Rec'd April 19th
Ans. May 15th

West-Chester, Penna: March 28. 1845.

Dear Sir, I duly received your esteemed favor of the 21st. August last - and with it a copy of your very interest:ing Dissertation De Anthologia; for which I beg you to accept my sincere thanks. I was much gratified to find that you had, at so early a day, turned your attention to that beautiful Eoathean doctrine of vegetation - and also to observe the ability and sagacity with which you had treated of it, so long before it was received, or understood, in this country. I have been so captivated and delighted with the new views it presents of the vegetable creation, that it constitutes, with me, the prin:cipal charm of Botanical Science.

From the remarks you make respecting two species of our Euphorbias - viz. E. hypericifolia and E. maculata, - I was induced, last autumn, to collect several specimens of each, for the purpose of sending them to you when opportunity offered: And I now avail myself of the proposed migration of my nephew, Mr. Baugh, to forward them to St. Louis. These are the species intended by the above names, in my Chester County Flora; and if I have been in error respecting them, or either of them, I should be happy to be corrected. I have added a specimen or two of a species of Euphorbia which I have called E. nemoralis, in my Flora: but I find, by Steudel's Nomenclator, that Kitai:bel had so named a species (probably prior to the publication of mine) - and therefore this one must have another name. I believe my friend Dr. Gray proposes to call it E. Darlingtonii. I have met with no Botanist who has ever seen this species, and therefore conclude it is undoubtedly new. Have you ever met with it? I also add some specimens of Scirpus (or Fimbristylis) Baldwinianus - supposing it may be rare with you. - Have you a copy of my Flora Cestrica? If not, I should be happy to send you one.

Very respectfully, your friend & Obdt. Servt,

Wm Darlington

Geo. Engelmann M.D.,
St. Louis, Missouri.

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West-Chester, Penna. March 28. 1845.

Dear Sir,

I avail myself a direct opportunity to accomplish a double object; viz. to send you a few specimens of those Euphorbias, referred to in your favor of August last, - and also to introduce to your acquaintance, and friendly notice, a young Gentleman in whose welfare I take a lively interest.

Mr. Joseph Hough, who will hand you the little parcel of specimens, and present this Letter, is about to proceed to St. Louis, to push his fortune - either in that City, or some other place in the great and growing West. He very naturally, and properly, desires to take with him some evidences of Character, in order to facilitate his advance to the acquaintance & confidence of respectable persons, in his new position - as well as to obviate those impediments to the favor of strangers, which necessarily attach to young adventurers who come without proper credentials: and it gives me great pleasure to be able to commend him to your favorable notice - and to that of any other gentlemen to whom it may be convenient for you to introduce him.

Mr. Hough is an estimable young man - sprung from one of the most respectable families in New Jersey - of great enterprise and aptitude for business; and I think, admirably qualified to work his way up in the world, among the active business men of the West. I am so well satisfied that he requires only a fair opportunity to prove himself possessed of those qualities which I have mentioned, that I have cordially approved of his determination to proceed to that great land of promise, the Valley of the Mississippi. Any friendly attentions, or facilities which you may be able to afford him, in promoting his laudable views, will be as meritedly bestowed, as they will be gratefully received; and will at the same time confer a special obligation upon, Dear Sir, your obliged friend

Geo. Engelmann M. D. St. Louis.

& obedt. Servt. Wm Darlington.

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Ans July 19th 1845

West-Chester, Pa May 28. 1845.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 16th inst. came to hand yesterday: and as I expect to go to Philad^a tomorrow, I shall take with me a copy of my Flora, & leave at Messrs Carey & Hart's Bookstore, to be forwarded to St. Louis. You will please accept it with my best respects. I shall be much obliged by any specimens of more western Plants which you may have to spare. They can be directed to the care of Carey & Hart, Corner of 4th & Chesnutt Streets, Philad^a and sent when opportunity offers. – There is a new edition of Dr. Gray's Botanical Text Book just published – a capital Elementary work for Beginners in Botany. The 9th vol. of De Candolle's Prodromus is also out.

