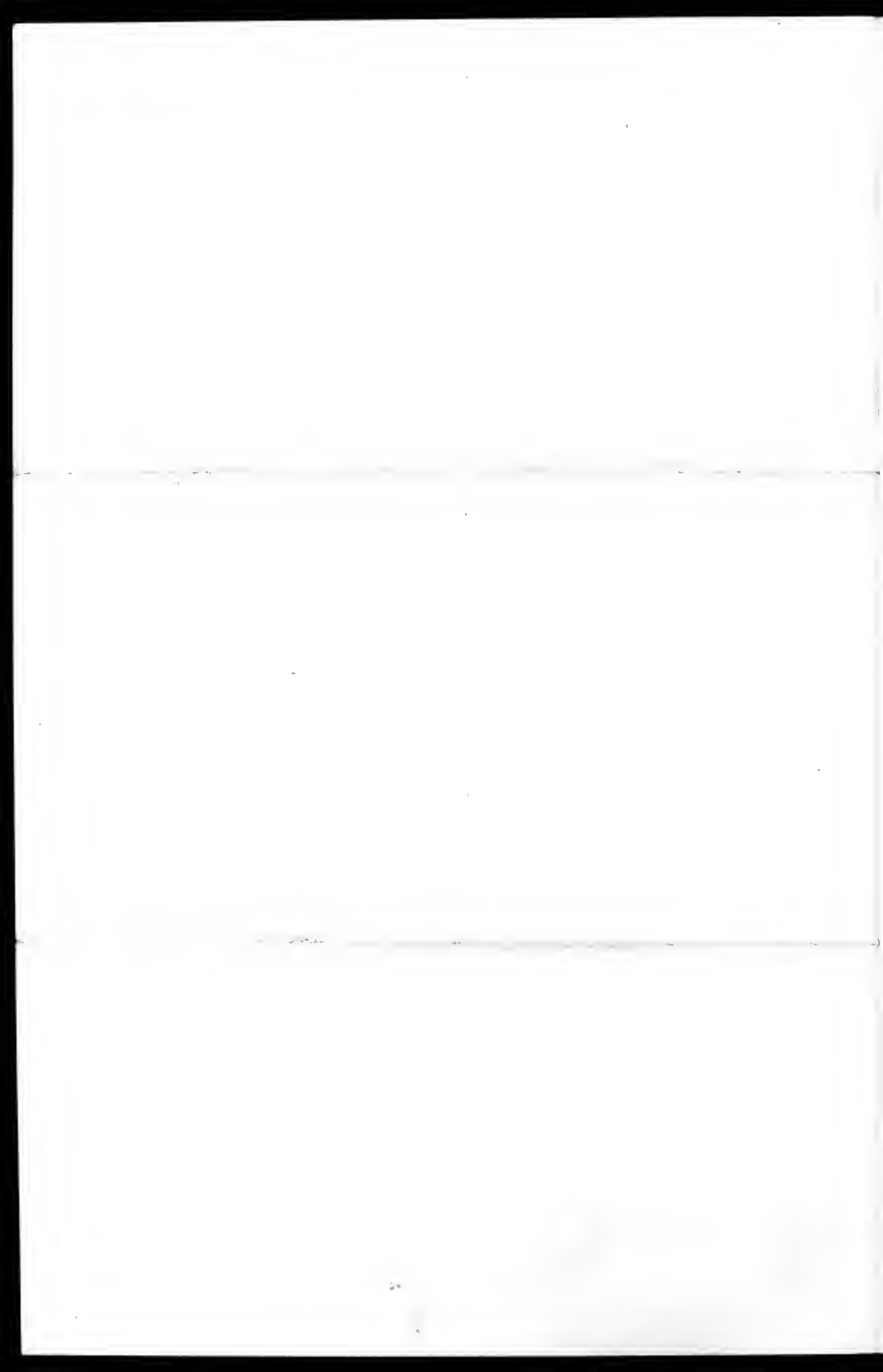
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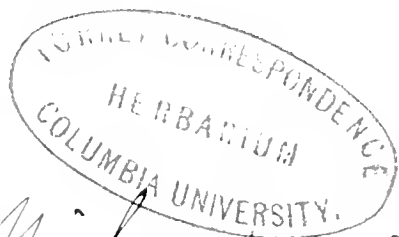
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May I beg your early attention  
as part of the work is already in  
the printers hands.







