Rec Jan 17

Davenport Jany 15th 1877

Cite Thurber "one sided reciprocity"

My Dear Dr

Yes that is a lively cheerful letter from Thurber read — laughed over & returned. — If partly the result of Newark cider, we will divide the credit I too am half Mad. (but not as "blue" as Meehan, who is subject to jaundice, which ought to make him yellow!) My trouble is that I do so little; only just get through with Utah collection of 1875 all Lemmons' lying in bundles on Cal & plants still boxed up. — At last meeting of Davenport Acad I was made recording Secretary, which I consented to take to escape the Presidency. I did not want to get into a

Hayes & Tilden muddle.
(I suppose you say Tilton)
But I am determined me
to work straight along. and
your pigeon hole, will be
crammed unless you send
back the Covers.
You did not get into ecstasies
over the specimen I sent you
of Cautya!! No 10, Palmer ???
Palmer is getting awfully
raked down for his last sets
sent out. "scraps, repetitions,
poor common things" &c &c
but he had Nuttall for an example
of which Philadelphians should not
complain. I have sent him
some extracts which will not be
likely to please him, but may be
of benefit — no use to try to
make money collecting plants!!

Jan 15 77

Lemmon at Webber chopping
away at trees. trying to work
off nervousness — partly succeeding.
Duncan has been unusually
lively, but a bad symptom? him
an increasing anasarca of
the lower limbs. to days paper
reports him in a "low condition"
but I have heard nothing
direct, he has given up the
idea of going away in fact
is not in condition to be away
from home. Mrs P is very
anxious and expresses her
anxiety.
I now expect to go East
in the Spring perhaps early,
and spend several weeks in
Philadelphia & N.Y. probably
spend the summer East.
I shall be ready to pilot you

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to Lake Geze and shewing an Acanthobium pusillum Rich!
They are having a dry winter on Cal. dusty in San Bernardino we picked out a good season. The RR is being pushed across the Desert to Yuma will be ready for us next winter.
Palmer at St George. looking up Mormons. Brigham is there & has sent word that he wants to see them as soon as his gout will allow. great mining excitement at Leeds near St George. the Mormons are interested & expect a fortune. Silver will quiet botany for other mining will here is gossip enough for once. – The Acad much obliged to Jes. & for Indian pots

Yours

C. C. Parry

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Rec' Febr 19th

Davenport - Feby 16th 1877

My Dear Dr

Yes, still in the middle of sorting, and quite discouraged at getting on so slow -, the S Calc get untouched! I have Lemmons Sierra plants in sets & ticketed, ready for distribution the full set numbers 272 s/s and runs down to 180, there are but 8 sets. he wants to realize on them what he can - which will not be much, if you feel inclined to patronize to the extent of another $20, I will pick out a fair lot and slip in a few odds & ends. He is now buried in 8 ft snow alone at Webber Lake. writes occasionally, in good spirits but complains of head ache & want of sleep. he is rather sensitive on certain points - but does not

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cherish ill will, has certainly more towards you. I shall be glad when that poor Rocky Mt Abies find a name that will stick. So long to wait!! I still have occasional misgivings in regard to the identity of Abies Concolor Utah & A. grandis Cal. but cant put my finger on the points of difference. You must see both growing & then decide. Lemmon's A. amabilis = A. magnifica is clear enough, and can be recognized both in foliage & bark. The cones of the latter are always much the largest both in length & breadth seldom less than 6 inch long & of a pink or purplish color when mature. While concolor is more slender and greenish. Do you get nothing from Greene on these points?

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Palmer writes from St George busy around digging, sends fresh willow catkins. The Mormons are excited over a new silver mine discovery near St George & the Johnsons are in it. Palmer likely to stay some time and pick up the spring flora. His Arizona sets are here filed up, few buyers. There was much complaint of his scrimping specimens and repetition to increase the price, so that I have advised and he now consents to a reduction.

My plans for coming season contemplate a journey East. When I get through my sorting & distribution. May conclude to take you on our way. Am getting old & lazy, you see. They are pushing the S. Pacific RR through to the Colorado at Ft Yuma

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will be ready for us next winter!

You have heard of our great archaeological find here. Carved tablets did George get one of them for duplicates?

Duncan is clearly failing. has had a serious complication in Erysipelas. of one of his diseased legs. is not able to get about much but uses cane & his mind keeps active I doubt much if he lasts through Spring

Write & let me know about Lemmons plants & Palmerum

Mine are D H to you when I get to them

Regards to George & Mrs C

Yours

C C Parry

Mrs Parry nearly lost her Filia. (J. Parryae Jun) lately deceased in Beth Joseph & J. Kennedyi Porter

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Ans Feby 28th
Ans March 7

Davenport Feby 27th 1877

My Dear Dr

Tired of waiting to hear from you I send by express to day parcel of Lemmons plants and some miscellaneous thrown in hope you will find something of interest. Shall be glad of any corrections or answers to ????

I want to clear the deck for the S Calia collection on which I want to spread myself (Qst. Spread Eagle) Duncan is quite poorly. his dropsical trouble is affecting his abdomen & interferes with his breathing. He is still pushing on the printing of Vol 2. Proceedings. Our Academy is in luck get the gift of an eligible

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building lot. Mrs Putnam is now working for a building fund with fair prospects of success.
When they get a botanical room I shall donate my herb & books

Send what you think best for Lemmon (not to exceed $20.=) I want to make up $150.= for him to start on next year to Honey Lake & the Modres

Yours truly
C C Parry

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Rec'd July 11
Ans Sept 10

HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

July 8th 1877

Dear Dr.

Why do you persecute me (literally) by reminding me of my sins of omission here when I am trying to enjoy myself — no matter — revenge will come. So I write to tell you that I too am "too old" & stiff" to join that young party to Colorado via St Louis. I expect to stay right here. Study some, play more, and then when I get ready, work leisurely home to Davenport via Wisconsin, (August!) I am revolving a deeper plan. viz to go down into old Mexico next winter and botanize. the slopes of the Sierra Madre..!! Seats not all engaged. come along & get the young! We look for Dr Horsford tomorrow. Even. to stay Mule next Thursday

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then off for the west via N.Y. Philadelphia. Cincinnati St Louis So your Friend will come week after next. Sargent wants me to go along & stop & collect Conifer Seed. but I "don't see it" i.e the Seed, which was due last year but failed on account of late frosts & and is not due again till the even year 1878. at least that is my view, Yours year 1874. was the most prolific of any I can remember. The A. Menziesii here from my 1862 seed is now in its glory and really a splendid thing. much nicer than any I saw in the Mts or in Denver! I suppose Greene will be working along back in the fall and we may see him, a letter just received from him he is expecting to go to Pueblo. Says he has had a call (not botanical) and will probably settle there is anxious to meet Gray & Hooker

July 8 '77

Palmer the last accounts working north. expecting to reach Lake Utah in Sept. he has sent on two boxes of plants. here not yet received. but complains of a dry season.

