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New York City
October 6th [1852?]



Sir,

Having recently returned from an exploring expedition to the sources of Red river, in the course of which I have traversed about one thousand miles of country which has hitherto been wholly unknown, and having collected a large herbarium during this exploration, I am anxious to have it placed in the hands of an experienced botanist to be analyzed and described.

Knowing that you have taken a deep interest in every thing that relates to the botanical history of our country, I take the liberty of addressing you at this time for the purpose of ascertaining whether it would suit your views and convenience to analyze and describe the specimens referred to, in which event I will forward them to you immediately with a sketch of the country passed over that you may see at a glance where each specimen was found.

The plants are all sealed upon sheets of paper each marked with the day of the month when it was found and are I think in a good state of preservation.

The district of country within which the *Subsericeus*
was collected is embraced within the 33^d and 36th
degrees of North latitude and the 97th and
the 103^d degrees of West longitude. —

Will you have the kindness to write me upon
this subject at this place and direct your letter
to Capt. R. B. Marcy, U. S. A. No 115. South St. ?

very respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servt.
R. B. Marcy.

To,

Professor Torrey
Princeton College
New Jersey.