Phil<sup>a</sup> April 24, 1859

Dr. John Doney N.Y.

My dear Sir

I received your kind favor of 20<sup>th</sup>, last evening, on my return from a trip to Cedar Bridge N.Y. - of which I will speak presently.

In reply to yours - I bought thro' Dr. Gray about three years ago - two broken sets of Wright Ferns - which gave me the most of the species which he collected - though there were many gaps in the series. I might take an early opportunity to send you a mem. of my desiderata - or if it would not be presuming - I would say that such of ~~them~~ <sup>the set</sup> as you have to spare would be very welcome to me - even if duplicates, as I could make them useful. But your kindness has already put me under great obligations to you - which I cannot

discharge in kind - for it seems hopeless  
for me to contribute ~~to~~ any thing new  
to your botanical stores,

The New Garden ferns will be  
most acceptable - & useful as a study.

I should be most happy some time  
to accept your kind invitation - to stop  
over night with you - but for the fact  
that my mother feels that she has a  
claim on me - during the brief visits  
that I can make in N.Y. - But whenever  
my time will permit - I shall certainly  
be glad to call on your family &  
to have a good social chat with  
you.

I finished examining & putting  
away the New Mexican ferns - last  
week, & must again thank you for  
your kindness in contributing so many  
new & very curious species. I intended  
to write you last week to acknowledge  
them - but as I had the Cedar Budge



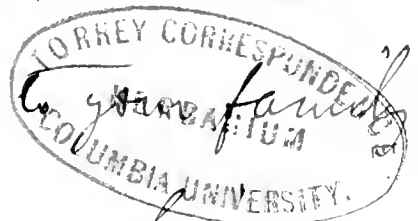
episode in prospect - I concluded to wait -  
in hopes of being able to send you on my  
return - specimens of Cocema bonradii

In company with a friend well experienced  
in Jersey botanizing, I reached the place  
at 2 P.M. of Thursday, & left at 7 A.M. of  
next day. During that time we scoured  
the neighborhood thoroughly - examining  
all the high ground within a mile  
or two each way. We found two  
patches of bare white sand - cor-  
responding most accurately with  
the locations given in your paper  
in Ann. N.Y. Lyc. Nat. Hist. IV. 83, and  
I have every reason to believe they are  
the same from which your plants were  
taken - especially as in the whole course  
of our search - we found no similar  
spots. But I am sorry to have to  
report - that not a vestige of the  
plant remains in either place. Whether  
some of the collectors have eradicated

the whole thing - or whether - cows or  
hogs running at large, near the  
Tavern have destroyed it is uncertain,  
but it is safe to say that the  
Coccyzus no longer exists at that  
locality. If it should be again found  
any where in Jersey - it is likely to  
be on that barren sandy stretch #  
crossed before reaching Cedar Bridge,  
or a mile in width, that most  
singular region - has a wonderfully  
Cape Cod look - & abounds with bare  
sandy spots - & we eyed it <sup>from the wagon</sup> very care-  
fully on our return ~~in~~ but without  
success. Excuse this long story - but  
I thought you would be interested to  
learn these facts - about a place so  
rarely visited.

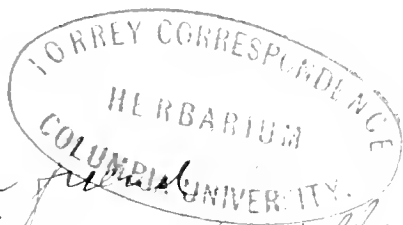
With kind regards  
I remain

Your sincere friend  
John H. Redfield



# That region - really the most "hilly" - between Pemberton  
& Cedar Bridge - & consisting of a succession of old raised  
sea beaches - is called by the natives - "The Plains!"  
I ought also to say, that the Pemberton Mills locality - is doubtless  
lost as that whole neighborhood is now under cultivation.