We slipped away from Davenport in a hurry at last, too late to go to St Louis. the bottle is you know too near Canton you must farther off. as an inducement to go & see you? Mrs P. is staying at her father in Conn. now 80 years old! I had a good visit at Sandy Hill you remember the woods and boys on your way to St Lawrence, my father is still living 83 years. I hear from Duncan occasionally still in the mint. Mr Putnam has commenced a building for the Academy, so we shall have a place to put you when you go to

July 8 '77

I am running through plants in a loose sort of way mending up my list &c &c. weather cool & pleasant but expect a nice little visit from Hooker before he leaves. Dr Gray promises to stop at Davenport on his return West in Septr. They calculate to go to Lemmon place in Sierra Valley. He is going as soon as able to do much.

Dr Gray just says Tell Engel. we shall be at St Louis Monday 16th instt. wean. stay over Tuesday & leave that evening for West. Dr Lamborn who has charge of the Party goes with them from Philadelphia and sees them through to Pueblo. But you will get all the details when they come. I shall stay here for two weeks then to Westford Conn. are we now

Yours C. C. Parry.

My plants are settled in Davenport.

Rec Oct 31'
Ans Nov 1

DAVENPORT

Academy of Natural Sciences.

Davenport, Iowa, October 30th 1877.

My Dear Dr

How shall I excuse my long silence? not by promises but acts of contrition, hardly a day but which your familiar face has seemed to look reproachfully from the open letter on my table. Will Palmer has gone to Cambridge and the corrected list of his plants (1877) returned, making up 18 n sp. A special parcel for you has been waiting for company, and I have been pigeon-holing Quercus wherever it turns up. So you see you have not been neglected — then I have been expecting, seem to think up any day, and more important than all our grand Mexican scheme looks promising. I have made a proposal in case $1000.— is raised to undertake the trip and if this sum is made up I will assume $200.— out of my own funds. I did not feel justified in undertaking such an expensive and risky trip without some guarantee Palmer is to go along to collect in anthropology results in Botany. The Peabody Museum appropriates $1000.— to him for that purpose. So at present all turns, on

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the success of the subscriptions which Dr Gray thinks can be readily made up. I fear from past experience it will hardly do to count on Shaw for a lift say of $100, to be returned in plants & seeds for the garden. but you might propose it as you are used to being bluffed. If we go I should hope to start early in December & go direct to City of Mexico via Vera Cruz. Thence work north along the high slopes of Sierra Madre. till we reach a good location for a central collecting point, perhaps near San Luis Potosi, then work out as the season closes via Texas, &c &c I want to confer with you & Wislizenus on the subject and in case it would not inconvenience you would step over with you for a week perhaps taking Mrs Parry with me that far whence she will go East to winter in Philadelphia & N.Y. So you see the grand scheme as it now stands and can advise me in the matter. Soon.

Duncan keeps well and lively but he should go South this winter. Academy building in progress. It stays going up. Mr Putnam's seedlings and cotton. Since Palmer left I have been busy with my general collection putting things together so that I can see what I have. I enclose seeds of a new Cal^a lily Lilium Parryi Watson named which I have lately received. please distribute to advantage here & in Europe. Above all let me hear from you soon and say I am forgiven being in common parlance

Your humble & obt Svt

C. C. Parry

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Ans Nov 18

DAVENPORT

Academy of Natural Sciences.

Davenport, Iowa, Nov 12th 1877.

My Dear Dr

I am still as you see dilletory. but progressing so far as to begin to set dates. I now think if everything moves favorably to leave here early in Dec (5th)? stop a week with you then go to New Orleans in time to take Steamer for Vera Cruz Dec 15th. Palmer to leave N Y by the same line Dec 6th and to reach Vera Cruz one day before me viz Dec 20th R R to city of Mexico every day time 20 hours!! I now only wait to see how that subscription comes in to decide definitely. Canby will come down with $200.= ! and I think the remaining $600.= can be easily made up without advertising

Yours Truly Jno Cassin Martin

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As to Palmer's matter he tells me Nov 12 '77
before leaving that he had paid out
as freight for things sent you about $8.—
He has selected for you a small set of
his plants and leaves the matter of
compensation to you & me. Suppose you
make it up to $25.— to include the
plants he has for you and those I may
select. ——?? Do you think you
can venture $100.— on the Mexican
scheme? which will give you me the
interest in the collection. I place little
confidence in Shaw's coin, as they
I am reading Humboldt's New Spain.
When is Mr Schott. he had a copy
of Churigero's history Lower Cal.a which
I should like to get. I hope he puts
up several interesting publications
in Mexico. I suppose we can see
Westigens in St Louis. Mrs P. is at
present laid up. had a toe amputated
but doing well. soon on her pins again.
When anything special turns up write
let you know.

Yours

C. C. Parry

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Rec'd Nov 22
Ans — 28

DAVENPORT

Academy of Natural Sciences.

Davenport, Iowa, Nov 21st 1877.