Very respectfully yours, &c.

Wm Darlington

Geo. Engelmann, M.D.
St. Louis, Missouri

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West-Chester, Penn: Sept. 13. 1847.

Dear Sir, Allow me to ask your acceptance of the little volume which accompanies this. I have compiled it in the hope it might be useful to such young Farmers as have a desire to know something more of the plants which concern them, than is generally possessed by that class of our people: but whether or not my labor has been in vain, I shall cheerfully leave for time to determine. I have found my amusement in preparing the work; and I now have pleasure in tendering to you a copy – as a feeble token of the respect with which I have the honor to be, Dear Sir,

your friend & Obd.t Servant,

W.m Darlington

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Nutlow 6th

West-Chester, Pennᵃ.
Octo. 27. 1851.

Dear Sir, A day or two since, I received the package of dried Plants, which you forwarded by Mr. Riehl. I understand that gentleman's engagements prevented him from visiting our Village, - which I much regret. I cannot sufficiently thank you, for your very interesting present of Texan & Missouri Plants. They are nearly all new to me; and will make a valuable addition to the Herbarium of our Society, here, - which now contains upwards of seven thousand species.

Do you never visit our Atlantic Cities? I should be very glad to meet you, once, before I depart this life; and if you could not come to our place, I would call on you, in Philadelphia, - if I knew you were there.

Very truly, Dear Sir, your obliged Friend & Servant,
Wm Darlington

Dr. Geo. Engelmann,
St. Louis.

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Recd April 28th

West-Chester, Pa. April 2. 1856.

Dear Sir, Mr. W. B. Flanner, of Ohio, with whom I have been in correspondence for some time, writes me that he is about to travel through Missouri, and the Western Territories; and is desirous of the privilege of making your personal acquaintance. As Mr. Flanner, in his Correspondence with me, has manifested much taste for Natural History – especially Botany; and proposes to make collections of Specimens during his journey, I think it probable you would take an interest in his views and objects, – as I am very sure he would be gra=tified in becoming known to you; and in receiving such counsels, & sugges=tions, as your experience may ena=ble you to afford him. Any attentions, or civilities, which it may be convenient for you to extend to him, will confer a favor on him, and will be gratefully acknowledged by yours, very respectfully,

Wm Darlington

Dr. G. Engelmann,
St. Louis, Missouri.

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Rec'd July 28

West-Chester, Penn^a,
July 15. 1856.

Dear Sir, Mr. Howard Darlington, a near Relative of mine, sets out from here this afternoon for St. Louis, with a view to engage in business in your City.

He is a very worthy young man, and as it may be useful to him to make an early acquaintance with respectable residents, I beg to introduce him to you, – and to say, that any civilities to him will be regarded as favors to

your Friend & serv^t

Wm Darlington.

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Rec^d Dec 27th

West-Chester, Penn^a, Decr 22. 1859.

My dear Sir,

I owe you an apology for my seeming neglect, in so long delaying to acknowledge the receipt of your valu:=able Pamphlets, on the Buffalo Grass, and the species of Cuscuta. They reached me some 4 or 5 weeks ago; but in different health, and the infirmities incident to advanced age (being now in my 78th year), induced me to procrastinate my response until the present time.

I feel greatly obliged to you for those interesting works, - although, in my situation, I cannot hope to reciprocate such favors. Having never received Spe:=cimens of the Buffalo Grass, I have al:=ways, hitherto, been at a loss to compre:=hend its exact Botanical features: But your descriptions and illustrations are highly satisfactory, - and even if I should never see the plant itself, I think I have now a tolerable conception of its character. Your elaborate paper on

on the Cuscutae is exceedingly instruct=
=ive; and I acknowledge myself in=
=debted to you in former years, for a number
of very curious forms of that family.

Reiterating my deep sense of obligation
for the present, as well as for past favors,-
I remain, Dear Sir, truly & sincerely,
your friend and obedient servant,

Wm Darlington

George Engelmann, M. D.
St. Louis, Missouri.

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