Phil<sup>a</sup> Sept 21, 1909  
Dr. John Correy  
N.Y. )



My dear friend

I am not willing to delay for one day, an acknowledgment for the bundle of treasures you have sent me. Of course I have had time as yet only to glance at the contents here & there, but that hasty look has revealed many novelties, and since the species seem to be mostly Asiatic - they will be all the more acceptable.

Just now I am pretty closely occupied both at the office & at home so that will be some weeks probably before I can finish the careful culling & examination - of the lot - but my thanks for your kindness in this contribution, need not wait till then, though

I shall probably report to you, then  
more definitely as to the accessions.

Thanks too for your hint as to Prof.  
Calver. I am hoping, some day to see  
him in N. Haven & compare notes.

Towards the end of August I spent  
a day or two in Hunter in the center of  
the Catskill group of Mt. A tramp  
through "Stony Gorge" a deep gorge which  
runs from N. E. to S. W. ~~connecting~~ <sup>affording</sup>  
a road from Hunter into the town of  
Phenicia - I was agreeable surprised to  
find Aspidium aculeatum var. Braunii  
growing there in great abundance? I am  
not aware that it has before noticed  
(in our country)  
a further south than Green Mt. or Adirondacks.  
I had the pleasure of collecting the same  
fern in June in the Notch of Mt. Mans-  
field N. - a deep glen - very similar  
to Stony Gorge - in its character.

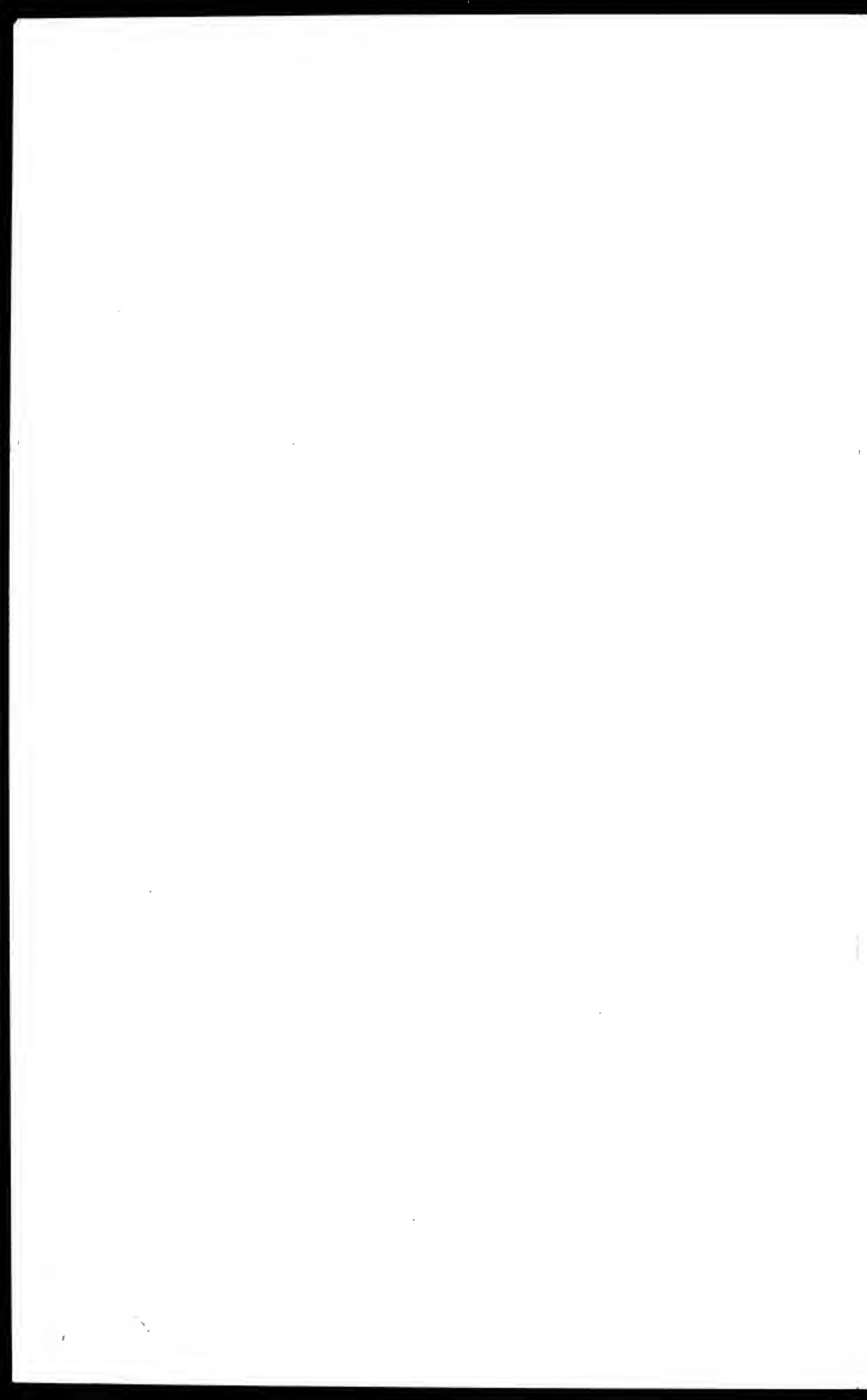
I forget whether I have <sup>before</sup> spoken to  
you of my visit to Mt. Mansfield in