Dear Dr

I am getting tired of seeing bundles of plants lying round loose so in a fit of desperation I siege me with your name on it and toss in Express; I will send my list as soon as Mr Parry gets through copying which can stay till I come and then we can discuss matters at large, of course you will be disgusted to find no decks in it — but we must make up all deficiencies in Mexico!! The scheme seems to take well the Philadelphia folks taking nearly half the stock required. Palmer is holding on at Cambridge to get an Ethnological appropriation from Peabody Museum. If that gets through everything is clear for a start. I still hope to get off by 5th or 6th Dec. & spend a few days with you. If there is a delay will have to wait till after Christmas, will notify you in due time

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Nov 21 '77

Mrs Parry is recovering nicely from her toe amputation and will be ready for Shaws garden &c &c &c Duncan keeps well and lively. but he should go South this winter as dispseal symptoms are showing again; We are getting a roof on the Stadium building much to Mrs Putnams delight. No signs of freeze yet — when?? As I shall be sending the list in a day or two I want your acknowledgments

Yours Truly C. C. Parry

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Acc'd Dec 19th
Ans same day

New Orleans Dec 16th 1877

Dear Dr, My steamer on which I was to sail to day.. has not yet come into port, has been sent on a side trip to carry Mexican troops from Vera Cruz to Metamoras.. so I am likely to be delayed here several days. I have however secured comfortable quarters 88. Carondelet St and amuse myself with rambles on the wharf. and the French Market &c. This week I shall try some excursions into the suburbs among the live oaks & cypress ??
It is quite warm. with foggy mornings & clear afternoons a continuation of St Louis and a little more so. Mr Parry I hope reached her destination safely. I may perhaps hear from her before leaving. The Mexican war news does not scare me. I have heard the

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Dec 16 '77

would say too often

Reflecting with constant pleasure on the delightful visit with you & occultations thrown in gratis. I hope to be able to make some small returns eventually properly to express the gratitude of Mrs P. and myself to you & your wife & you

Again Quercus Yucca ?????
Juniperus Arcanthistis — Pinus &c
&c &c

I wish I could hear from you soon

Very truly yours
C. C. Parry

Did Mrs P. give her address ?
3939 Chestnut St
Philadelphia

Best Steamer from NO to Ven Cruz Jan. 6th

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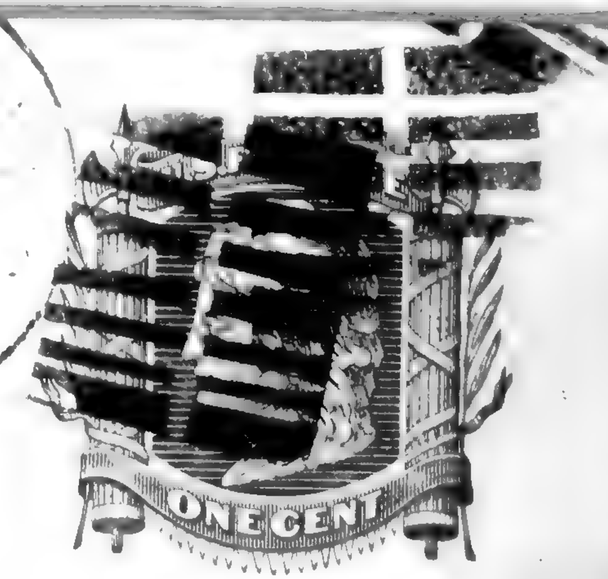

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Dr George Engelmann
3003 Locust St
St Louis
Mo

an 19 Dec

88. Carondelet St. New Orleans
Dec 17th 1877

What is that curious rib-leaved aquatic plant enclosed in newspaper wrapper? Pistia stratiotes?
Steamer not likely to sail before last of the week write to the above address, next Steamer from N.Y. sails 29th from here Jany 1st postage to Mexico 10 cts
weather still pleasant warm &c &c

Yours
C. C. Parry

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9 Hours just lost from ship p
mainsail left at sea!

Rec'd Dec 24
Ans Jan 3

New Orleans
Dec 21st 1872

Dear Dr

Still one more chance to bid you good bye from "America" our Steamer is to leave positively? tomorrow at 10 A.M. if not then the day after mail closes at 10 of 4 P.M. I am booked for a X mas on the Gulf perhaps at Tampico I enclose herewith my first installment of Agave In watching the unloading of our ship I was interested to see 500 bales "Sisal grass" from Yucatan enclosed is a sample (and a larger one goes to you in a paper wrapper.) I think I sent you the same from Florida San Domingo Exp.?

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Dec 21 '77

The bales average 350 lbs. making a total shipment of 175000 lbs. which would furnish rebs enough to hang a good many rascals. If it could be put to such a useful purpose I have begun to encounter the annoyance of Mexican travel by experience in shipping a bale of drying paper. it keeps me waiting nearly 2 days from Mex. consul to ship again making out duplicate papers & paying duplicate fees. it is not over yet as duties must be paid at Vera Cruz. &c &c &c I have invested in a load of Mexican dollars at 92 cents for currency. So next time I shall have to address you as Señor Don and sign as Su servidor

adios

C. C. Parry

Excellent — not cured — Mexican — Tickets — corr

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Corporate Secretary

Rec'd Jan 30th
Ans Febr 5th

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and Queens ?? I [illegible] Jan 10, 78

[illegible]

I write in [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I will add more in another. Shall

your truly C. [illegible]

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Jan 10 '98 Jan 14th

Have to close in a hurry for mail we leave for San Luis 19th from 4 Days have got acquainted with the scientific gentlemen here. attended meeting of Acad Nat Sciences & was formally introduced Some good Doctors here. Humboldt complete Decandolle. I see an imperfect copy of St Louis Transactions

Have been to Chapultepec seen the Cypress also another different cedar like sp ??

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I presented copy of your Pinipens
Paper. So, I did not have several
copies of Agaves. They have just got
notice of a box sent from Smithsonian
Steamer leaving New Orleans for Mexico
Feby 17th March 10. March 31st
Since your letter accordingly
Direct care Dr J. A. Skillern
U.S. Consul General
U.S.A.
Mexico

I shall hear from you soon

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Rec Jan 12th 1878
An — 14

Vera Cruz Jany 2d 1878

Dear Dr

Arrived here safe 28th ult.
6 days from New Orleans. found
Palmer gone to City of Mexico.
As the weather was cool & pleasant
I dreaded a return of a norther which
has kept us for 4 days. I concluded
to stop here and do wh the time
would have made devoted to make
excursions (tempted over Sand hills,
and deserts) and change things &
see people. I now conclude to
go up to City by taking train tomo.
17 hours. I shall stop one day
at Orizaba. I pick up a few things
here on Cuesta which I meant to
include but have neglected. Some
fragments of the Common Sand hills
Opuntia &c & species notes. What
species is it?

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Last letter to Capt J. H. Sheldon
Jan 2 '98
U.S. Consul General
Mexico

When I met Palmer we will decide on plans. I fear bottom will be scant in the labels (and) at this season. I am well & hearty after the wind siege & sea sickness wide field, no matter about Dates. You should get the about middle of January. I have at last picked up a good map. I am learning more and Spanish, such as it is, hardly heard a word of English. There is a remarkably clean town here. Photographs are to follow. In haste, hurried & tired a great traffic by sea with the people of the world.

