

My dear friend!

Since two letters sent to You I heard nothing, till yesterday - very late, & feed-entered my hands Your letter d. d. 30th. which brought me a delightful notice: the possibility of seeing us once more! Pray, my good and beloved friend, make true, what You give only in prospect. But for the purpose that we ought truly meet, it is necessary to give me ample notice on your voyage in all its directions! I must tell you that I am attached to Munich by service till 30 - 24th Aug; afterwards travels or staying in the neighbourhood of M. shall be planned after the circumstances and especially after Mrs. Martin's health, which since four years is rather bad (nervous complaints) so that I do not know, what physicians may consult. In no case we shall be in Munich during September. We dwell in Sept. and Oct. at Schlehdorf on the Lac of Kochl, 2 miles from Murnau (pray, look on your map), one of the most beautiful places in the bavarian alps, where we are at home fine 30 years. If therefore not a rendezvous elsewhere would unite us, I should be very happy to invite You for Schlehdorf, from whence we could make some parties into the Tirol, or in the finest part of Germany in the Salzhaeuergut (Fischl etc.) If such a plan would agree, I would come search You on your way, or meet with You in Switzerland. On the other hand I must say, that the association of Gen. naturalist will unite 18 - 28 Sept. in Greifswalde where a conflux of northern men shall be very gratifying, and which I was not unwilling to frequent on this occasion. I shall be very happy to hear from Your plans before You leave Boston. Pray write me some full letter with Your designs planned out. Perhaps Wallich, Hooker and A. Brown would be in the party or of the southern or of the northern direction. It is an old wish, I entertain, that these noble friends would come altogether. But there is also to consider, that Munich so highly ornamental and classically illustrated by fine arts must in any way be visited; and it is necessary to know a what a period You would come. Perhaps even all could be united, if You start immediately from London for Switzerland and go then through Lindau, Munich, Thorensberg, Lippiz, Berlin to Greifswalde. In this case I think I would go with You, and if not illad. M. one or two of my daughters would perhaps also be of the party, because I longer, to few to these northern Germany which they never saw. Now, You may make out how it would be too cross convenient, and I pray You to notice it as soon as possible to me.

I have announced to you in a former letter reception of Vol. 2. of your noble Genera, and I repeat my best thank for this highly accomplished present. But I did not receive the other 5 copies of vol. 2. and fearing that you would not have received my notice about the placement of this (I have some suspicion, that some letters of mine where miscarried by an infidelity) I repeat here:

1 Copy was sent and paid with 14 florins by Hugo Mohl, Tübingen.
2 — to Link and the R. Library 30 — at Berlin
1 — to Treviranus 15 —

So that I received for you 59 florins (I stated the price to Mohl at 14 flor. and to the others at 15 f. after having spoken with a bookseller who found 15 fl. convenient)

The fifth copy was sent to Fenzl, but from him I have no notice, whether he will take it, or any library at Vienna.

Pray, send the copies of Vol. 2. to the Gentlemen above directly by a bookseller, who ought to be directed to touch immediately the money. As Mr. Putnam has without doubt a Commissioner at Leipzig, it shall be well ordered in this way. If not advise him the following honest men: 1) Leopold Voß, 2) Freder. Fleischer (my commissioner)
3) Rud. Hartmann (Commissioner of Williams and Norgate at London).

It would be in general very convenient when you name a Leipzig Commissioner for you and for your american Academies, because sending books and other parcels to Leipzig is better, then to send them to Hamburg, which is not so frequent and commodious an expedition.

My Palmerae are finished and you shall receive it perhaps perhaps before you travel. It was a hard task, and I am afraid very few will take the trouble of studying what I did there. But from your high and florished spirit I expect some notice about the results given there.

Ledebour would send me a letter for you. He is in pretty good health. As his letter did not arrive, I send this and shall take the opportunity of writing to you a second time. For this time

Farewell! Truly and heartily obliged yours

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