June (about 16", I spent two days & nights  
on the summit - & had a good look at  
the mountain flora, Many of the plants  
I never had seen, in flower & in place.  
The summits are not quite high enough  
to give the real alpine plants - but  
on the "Chin" about 14,400 ft I found a  
single clump of Diapensia - interesting  
thought - as showing at least vestige of  
the ancient vegetation at that point &  
showing the plant could live - & only  
barely live - at that height ~~at~~ <sup>in that</sup> latitude.  
In the higher White Mt. I suppose it  
is comparatively abundant.

Excuse my long gossip, My family  
send their kind remembrances to  
you. Please give my regards also to  
yours - & believe me to be

Yours most truly  
John H. Newfield





Phil<sup>a</sup> Oct 10, 1869

Dr. John Torrey

My dear Sir



The package of Schott ferns with your letter reached me yesterday, and I have looked over the contents with much satisfaction. Your kindness puts me under renewed obligations which I fear I cannot discharge.

I had just finished cutting out & mounting the specimens from the Baw distribution, & I am happy to report to you that I found therein 8 species new to me. Beside this it gave me a large number of specimens representing different regions of country of many species I had before. Moreover the authenticity of names gave all an additional value & enabled me to correct some errors in names

before received.

The New Granada Herms collected by Schott were evidently ~~not~~ prepared with great care; and all will go into my collections, I find on them - 13 more new species, making 100 novelties from you & carrying the total no. of species in my collection (incl. Lycopods) to over 700, (following Baker).

I should be very glad to meet Prof. Eaton & also to be present at the meeting of the Club this month. I fear however that I cannot get over to N. Y. so soon. Possibly I may see you in November and if I can time any of my winter visits so as to hit a Club meeting, I shall esteem it a privilege.

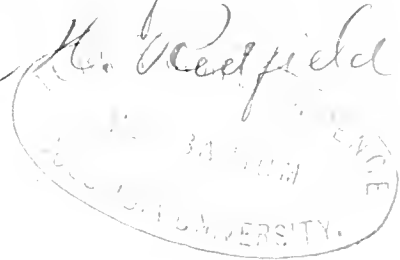
I do not know what I can do for you botanically in return for your favours, You are doubtless