Must close for mail requests to offer & forward

Yours C. C. Parry

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Rec March 13th
Ans — 15

San Luis Potosi Mex.
Feb 17th 1871 — 20th

My Dear Dr: I have received 3 letters from you here forwarded from Mexico the last of dates Jan 14th & 23d. It is now time that I made acknowledgments. We have been here nearly 4 weeks, and are getting to feel quite at home. We have convenient rooms, quarters and board at reasonable rates in the house of a Presbyterian missionary!! from Penn!! Barvoche is very friendly & useful in introducing us to proper pastors to facilitate our researches. We have also another Botanist (German) Dr Shafner who has collected quite extensively and corresponds with Prof Schultz. On the whole this prospect seems good for plenty of hard work, and I mean to take time for it, and do what I can. What ought to be done is quite appalling! I find the botanists here as in Mexico quite loose in their determinations like Kellogg in San Francisco inclined to make species without knowing what has been done. Fortunately Barvoche has a fair library including Hooker & Bentham & Endlicher. I have been puzzling over Cactus from the book you gave him "Monog.t Cactees par J. Labouret" but with poor success. So must fall back in quite notes and collections of all. I wanted to stay longer in Mexico & clear up several things. But Palmer was fidgety & uneasy to get off. So we left with the intention of going back. But I conclude to stop here when the field is less known and work up this locality thoroughly staying probably till Oct. Though the immediate vicinity is not promising the facilities of reaching mountain districts and visiting Haciendas is excellent. Palmer starts this week for Rio Verde in the borders of the Tierra Caliente. The journey from Mexico here by diligence 4 days was interesting, though rough and only able to catch lantalizing views of vegetation mostly at rest. Some of the Cactus views were wonderfully strange, great Tuna forests, Organ Cactus and another giant Cereus, now just coming into flower of which more anon. I must say before I forget, that I did not study as I should the Mexican Cypress. (Taxodium) I was twice in the Chapultepec grove and took a good look at it, conclude in my own [illegible] that it was identical with our bald Cypress. not evergreen [illegible] as brown as any in Louisiana, from a late frost. I think it is only the

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absence of frost that makes it semi-perennial in exceptional winters. Some of the under protected shoots were green. Otherwise dead brown. The trees were too high to secure branches as I should have done. I do not know if I shall meet it again, but Palmer may on his return to Mexico. I noted & collected 2 sp. Cupressus: one of which also grows here. I have not yet seen a Juniperus wild on the R R from Vera Cruz. but am on the track of some. The common scrub pine of this section is 3 leaved. "pinion." probably Jum. Ponderosa? Shall have full material. But Cactus & Agave will be coming on directly. and keep me busy. especially Mammillaria & Echinocactus. I shall enclose fragments of the tall branching Cereus now in flower, and send full notes of size &c later I cant make it fit any description. The fl & fruit are insignificant to the size of the plant. The Organ cactus Cereus Columnaris? is also coming in flower It is the most curious of all, one singular fact you will see in specimen is that there is clusters of flowers in axils of the 1st sp. and also occasionally in the Organ. but all this later.

I shall probably get into the Quercus bushes later: Must now advise briefly that you send letters **direct to me at this place**. There is an overland mail via Metamoras which is rather uncertain, but might be used occasionally as less delay than by steamer (postage 3 cents.) on all State letters I pay on delivery 25 cents. It will also answer to send papers & periodicals with 2 cents envelope, I pay on receipt 5 cents. Do not forget to send some copy of Agave paper which I will turn over to Barnecle; he has not got it so I shall be in the fog till it comes. also Abies if come &c!! I will try & smuggle in specimens every chance, but P.O. regulations here are disgustingly stupid & annoying. You cannot mail a letter without personally delivering to the P.M. & paying him to put on the stamps, (which are not for sale.) over 1/4 oz 10 cents extra. I must stop grumbling, so near the end of my sheet. I keep this open as the time for closing by steamer is not far from some days. Yours truly

C C P

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Rec'd April 15th 78
Ans

San Luis Potosi. March 11th 1878

My Dear Dr Steamer day is coming on & I must be making up my budget for the mail. I enclose several scraps of Euphorbia for you to growl over. some days ago I stumbled on Celaschicha looking very familiar. I am working along about as usual praying for rain which does not yet come. The country is now dryer than in January. a little warmer at night. I have been on a short trip to an Hacienda. at foot of mts picked up a few nice things. I was high enough to reach the outskirts of Pinus. which has dense foliage when young. leaves quite constantly in 3.— slender & glaucous underneath. Young cones not yet swelling. I take it to be your P. oocarpa var Edulis ?— An Agave quite new to me is just coming in fl. I have a root planted in my yard to watch. it has slender thin leaves without spines or filamentous margins. weak mucro at summit. fl. spike red. with red bracts & scattering fl 2–3 in a bract. deep green perianth 3/4 inch. small anthers &c &c. will send notes & scraps later. it is called "Pita" has some very fine slender threads in the veins of the leaf.— grows on high rocky mts. fl. should prove new. I want you to let me name it A. Engelmanni. but I fear you will smash it in your pamphlet. which I ought to have.. Another Agave with filamentous margined leaves called "Lechiguia Mansa" I saw but not in fl All these will be carefully watched. I am interested in seeing the variation in the wild form of A. Americana? everywhere in wet districts where it could hardly have been planted it grows. with long shaped leaf long. broad. glaucous. green &c &c

Seed

Again

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Nov 11 '78

The Organ Cactus is now fairly in fl. but a miserable show for so stately a plant. It grows in closely crowded lines along the South side of the ribs, showing dull brown fuzzy cylinders 1½ inch long with the merest sign of white edges at summit. I am now curious to see the fruit, which I suspect is dry — Mammillarias I have not yet tackled. I was quite interested to find in the market the other day, large bags of Echinocactus wool, "lana de Vizcaya", brought in to stuff pillows. I bought quite a bunch (½ lb) for 6 cents — for specimens I do not certainly know the species. There is a large one now in fl almost = to E. Visligeni. I have counted as many as 37 ribs — diameter 2 ft. height 2½ ft!!

