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Dear Sir

Allow me to introduce to you the Doctor Young, a son of an old friend of mine, who visits the West in the hopes of following his profession. He comes well recommended by Professor Silliman and others who have become acquainted with him in the course of his studies and elsewhere. any assistance or advice you may be inclined to bestow upon him will be accounted by me as a favour.

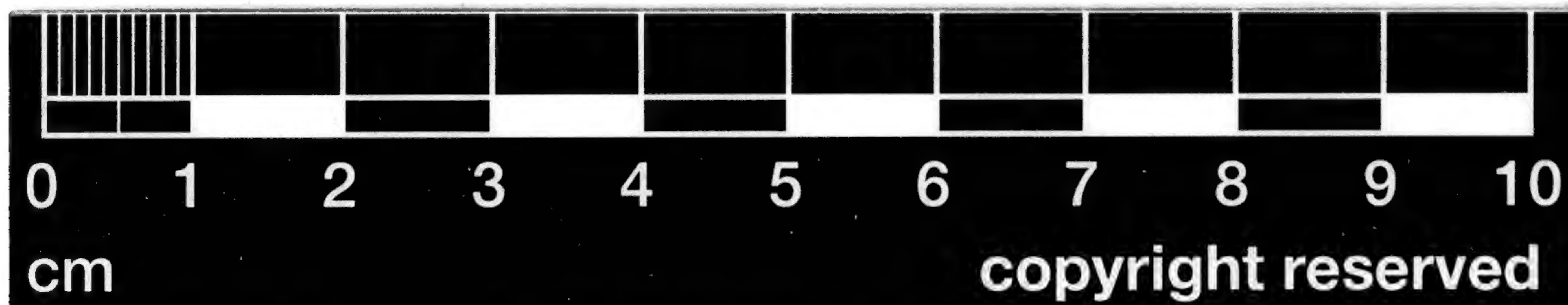
Your knowledge of the West and probably of the country he wishes to visit, may prove useful to him and you will therefore probably excuse me the liberty I have taken of addressing you in his behalf.

I remain your

Obliged Servant

Thos. Nuttall

Excuse me for enquiring if you have heard any thing of the Santa Fee expedition in wh. Mr. Gambell went, or any thing concerning him. If you can find a moment to spare to tell me any thing about him, I shall be exceedingly obliged



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Doctor Engleman,

Dear Sir,

I some time since, on the return of the Santa Fe traders, received a letter from Mr. Gambel to whom I took the liberty of introducing you last Spring. he was on the 24th of July at Sta Fe, and intended about the middle of August to start for California with a party of Americans and Mexicans, and is I suppose by this time in California. He also said that he was sending on to me a part of the collections he had made up to that place by another party returning to St. Louis in October. If any thing should arrive for me will you favor me by receiving the same, and advise John H. Bernard doctor or druggist in St. Louis who honored Mr. Gambel's bill of credit from G. W. Carpenter to be so obliging as to defray the freight of the same, and charge it to the account of G. W. Carpenter, Druggist Market St. Philadelphia. As I shall be in England when the packages arrive, I shall be again obliged to Dr. Bernard, to ship the



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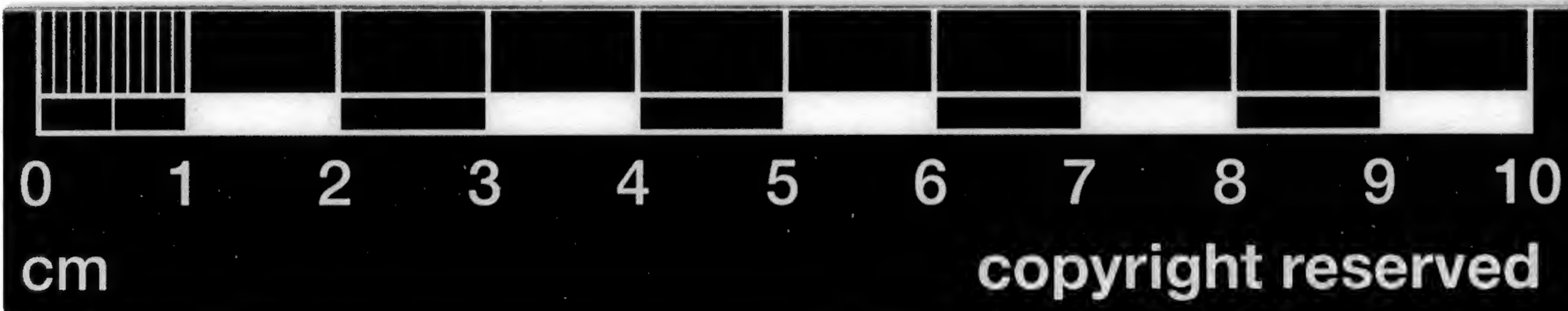
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same to New Orleans to the care of Brander, Wright & Co.
in New Orleans, forwarding brokers, desiring them to ship them
by the earliest opportunity to Liverpool (England), to the direction
of Thos. Nuttall, Liverpool, to the care of Thos. Crook, Esq.
Exchange Street, East. Liverpool. I am thus particular and
anxious about these collections as they will be seeds, & perhaps
some living plants, w^h will require, the most immediate
attention to preserve them alive, & w^h I intend to make
the most of solely for the benefit of Mr. Gamber, who has this, at the risk of life and health, as well as
considerable expense, undertaken to augment our knowledge
of a region hitherto scarcely at all explored. In giving
you this trouble, I hope my excuse will be in some measure
the advancement of our favorite science.

A letter that may arrive by the last of this
month may still find me here, as I intend going to
Liverpool by the 1st of December. I am now busy
with bringing out an extensive addition to a new edition
of Michaux's Sylva. I shall add 120 plates of species
hitherto not included in our list of forest trees.
By the bye, in the vicinity of Cincinnati
Mr. Lea, an ardent botanist has collected & sent to
me specimens of an oak w^h we took to be



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that exceedingly rare species. The Quercus heterophylla of Michx.,
but wh. we both now consider as a distinct species. It has the
same smooth, simply lobed, ^{sub}pinnatifid leaves, the lobes entire
with setaceous points, & a conic, striated acorn in a rather
shallow cup, not distinguishable from Michx.'s figure of the
fruit of Q. heterophylla, but the leaves have long petioles like the
red & black oak, & are much broader, & as the
whole more allied to the Q. tinctoria; the acorns are also deep
yellow at the base. I have mentioned this tree for your
examination, as it probably grows near you. I don't like
the idea of the existence of natural hybrids. but these 2 putrid
oaks seem very much like it. At the same time I know
no parents wh. they can have to produce such forms.
Oak is certainly allied to Q. tinctoria, & Q. ambigua of
Michx. but not more than to these latter one to Q. coccinea
& Q. rubra.

Excuse the liberty I have taken to trouble

you with my concerns, but believe me

Your obliged friend

Thos. Nuttall.



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