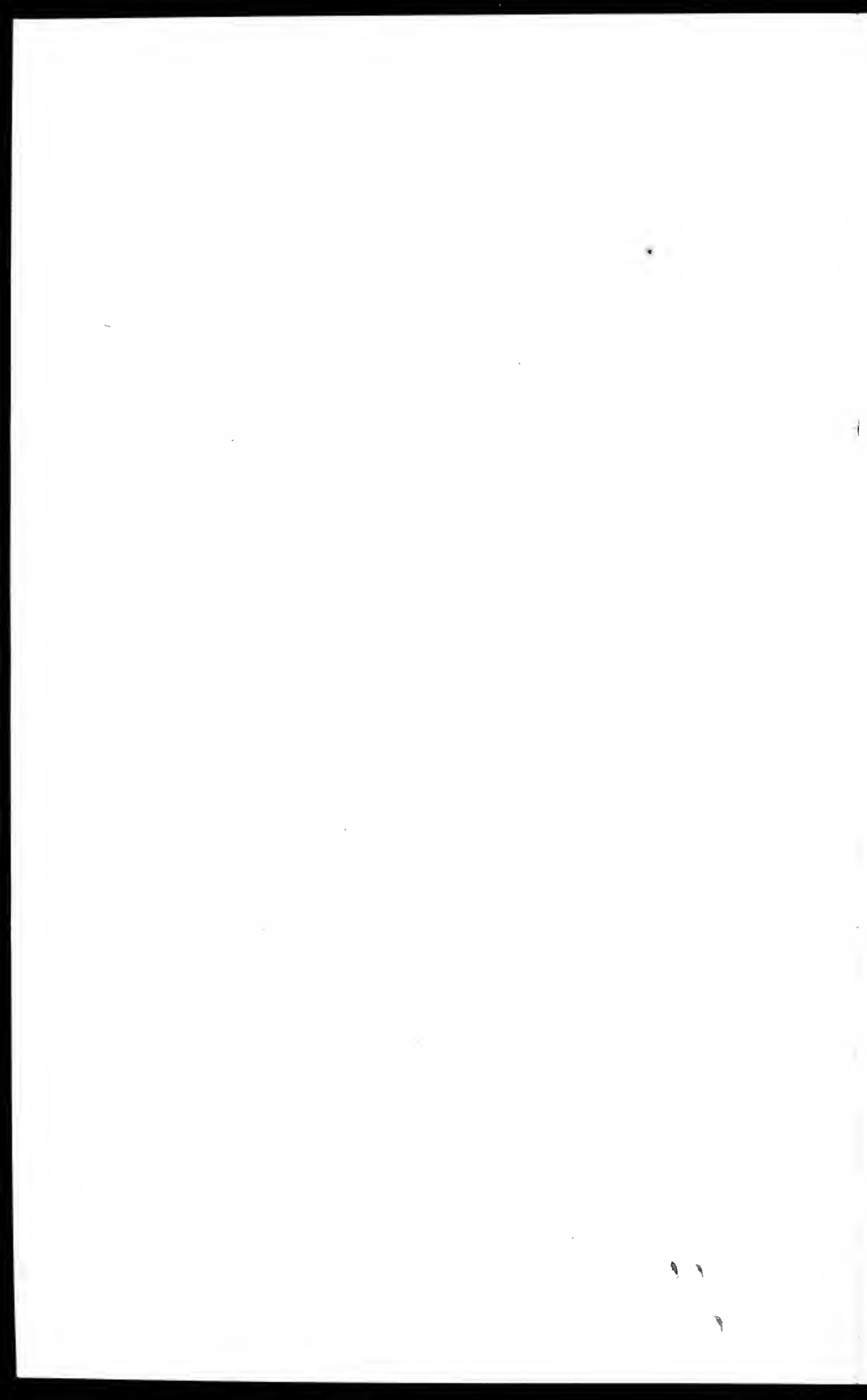


complete in all the plants of  
these older states but if at  
any time there is any thing  
special wanted from this re-  
gion for yourself or friends  
only indicate it - & I will try  
to get on its track. I have not  
leisure for much collecting myself  
but have a friend who is pretty  
much at home in all Jersey  
plants.

