

Rec^d Feb 28th
Ans. Aug. 26th

Manchester, N.H. Feb. 14th 1843.

My Dear Sir!

I received your reply to my letter of the 4th Ult. a few days since, and was not a little gratified of having the pleasure to enrol your name on my list of correspondents and contributors, — I shall be highly favoured, with the communication of any plants from your region, particularly the Compositae. Your suite of Luscutanear, are particularly desirable.

You say that you have not ^{yet} carefully examined the Gramineae & Cyperaceae, of your region. — I hope you will not be deterred from collecting such this season. I wish you would take the trouble, to collect and ^{send} me 4 or 5 specimens of each in good state. You are no doubt aware that the Carices should be collected when the seeds are somewhat matured but not ripe enough to shell out. (Better to collect the Carices at different stages of maturity and also the ripe seeds.)

I have been making up packages of my Carices and have still a goodly number left and I will cheerfully send such as I have to spare many of them are choice and very rare. They were mostly collected, in the central part of N. York, in the vicinity of the city of Utica. There are several species by no means common in any part of N. York I have ever visited; among them are *Carex exilis*, *Dumr.* *C. polymorpha*, *C. Barrattii*, *Dumr.* *C. livida* and others. But it is not worth while to trouble you



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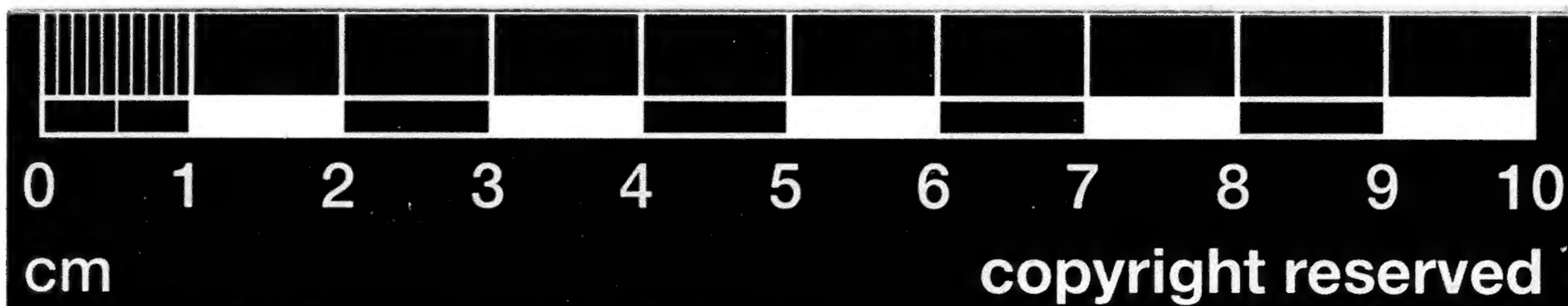
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With a list from memory of the plants, since I intend, if possible, to make out a list of the plants of Monmouth County in the course of next season which promises to be considerably extensive, comprising about 60 or 70 Miles of Sea coast and many thousand acres of Pine-Barrens, besides a considerable quantity of excellent land. The range is extensive, affording a great variety of soil and other peculiarities, which may afford many more rare and interesting plants to those already on the list. — The task of exploring the county is an arduous one yet I promise myself no small share of gratification in the undertaking. — I will send you a copy of the list as soon as made out, — I do not expect to collect all the plants that may grow in the County next season yet with the help of friends and what I have collected the two last seasons I hope to collect by far the greatest proportion of the Flora of this region. — I wish you would write to me immediately, and tell me to what place in N. York city I can direct a package, which will be convenient for you to call or send for; and I will embrace the earliest opportunity to send you a parcel; By the bye I presume that your Merchants deal in New York and that I might send by some of your Merchants. If I could find them out in N. York or were acquainted with what Houses they trade in that city. — Anything for me you will please send directed to the care of Mr. William Torrey, No. 20. Platt St New York until otherwise ordered.



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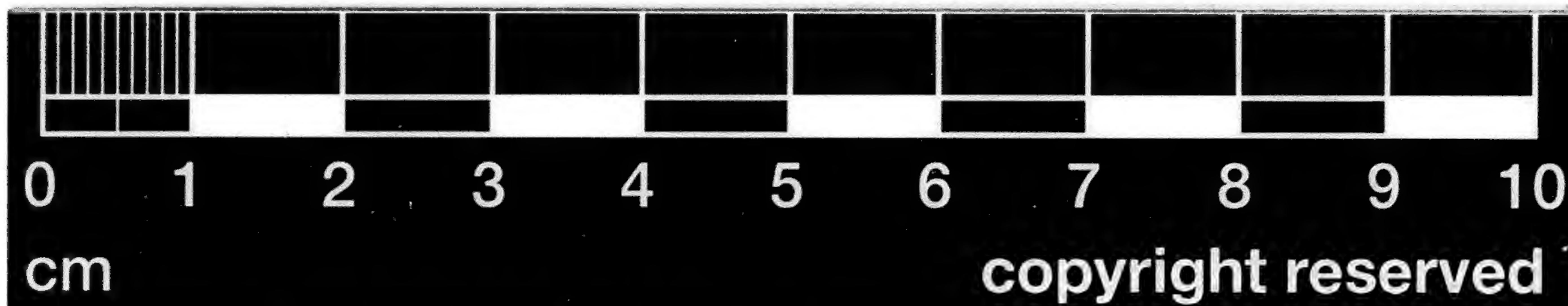
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I have about 110 species of Carices and wish very much to increase the number, I hope that you may afford something in this way as in addition, I have been perhaps too importunate in my requests, but be assured I feel as willing to give as to accept favours of this kind. If I had counted all the specimens I have communicated to my botanical friends I have no doubt it would amount to many thousands. & I hope if I live to communicate many thousands more.