You spoke some two years for Populus. I have made out since getting your letter to secure a few baled made cottons, which are quite persistent, withering on the branch; to day I shall make a raid in the Pasco on the young fr. I now see it is different from ours. Have not yet met with it with Palmer I suppose will report on his return from Rio Verde the botanical prospects down there. It is probably not so dry, but more of a tropical aspect as it is a sugar region. — I have met one or two oaks, but they do not show any signs of leafing out, foliage dull fulvous. At Rio Verde the Cypress comes in. (evergreen when not frozen) Palmer must look after agaches when he goes to Mexico. — I saw one Marsilea there floating, another one here in Exicated holes looks like Texan M. Vestita. No Isoetes! Schaffner calls the Mexican Agola A. Mexicana Schaff. n sp but I doubt as he is inclined to make species ("more. Kellogg"). Dr Schaffner treats me quite shabbily does not come near me or invite me to his house, lately married.

Must close

Yours &c

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Rec'd June 5th
Ans July 8th

San Luis Potosi May 17th/78

Dear Dr My budget which has been swelling for some time I must now seal up for fear of an abortion i.e. miscarriage. 1st let me say I have your letters of March 15th and April 16th the latter rec'd May 8th contents noted &c &c &c Now here goes a pile of rough sketches which I hope may interest you and elicit critic'm. why not so & so" and "????" information. Please remember that I keep no copy. my aim has been not to be artistic but truthful,

Our 3 large Cereii I am pretty well through with — for a Land which will turn up in due time "Saramullo" is fruiting freely & will soon be in market. the other arborescent Cereus. of which I sent sketches &c in my last now comes freely in market and I enclose sketch of ripe fr. and a few seed. will secure more when ~~when~~ it is more mature. fair eating but not = to C. shannonii & deliciosus. too insipid — what Sp.? The small cespitose species are not yet in fr. — I sent in envelope of last st of mail. seed or half plant of Mamillaria ? of which the fruit under name of Chilito is in market ???

I have partial material of the most common cylindric Opuntia here. long straggling branches. 3–6 ft tall. dull rose color. fr. dull yellow frequently proliferous abortive? will send full material in my next. do not meet with O. fruticosa but it is not far off. several other Clavaliers horribly spiny things to be got all Opuntias here open in Sun. including Tuna now ripening its fr. so much for Cacti!

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Agave (Except A. Engel) still undeveloped
of this A. Eng. I have now nearly ripe capsules. and have
enclosed some in seed envelope This will clear up
this species — Lechuguilla. I am watching in
a garden patch — but with more interest I am
waiting for "Lechuguilla Mansa" the soap root of
the markets — of which I have a specimen
potted looks as if A. mapisti fl. some time
if I have patience to wait — Then again I
have brought in old plants & roots of an Agave
of singular flower section. the small dry capsules on
the top of a slender scape 5 ft — fl spike scarcely
6 inches. I have sent in seed envelope one
top spike with capsules & root wrapped in Echinocactus
roots with tuberous prolongation at base sometimes
over a foot long, leaves withered and fallen
I am on the track of it it is called "amole"
also used for soap. the gum root will reach
you chin. It is almost impossible to see
a flowering stalk of the cultivated Agave. the
people here consider it a waste of pulque to
have it grow. I was watching 3 on an abandoned
plantation just coming in bud but the last time I
was on the spot they had been ruthlessly cut down
for poles — height fully 20 ft thickly sheathed
with bracts. So in the Mt. districts it is only
by chance that you can catch a fl. specimen
the only way would be to have one in a yard
where it would be unmolested — The leaf forms
of the wild species show great variation I have
the Echinocactus short form length including terminal sp.
10½ in greatest width 5 inch terminal spine 2 in
lateral spines irregular in direction & length

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May 17 '78

some nice Asclepiads turning up but can't say much about them. Must now tell you something about news of plants. Palmer has gone back to Mexico to finish up what he ought to have done before coming here last winter. I told him to look after the aquatics & Taxodium. If you have any specialties for him to collect write to him direct. Care to J A Skillin Esq Consul Mexico. He expects to return here in July or August will then go to the Eastern slopes towards Tampico & return by that route home in the fall — I am desperately uneasy here. difficult to reach good botanizing ground and I am getting too old & lazy to climb much so I am now thinking seriously of pulling up stakes, say in July & move northward towards Saltillo, and the Texas frontier picking up what I can on the route, delaying in any specially good botanical locality, but eventually working out to San Antonio perhaps in time for Solar eclipse July 29th. If I do this I shall leave here full direction for Palmer to finish up collection here. Of course I shall take more with me. I shall probably decide this matter before my next letter.

Rainy season has partially set in but not enough to materially affect the vegetation the whole country being parched & baked nearly to the center.

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On the strength of the Agave question I have made a final attack on our friend? Schaffner. I addressed him a polite note which I delivered personally at his house. Stating that I had been requested by my botanical correspondents in the U.S. to make a special study of Agave. and as I understood he had made collections in that genus. I should be greatly obliged if he would favor me with an examination of his specimens, for which due acknowledgment should be made &c &c. requesting an early answer. This will I imagine force him to show his hand and then I shall be ready to show mine either for peace or war!! This is 3 days ago and no answer yet — Speaking of correspondents. I do not know whether I mentioned one Hugo Finck of Cordova. who collects plants & publishes lists frequently he mentions particularly Oaks & pines in large numbers — I think it might be well to open correspondence with him. I am also much concerned over a Juglans. said to be native & growing on the East slope of Sierra Madre. nuts that have been shown me as belonging to the species are certainly J. regia, cannot have become naturalized? Finck has a species in his list J. granatensis I do not remember any such sp in S.C. Palmer said he saw it towards Tampico but did not collect — (J. Jackii would not do.) but it must be traced up. On grand new road to Tampico finished and celebrated but not possible! American Bray. Are you ready for A.A.A.S. my sympathy! Does Riley go to Agr Dept? I saw he had been offered the place of Entomologist?

Yours

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Rec May 20th
Ans same day
Dear Dr

San Luis Potosi April 18th/76

I must begin to answer your letter of Mch 15th Recd 12th inst also a few days after the parcel of pamphlets both very acceptable you see I have made a beginning and trying my "prentice hand" at sketching of not artistic. I have tried to make it correct as far as size position &c &c. I am still at work on Cereus geometricus to go in my next. The day after I got your letter I started in the heat of the day to complete my observations and by my usual luck stumbled on another arborescent Cereus which has put me off the track of which I must send full notes - section &c &c, I will only just say in reference to C. geometricus that it is not night flowering but opens soon after daylight and lasts till 12 at noon at the fullest & dull. I was able to test this by having a branch at the head of my bed. — back come when I send in notes.

