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San Francisco Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> 1893

Prof. Gray

Dear Sir -

Yours of 16<sup>th</sup> inst. came to hand Saturday last - was sorry to hear of your illness - Trust this will find Richard himself again. Your announcement of intention to devote the best part of <sup>your</sup> valuable life to the flora of N. America pleased me beyond measure. Good I find the good work. 'just think of it. 'the best part of half a century ago I subscribed for that work. 'Still not completed - and the anxiety it has been to me ever scouting the frontiers far away from books of reference, until in part of late - nor even yet the privilege of consulting verified Herbaria.

In remitting, I was well aware many things were not handy with you - also many seeds - but in view of exchanges and for your correspondents abroad tho't they would be acceptable - any disposition or arrang<sup>t</sup> is acceptable - will try and not trouble in these matters hereafter.



I stand corrected on the H. Corn quest<sup>on</sup>  
— for myself never thought of accepting such  
an idea — but willing to accord my rights  
to others who do — glad to find it was a mistake  
of mine.

Was not aware of oversight in sending some  
unlabeled — perhaps these were wrapped  
already in paper (usually names included)  
and were not inspected in the heat of  
checking a package. Perhaps they  
may be poor types of *Picus flexilis* of  
our Sierras.

Excuse me for taking up a moment of  
your most valuable time.

Anything you desire, do please  
let me know — entirely at your own  
convenience.

Yours truly

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