

Madrid, Oct. 22, 1880

My dear Watson,

By the time this reaches you, I suppose you will be in Cambridge, & I long to hear what you have done. Goodale will give you news of us, and Jackson perhaps mine. (Orestes is revised).

A pleasant fortnight at Kempt almost a week in Paris, and then the journey down the Loire to Orléans & Tours, & on to Bourges and here, stopping only at Bourges. We have had almost a week here, & leave to-night for Toledo, then on to Cordova, Seville, Granada, &c. We have left behind all old weather, find Madrid even rather too warm than cold. We have enjoyed much.

The Herbarium here does not help us much; possibly long search among unarranged things, might yield a little more but I have done what I could in the time. The types of Cavanilles, Lamour & his Dis., are mostly here, fairly well preserved & carefully ticketed. Very many things of Moench who went everywhere - and a good many of Moench's Herse (only one or two found from California & one - a Helianthemum - said to be from Mexico - but all unnamed or with unpublished or guessing names. Nothing has been done here, not an American plant named since Cavanilles or perhaps Lagasca - tho' I can get nothing I need named by them.

I send you a few notes, for preservation, in case my note book is lost. I select only the most important, -

Malva miniata, Cav. really comes from
Buenos Ayres. The wild specimen, clearly
same as the pl. H. Mart. 1785, & put into it
by Cav. is "e cerro Pampas de Buenos Ayres",
was cult. down to 1806, & 1825, & later
years. Chile &ee, same. It is the
common & rather polymorphous Buenos-
Ayres & Chilean species.

Virgilia secundiflora, Cav. is really
the *Euphorbia secundiflora* speciosa of
Texas.

Clonme uniglandulosa, Cav. = the Texas
mostly large form, larger than the
common Texas. - like the figure. - Spec.
cult. & a wild one "A. cupuleo".

Gaura triptala, Cav. = ours, Texas
hab. Mart.

Gaura mutabilis, Cav. = a real
Gaura, by the fruit, like the plate.
The fruit is that of *Gaura* inside.
I have never seen it elsewhere.

Aletris mexicana, Cav. = our
plant of Calif. &

A. virgata, Lag. ! H. Mart. 1806
& 1817 = *A. linearis*, Mart. = the one
I thought in Tex. Fl.

A. linearis Cav. ! Yes, in fruit also !

"*Victoriana acillaris*" Moench & Arn.
no. 1781: the only one in the herb. of
this sort, must be the original of
V. ipomoeifera De. Mart. & is the
one I have so called in Fl. &c.

Gnindelia glutinosa, i.e. *Aster gluti-
nosus*, Cav. is from Arica, Peru.
Also H. Mart. 1792; & Mexico -
but I doubt Mexico = glutinosa.
The other *Gnindelia* are here.

Gutierrezia
Schizogon of Calif. & Mex. } not found

This is all that need be
noted now.

Great variety shown
here to day; King, queen &
baby going to church in state,
by our windows.

Yours ever A. Gray

Till you & Goodale hear again
address Care Hottelinger & Cie,
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Provence, Paris.



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