The Agave paper came in good time I send some incomplete material of my Agave Engelmanni I may see it does not agree with any of your so I feel encouraged about it. but the inflorescence is a puzzle. It seems that it should go into section Singuliflorae but it really has singlish fl. mostly in 3s but you must solve this riddle or modify your classification. I have now nearly full formed fruit. — I am "watching" the "Amole" Agave. have a strong root planted out in our yard. It is called "Lechiguia Mansa" or tame Lechiguia. the leaves being filamentous edged never spinous. the true Lechiguia grows near here and I shall watch it there there may be flower in store. I have not got into the pine woods. not very accessible

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they talk of getting up hunting parties ~~many~~ little
ofute but do not get started. The whole country
is very dry and little inducement for long
excursions. Dr Palmer has gone to examine
some ruins near Zacatecas will be gone 2 or
3 weeks. will hardly do much in botany.
You are right in your estimate of Barnette
he cannot be depended on for scientific work
but for all that he is a very agreeable & useful
man. gives me every facility to examine his books
introduces me to any desirable parties being well
known and a man of influence. Every way a
better man than Schaffner, whom I have given
up as a "bad egg" he has not shown the least
disposition to be decently friendly absolutely refused
to make an appointment at my request to call
& examine his collections on the lame plea of
"business". I shall never go near him again, and
shall be obliged to notice his treatment when I come
to report on Mexican Botany & Botanists. He does
nothing now in botany but his local collection here
is no doubt very full, he was quite inclined to
make species (more Kellogg) but I think has not
published any. he names the Mexican Agalla A. Mexicana
I notice some bad blunders in his naming in Barnette
collection. It is a pity when there is so much to
be done and so few to do it, the work should be
wasted on such men.
I find rather late that mail parcels go very readily
by Mexican mail generally at 5 cent rates
So I am sending freely hoping some at least may
reach their destination. You will recognize my
hand in Hard 13th Garden Encyclopa &c. In one such
sent I enclose branch Pinus Cembroides. for Agnes Engel
some Mexican wild potatoes, &c &c

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Apl 18 '78

Palmer brought from towards the coast some specimens of Cypress Taxodium Evidently same as Chapultepec and not distinct from T. distichum? also branches of Cunninghamia which I make out your Mexican var of C. occidentalis (one seedling) but Palmer says bark not shredding as branch brought by him quite scaley. I learn specimen out to send. The seeds very small blue but I cannot find plump cotyledons. said to be a large tree. I am also in doubt of a Juglans said to have fruit like J. regia said to be undoubtedly wild there is a species from Cordova called on labels J. granatensis but what is it? at the fruit I have seen is clearly J. regia Must watch & surprise. I feel some misgivings about Populus "alamo" it looks too near our common western one same shaped leaves &c &c. The P. alba of Eu. is common. I have seen no wild platans yet!

In the mail parcel sent is wool & capsules of a woolly Echinocactus or Melocactus Palmer brought fruit specimens and a tuft which is a bed of wool, but does not project. A is collected for bed & pillows. Palmer gets 25 lbs for $1.— for packing beds in A is large must have over 30 lbs

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Then is an Echinocactus here with 29 = 38 Ribs - nearly 2 ft diameter -!
Mamillaria I am afraid to handle but will at least collect. There is now a pr. fruit in market under the name Chiletos which is quite pretty & nice. I have the plant to identify it with flat hemispheric heads, few 6-7 radiate spines & one stronger hooked. - There is another nearly little rock Mamillaria with flexible fine thread like spines (S/ sent in mach/ canal) You see I am crowded with so many things to look after and getting old & lazy. I wrote Mr P. I could not get back her October at which she makes little complaint but I do not see how I can finish up what I ought to do before then. I would gladly turn over the job to Palmer but I am not satisfied with his way of doing work. he is persistent and industrious but not enterprising, likes to be waited on. - besides he has enough to do in ethnology & zoology. I shall have quite a lot of nutmacks to show the varieties of fruit &c &c for museum & presents. Write to Hilborn & Bath. Littleton N H for list of Mexican Stereoscopic views they are the best out, & cheap ($1.75 dozen.) can sell at what you count. also write to Alexandre & Co Mex. St. ship line New York for time table to Vera Cruz, so as to time your letters. good bye for present yours C. C. Parry

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Rec June 29
Ans July 8

San Luis Potosi June 10th/78

My Dear Dr

Not having the stimulus of a letter to answer I must perforce give you a short one though plenty to write about. I send in this some specimens of cactus for Dr Seed & G. Geometricus sketches & notes which will finish all I have to say on this Sp. more seed will go to you when dry enough I send. Have not finished notes on the immum arborescent Opuntia here but the material is now complete. — from one simple observation I conclude that the small cylindric Opuntia O. pulescens ? is not an exception to the rule of being day flowers opening towards noon & closing at even only open once!

No new Agave material & 1st leaves of a Sagittaeflora sect of which I have before sent old capsules & now a leaf

I am watching a fl branch of A. Americana going through the developing process so far very similar to what you so carefully noted of A. Shawii. It has continued very dry yesterday the heaviest rain since I came. 6½ mill!

Schaffner still keeps up his dignified reserve. paid no attention to the polite letter I wrote him some a month ago requesting the privilege of seeing his collection of Agaves. I am now satisfied that he is at least secretly hostile and shall treat him accordingly. but as I have not come here to give lessons in politeness I shall just let him slide till the proper time comes. I notice in a late publication in a Mexican journal he promises to send to the Natl. Museo a set of our 1000 sp. of plants collected near San Luis. that would beat me by 500!! at least but I will steal a march on him in the publication as he is apparently doing nothing and Prof. Schaffner being dead has no one to have recourse to in Europe. Prospect soon of getting over my lazy fit & settling into the work among the pines & oaks &c &c. I am now waiting the good pleasure of the proprietor of a mountain Hacienda to go out for a two weeks journey I shall expect to see many nice things & hope to do some good work in my scarcely way

June 1878

Palmer still in Mexico, but disgusted
has had chills & fever. The Government
was enforcing the law against landing
antiquities out of the country & prohibiting
excavations except under Government direction
I suppose he will be back here soon.
Rumors of a revolutionary raid on the
border nearly time for another revolution
I still hesitate on my plans, but incline
to remain here at least till August &
then work north or if not advisable
return via Mexico or Tampico.
Next month will be the great "Tuna"
season. Some inferior qualities now in
market. By all accounts this is the
Central Station for the Tuna crop in
Mexico. The product in other directions
either N & S or W becomes inferior.
I want to study up the different varieties
& make colored sketches with its different
uses & commercial values &c &c
for this I shall visit a Tuna ranch
15 miles North to which I am invited
by the proprietor. The fermented beverage