Believe me very respectfully
Your Most Obedient Servant
P. A. Kruehner, M. D.

George Engelmann, M. D.



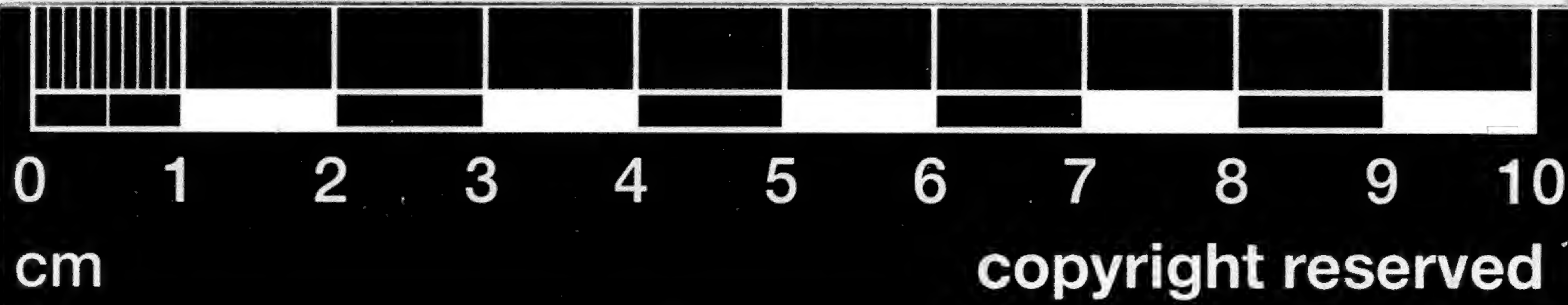
P.O. Messrs. Wm. Wood
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Rec^d Jan 3^d 1844

Manchester, N.J. 22^d Dec. 1843.

My Dear Sir!

Your long expected package came safely to land yesterday. — I had several times requested messengers to call and they invariably told me there was no such package at Wiley & Putnam's — I regret that I have not been able to send you a parcel before this time, but during the season of botanizing my leisure hours were occupied with making collections, and since that time I have been waiting to have convenient rooms completed to work at my plants more advantageously.

These are now finished but not quite dry enough to occupy. — I hope you will not be altogether discouraged with me as a correspondent, in making you returns so tardily — Pressing engagements in private and public business, as well as the duties of my profession and domestic affairs have claims on my time and exertions which are paramount to my botanical pursuits — Yet with my newly arranged plans I hope to do more even if it should deprive me of some of my sleeping hours. — Your plants were highly gratifying and nearly all of them are quite new to me. — I must confess that I am not well versed with the Compositae and every additional plant (which is well authenticated) of that Order I prize highly.

I think you informed me that you had not many Cyperaceous plants — of these I can supply you pretty liberally at least with such as are found here and in the State of New-York particularly of Carices —

1843
Dec 22^d
D.P.D. Knieskem
Manchester N.J.
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I have recently become much interested with the study of *Rhynchospora*, having discovered a species which is believed to be new by Drs. Torrey, Gray, Darlington, Sastwell, and Mr. Curtis, all well versed in Cyperaceous plants and which I have ventured to name as a small tribute of respect and well deserved merit *Rhynchospora Grayii*. It will probably soon be published in Silliman's Journal.

Your specimens of *Cuscuta* are particularly acceptable. I think there are not more than two species here —

But I will make further examinations to ascertain the fact. — Are you acquainted with Dr. S. B. Mead Postmaster at Augusta Illinois — He is an old botanist and has I believe collected extensively — He has sent me a small parcel of Western plants. —

Dr. Gray has made another tour over the Mts. of N. Carolina, &c chiefly for the purpose of collecting living plants, roots & seeds for his Botanic Garden at Cambridge and I learn he has been quite successful.

Dr. Torrey is ^{at} this time, hard at work, at his Flora of the State of New York, as State Botanist to the Geological Survey — I must here close this letter.

Your most obedient,
and humble servant.
P. D. Mishern.

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Rec^d Oct 16th

Ans Nov 21

Manchester, N. J. Oct. 46

Dr. Engelman.

My Dear Sir.

I ought to have an apology long ago for not promptly replying, your favour sent some two years since. The plants though not many were of the most interesting kind, well preserved & of acceptable genera & species some I had not before seen. I began immediately to put you up a parcel of my best plants but owing to embarrassments and perplexities incident to ——— I was obliged often to remit my favourite pursuit and toil for the necessaries of life. — The parcel is till on hand but was thought too meagre to forward after having (I believe) promised you all the fine plants of New Jersey. — However Providence permitting I hope to send you something this Fall or Winter. — Inclosed I send you a specimen of *Schizua pusilla* of which I have just collected a supply of specimens in fine order. — Last June I made a botanical trip to the shore of Lake Ontario hoping to obtain some rare Northern plants. — In part I was successful — obtaining a supply of *Draccephalum parviflorum* which had not been seen for the last 8 years — *Carex cravii*, *Saxifraga* ~~accedens~~



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with a large number of other rare plants
I did not obtain *Carex aristata* the locality
has been exhausted. — I begged two or three
specimens of *Calypso borealis*. One of them I
sent to Dr. Torrey another to Pro. M. A. Curtis &
I may squeeze you out another — Next season
I will get all I can, several. Another botanist
has kindly offered to collect it for me
& I must here close but more anon.

Very respectfully Yours
P. D. Killip

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