

Munich, 14 Sept.

live. Providence has indicated to man as long
and painful struggle for arriving to humanity;
and quite all exertions for the triumph of love
and charity, of wisdom all clear science has missed
only the compromises between plus and minus. Look
on the history of thy great and noble hearted ger-
man people! Is it not divided till to its interior
roots by the wars of free thinking and ignorance, of
papal institutions and liberal antagonisms of wan-
cing and retrograde powers? Humanity is like this
Beetle the Cicindela, which flies on 3 steps and
turns back one! Therefore I wish, that prudent
and benevolent persuasions would conduct to a
peace, which satisfies all two parties, in consolida-
ting the northern estates for harmless evolution to
general freedom and the southern for such propor-
tions as the historical traditions and the necessity
of existence may recommend. "In dubiis libertas, in
necessariis unitas, in omnibus charitas." T. Aug. Beau.
From your letter I see with great satisfaction,
that You and your lovely lady have enjoyed

My very dear fr
Litterae non exubescunt.
very deeply in sitting down
and my face is red from sha
since I did not write to you
are in any calamity, then
to declare our sympathy. So al
a stimulus to say that I am s
the great trial of a civil war,
be the source of manyfold bitters
I did it not, the principal reas
depression of mind, caused by t
strous accidents in my family:
brother in law, who left us
of my good old aunt Amelie
with us as a flourishing exa
of my good mother in law! &
Then sorrow overcame me &
and the only happy circumstan
succeeds very well in his chear

now in the laboratory of Mr. Hofea seen in
R. Coll. of Chemistry at London and on a vi-
sit here for the moment. To morrow I shall
start with him for Spica, to be at the general
german meeting of Naturalists some of his pri-
cipal men, tutors and preceptors. He shall by all
means reside 1 - 2 years in Engl, and as he has 3
months free every year, he can come see us. If my
health continues as (God may be praised) it is

tolerably enough now, I shall go once more to Lon-
don next year for the Exhibition. I have worked hard
ly with 50 plates for Bentham's *Dalbergiae & Lycos-*
iae which are finished; also the text is quite im-
pressed; I have also done something for my lingui-
stic pursuit and I hope that this winter I can come
to an end with this very penile task, an abstrac-
se matter best for a philosophical head not
without gratifying results. Many instances poor provinces.
The languages are all wizled. For an example

: Bubunka is the name of
uosa Palm on the amazon. the
from the araucan Babn or
and the taipi: ia = fructas! of
american Palmfruit. Many ve-
getable ur or ur venice, ar
& relativum: the fence is que-
cadet! You see this specula-
realt.

But now enough about this
say, that I am very happy &
and with classical strength of
highly aduised good lady You
tune of a civil war, which entan-
gels and cruizing feelings. You
friend Martin enough for Cey-
with all my sympathy on the p-
without gratifying results. Many instances poor provinces. I am a enemy of s-
the old and widely expanded connection of language and by experiences, and I wish,
amongst all barbarous nations of South America. would finish with the end of slave-
I think not, that this will be the

as long as I can. What you order to say to
the corresponding librarian of our Acad. shall
go in order, and I shall superintend, that you reci-
ve the acad. public: in due order. I wish very much,
that you may not want printing and payment of your
always so valuable works. Macte virtute tua and
go on: fideliter, fortiter: feliciter! I have received
by your kindness in April 4 numbers of Allman and your
very excellt. second edition of Wallace and Darwin, with
which I totally sympathise. Daubeny's remarks on the
final cause of the sexuality of plants, have not satis-
fied. He is not philosopher enough and not by proper expe-
rience, a Botanist. I cannot say, what are the last numbers
received, because I have them at Schlehd., but of dried speci-
mens of which you speak, I have nothing received. If you will
from me some dried plants of the elder published I have
a small set, but in general I became very poor. Have
you duplicates of the Polytechnian? and what would
you expect in return? — I am happy, very happy,
that you will introduce my pamphlet on Humboldt.
It has won many good sympathies. Carus, Wedge-
wood etc. wrote me express to explain them.
How is Agassiz? Say him kind and friendly words from
my part. He shall be very much affected by Mr. Brauns
disaster, whose son "died all". My copy of the
Proceed. of the Amer. Acad. is very defective. Dare
I give you list of my defects? — Adieu my excel-
lent heartily beloved friend. My regards to your Lady
and to all friends. Write me very soon. I am
in trust affection for ever Your affec. Hartius

of a happy pilgrimage
help up a depressed mind, than
felt a most beneficial infla-
mation in which I spent 4 week
nial to such sensations was
back with his excellent wife
Both remained 5-6 days we
also Fechner (the "nana," or
author) and the Philosopher
dorff and Henry Rose also Ju-
dorff, also we saw the Geolog
my old caudid friend Andreae
learned Zoology and Palaeontol-
wished to see distinguished by
ge) is even now with my daug-
in law Graft of Shaysburg at
hope to be back in 8-12 days
see on this tour alts my old fri-
Grisebach is a very learned
Professor comme il faut. You
often the object of our discou-



Martius, Karl Friedrich Philipp von. 1861. "Martius, Karl F. P. von Sept. 14, 1861." *Asa Gray correspondence. Senders* McA-Ma

View This Item Online: <https://www.biodiversitylibrary.org/item/224822>

Permalink: <https://www.biodiversitylibrary.org/partpdf/250597>

Holding Institution

Harvard University Botany Libraries

Sponsored by

Arcadia 19th Century Collections Digitization/Harvard Library

Copyright & Reuse

Copyright Status: Public domain. The Library considers that this work is no longer under copyright protection

License: <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/4.0/>

This document was created from content at the **Biodiversity Heritage Library**, the world's largest open access digital library for biodiversity literature and archives. Visit BHL at <https://www.biodiversitylibrary.org>.