"Calanche" will soon be on sale. They also make wine, honey, & preserves.
Since the rain it is quite pleasant & everything looks fresh — plenty of fruit in market, including Jaunebulle & Pagaha &c
I do not think very much of either
Too misped!
No letter from you by last mail which brought late news from Davenport
Mr Parry now in Brooklyn N.Y. talks of returning to Davenport in July or August
Are you ready for Ann Arbor Ad Sci ???
Those additions — new clothes &c &c?
Will Shaw come down Louisiana?
What Excursion? Davenport!!
Iron Ohio??
I am anxious to hear what you make of my Agave Engelmanni or shall we say A Schottii!!
Must close in haste for this letter shall expect lots of news from you & must make due here next week may have something more to report from Mr

Yours &c

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Rec'd July 22nd
Ans 23

San Luis Potosi. July 1st 1878

My Dear Dr Time to be getting ready for the next N.O. mail this should reach you by 20th inst now I have your letter of May 20th to answer So you knock my Agave Engel. into a Beschinerania better so but why is the latter genus so little known. I find nothing in Endlicher. well we will at least clear up this species & get it in cultivation. from Seed I ~~made~~ have already sent you mature capsules which will partly answer your question. but I'll see if I can salted down may be able to bring me in some live roots from my garden. I cannot find that it is used for fibre here as the product is scanty. but it should be of fine quality — I send herewith some fl notes &c. of the wild form of Agave Americana. I am watching for the spotted leaf Agave "Amate" of which I just get a specimen in bud, have sent roots before & repeat mine hope some at least will reach in good condn to grow — The Lechuguilla still holds back also the Lechuguilla Mansa which is the Agave with filamentous edged leaves and is common sea plant of this district, brought to market by the bushel. — "Tunas" are now coming in freely. I am not yet captivated with them as fruit. but the varieties are

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remarkable & interesting must by & by get some illustrations, we shall soon have the native beverage made from it "Kalunche" in which I am not able to report yet some Mamillaria and small Echinocactus now fruiting up. I have not seen flowers E. ingens with the wool. Dr Palmer brought specimens from the East from which I judge that the upper part of the plant is all wool bearing. I send with this the ripest fruit found of Cereus marginatus. The descriptions as you note are shockingly bungled I believe I have now everything straight etc. Jurambrillo of which you have before then no. notes &c also Pitahaya ? the dwarf Caespitose Cereus ? still need fruit & seed which I shall secure soon. Before I run through my sheet I must say that I have finally settled on my plans. after Palmer returns from the middle of this month. I shall commence packing and leave him to finish up his while I will start about August 1st to Saltillo, to stay in that vicinity several weeks, pick up what I can & then in Sept leave via Monterey & Burrowville for home. probably returning by Galveston & Little Rock. In this way I hope to cover some ground & not get home what Dr Palmer will decide on he wants to visit some of the ranches on road to Tampico, which ought to give him obtaining but I fear he is not near

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George Engelmann Papers

July 1 '78

interpreting Coll Havelle's results. any more than I can. I hope he has secured them equaloes from Mexican points? but he complains of fever, chills & fever —

I do not yet get into the mountains among the pines & oaks. but a fair prospect of going this week. after ten dry days we now have another rainy spell. 1/4 inch yesterday. I can make nothing out of the meteorology here. The wind stays quite constantly in one quarter (lately East) and without any change clouds gather & rain comes & goes without warning — the barometer I suppose gives better premonitions. Buxodle runs the observatory & I shall get him to copy for me the monthly means. Max & Min. rain fall &c &c but I suppose you get it all from central stations Mexico. I suppose you will have a road

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Impression, fits for "Isopel a tweed sharpening"
Not many Fontanesia here. we have two
Erythreas. one large pink fl quite fine.
the other small yellow.
The Asclepiads are good & interesting, I am
trying to get full material. a very common
Asclepias: suffruticosa with slender stems &
linear leaves growing in clumps has been
blossoming all winter. Barnes calls it A. linearis.
I do not get stumble on Sodas.
Hope you will be able to raise our wild
potatoes of which I sent tubers. It comes in
market here and I do not see why it might
not be the original of cultivated plant. though
Humboldt says not. It is sometimes near 2 inches
in diameter, the short fibre enclosed in seed
envelope is a fine kind of Lechuguilla (Fig.

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Rec Sept 16

Davenport. Sept. 14th 1878

Letter received. will be on the look out for you
by Monday Even R.I. train. meet you at the Depot
Telegram to P.O. on Monday. will find me
plenty to look at here & more to talk about
Mrs Putnam, is getting the "fatted calf" ready
I the lean weeds. Had a good visit with George
a nice rest, I looked over your Platanus. found
no P. Mexicanus. but can supply the vacuum
Mrs P. well and anxious to greet you & Mrs C.
Cars due here in good season even.
Yours Rec Monday.

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Rec Oct 1st

Davenport. Sept 29th 1878

Raining well again, shall be in town tomorrow on the 2d. See no good reason why I shall not pick right up. I want you to look up Platanus. I noticed in your coll. several queer things from Arizona (Wright.) I suppose P. Wrightii Watson. Please send me a leaf.. I will send as soon as convenient s/l of P. Mexicanus. – &c &c

Yours

C C P

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Ans Nov 1st
Ans — 7th

DAVENPORT

Academy of Natural Sciences.

Davenport, Iowa, October 30th 1878.