My family join me in kind  
regards to yourself and yours.

Your sincere friend  
John H. Redfield







Phil<sup>a</sup> March 23, 1870

Dr. John Torrey  
N.Y.

My dear friend

Now that I have fully completed the selecting & mounting of the ferns of your last Brew package, let me thank you a little more fully & definitely than I could do - during my recent brief & unexpected visit to N.Y.

An unusually large proportion of the species were new to me. I added 32 species to my collection, and of some that were not new - I was enabled to more fully represent the geographical distribution. The Jamesonia gave me a new genus - and a very curious one too. Many of the Polypodi were very curious - especially the dimorphic species - of which I would recall to you P. rigidum - with a sterile frond hardly

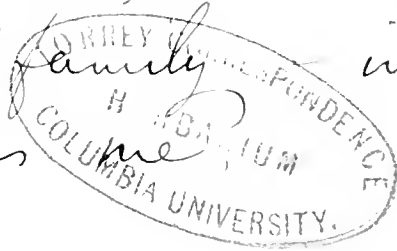
even lacinate - while the fertile one is  
so absolutely & earnestly pinnate - that if  
we did not see them growing from the same  
rhizome - ~~we~~ it would be difficult to  
credit their identity;

I had a dozen or two of southern  
(Florida) plants given me the other day -  
among them the *Sarracenia Drummondii*  
of poor Brown - which was published &  
figured in the *Annals of Lye.* in the old  
days - when you were at the head of  
the Publ. Comm. - It is a very curious  
species.

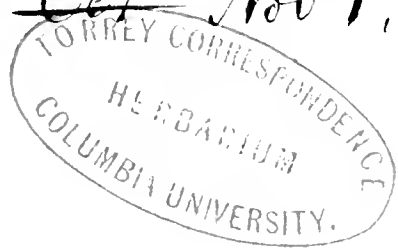
Trusting that you will not forget  
that April visit - when I hope to show  
you some of the region of which we  
are going to make a park, & with  
regards to yourself & family in  
which Mrs. Redfield joins

I remain

Yours Sincerely  
John H. Redfield



Phila ~~Oct~~ Nov 1, 1872



Dr. John Torrey

My dear friend

I have looked over my collections with reference to the localities of the plants you named me - with the following result:

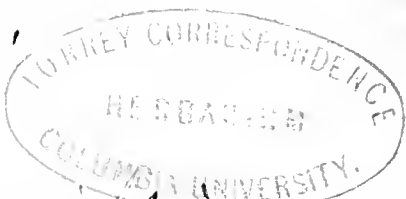
The resinous sinosyrus-looking leaf is from  
Up Sierrita Valley

- |   |   |      |                       |
|---|---|------|-----------------------|
| The spreading Gynophytum                  | - | from | Gran Flat, Sicuan,    |
| " Gultierrezia                            |   | "    | Sal Lake City -       |
| " Eon axillaris                           |   | "    | Rock Creek, Nysning.  |
| " Actinella with narrow leaves            | } |      |                       |
| " tall scape                              |   |      |                       |
| " Gynodelia                               |   |      | Sherman, do.          |
| " Sarcobatis                              |   |      | Sathrop, Calif        |
| " Emotia lanata                           |   |      | Humboldt Stat. Nevada |
| Eriogonum - divaricate & holding flowers. |   | do.  | do do do              |
| Obione round leaved                       |   | do   | do do do              |
| Another Chenopod (return me here will)    |   | do   | do do do              |
| Gilia                                     | " | do   | do do do              |
| Tichostema                                | " |      | Geysers, Calif.       |

Obione sample return of same as usually  
come from } Miser, Wyoming

The ~~leaf~~ Senecio will deeply toothed triangular  
leave - do not find any of mine  
Nor the filia returned without locality  
Nor the rough leaved Creston

I hope these rough hasty notes may be  
of some service,



Returned all right & am in the mill  
again

With kind regard to your daughter  
also to Mr. Leroy. remain as ever

Your affectionate grand  
John H. Reesfield