Dear Sir

What has become of you? Since the Quarantine was raised, and you reported on plants sent, fulfilled promises &c &c &c

I am right well again good apetite & lively, have sent Gray a set of Compositae, of which he reports over 10 per cent n sp! Don't feel encouraged. My Boxes should now come on soon & then I shall be full of business so as well to clean up what I have on hand Can you name the two Asclepias? sent, or shall I send to Gray. I expect something rich in that line when the full collection comes in I have not heard from Palmer who should be leaving San Luis Potosi about this time for Tamaulipas. Mr Patterson has got up a splurge in moving my cases to the Academy, which is more than half "Buncombe". I see no chance for quiet steady work there, and will put up a shanty in the country

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Oct 30 '78

when Mr Parry can help me arrange — The Show part to stay at the Academy.
We are to have an Entertainment (not reception) to raise funds for altering the main room. nothing like having a woman who can talk to keep things moving. Duncan has had a light hemorrhage but passed off without serious results: shows at least that he should be careful. perhaps go South for winter. but when?
Has George got back? I just stumbled on a parcel of Obsidian arrow points from Utah of which I promised him some
That District between Monterey & Saltillo should be thoroughly explored. the high Mts & valleys adjoining would "pan out" splendid. When is there a young active collector to undertake it? easily reached now. via San Antonio, I would say Palmer. but I find he is like the rest of us good at shirking hard work! —
We have had a snow storm & cold weather
Do you know when Freeman is? he staid here 3 or 4 days last August when we were all away. I want to see him and talk up Eureka & Mountains
Let us know that you are alive & kicking

Yours truly C. C. Parry

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Rec Nov 23
ans — 2p

Davenport. Nov 22d 1878

Dear Dr

I was sorry to hear that you had been following my bad example — now if you will only follow the rest & get well! I have given you time enough, & I hear at last from my boxes shipped from Brownsville with an accompanying bill of charges as long as a Dr's! passing "Custom Houses" certificates no yellow fever &c &c &c. I shall expect them much worse in other respects — Also yesterday a letter from Palmer, still at San Luis Potosi, writes that he has packed 3 boxes more, has collected fruits, cactus & agaves but I fear in a rather irregular way. Expected to leave for Tampico this month. Thence to New Orleans

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and Saint Louis. perhaps Davenport.
No date to write to Tampico
but it is important that he
should come here so that I
can arrange about the distribution
&c if he should drop in upon
you shortly. please urge the
matter. — I sent a small parcel
to Gray (Monopetalae) including
Asclepias. So look out for your
"Laurus nobilis" — Shortia found
at last! in N Carolina but
not by a botanist. See Torrey Bulletin
I hope to hear that you are
well & heartily. Putnams all well
we have been staying at Woodlawn
2 weeks while Mr P. absent
at Jacksonville Ill. I enclose
a few Obsidians for Gray —
Let me hear from you
Truly —
C. C. Parry

(paper scarce)

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Rec Nov 25th
ans Dec 4th

Davenport Nov 23d 1878

Dear Sir

Our letters crossed but no matter. shows that you are still spiritually active though "the flesh is weak" better so than "vice versa".

Watson writes. the Monterey Platanus is P. Lindeniana (Martens & Gal not P. Mexicana) which latter is still imperfectly known before Palmer may catch it - we should correspond with Hugo Finck Cordova. Mex who publishes his in "Naturaleza" Must try & secure Agave Victoriae Reg

Hope Palmer will secure some good things. can you not name the red fl Sarcoscyphus from Sallillo?

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Nov 23 '78

Better decide on Rella
pungens - which is a "good"
name & something more pointed
than P. P. besides it will
look too much like a twin
P. Engel. Parry P. Parryi Engel.
But decide quick before
someone else gives you a
name. I have promised a
short paper on Rocky Mt Conifers
for Iowa Horticultural Society
& want a novelty!
Will catch Palmer on the
wing & send him up here
Does Agave Parryi show signs
of flr. I must see it when
in full blast

Siempre lo mismo

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Rec Dec 13th
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[illegible] better
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the "sick" I have to use safety
[illegible] not-bound - plastered
I shall use it however for sorting
the Mexican Collection if it
over comes - as and of it since
it left Brownsville Nov 8th!
Palmer writes that he has sent
Nov 1st 3 more boxes of plants
from Metamoras also live plants

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but will [illegible] 1
[illegible] more than about nine inches
I left grad as you have done in
similar circumstances. [illegible]
hope for some good things in the
"3 large boxes" I get also from
Pt by mail 2 hickory nuts.
What do you know about Carya
in Mexico. Can it be one of
our S W sp. I suppose he will
have branches [illegible] I shall
cut through one of the nuts to
see if there is any "meat"
I also get from [illegible] in good condition
Tubers of Solanum tuberosum so
that we can raise next year
Return to your note to be
answered somewhere like a "good boy"
time not specified) the Istle
fibre sent you is the ordinary
Lechiguilla. A. Lech.
Probably the different Agave seeds
you by Palmer may be the

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[illegible] "Mission" [illegible]
[illegible] Lord [illegible]
[illegible] Lower Tillamuckers [illegible]
[illegible] I did not see it in
[illegible] I think it is also used on
[illegible] Port, Palmer's [illegible]
[illegible] Beechtree posts. I left
[illegible] of Palmer's to
[illegible] Mr. Hyde?
[illegible] for Pinus Contorta, Calif
[illegible] his common [illegible] Mts
[illegible] San Bernardino range
[illegible] I have a [illegible] of our hopes but
[illegible] I think there are [illegible] stems not
[illegible] Wheeler's [illegible] a leaf branch to
[illegible] Hospitably
[illegible] warehouse [illegible]
[illegible] the highest
[illegible] of San Bernardino 12000 ft
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] was [illegible] a [illegible]

must ask Lem [illegible] whether [illegible]
intend to the north Sierras
[illegible] under [illegible] Valley [illegible]
here wintering [illegible] at Yosemite
he talks of locating at Yosemite
and making sets of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] up a [illegible] [illegible]
than to a [illegible] or two. But
[illegible] he should [illegible]
towards Oregon then [illegible]
[illegible] I have seen hying
[illegible] the track of Freeman. He
promised to stop here on his
return west but I cannot
[illegible] his address, he was also to
see you. Must not forget to ask
how you are the Pioneer [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] last mail [illegible], wishes kind
remembrance to yourself & the [illegible]
[illegible] good boy

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Mr Hemsley at Kew has arranged to work up my Mexican material for publication in the Biol. Central American Botany & for the Ill S Bdy. What can we do about Loch? wants the Polypetalae as soon as possible. Palmer will have some sales of which I may get flowers & fruit.

Are you able to work for publication? I'm about Rhamnaceae. I have some nice material in Basilicum. So there Pavine & the rest season at Spring & Dunn is working hard at Leguminosae.

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in Bank here is engraving on steel
for illustration is cutting himself too much
but keeps healthy well Mrs P. living
We have a surprise in store for her which
I will mention as a secret we are
going to elect her President of the Academy
then wont "the apple scow"

I keep well, work rather hard
good people and "Major & minor" functions
in good condition, you must go with us
to California next year & get young

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