

I am glad you are doing
some work while the
boat is here. Do all you
can for Smithsonian -
for I mean to make
Henry pay something
and take a set of your plants.

Agassiz wants me to
ask you to collect small shells,
insects, and especially little
fishes for him - to put
them all right into bottles of
spirit - as strong as possible
spirit. He says he will pay
I suppose he might. But
I think you had better collect
all these things for the
Smithsonian in the first
instance, and let Baird
divide with Agassiz, if
he likes.

I'll take good care about
the Fern-stems, and will not

truncate any of them, not I.
I am on the watch for a
Santiago Novel, to send you.
Dictionary - But I fear
a letter if they come while
you are away in the interior.
Your fields are quite
desirable; for you must

The Bombaceous tree
you write of is either Ochroma
(which you got first time, mostly
in fruit) or Eriodendron - by
the character.

Thurber is gone to Michi-
gan to live - so I have nobody
to do jobs for me in New
York. But Eaton is soon
to be settled there, and he
is the best man for all
that. I shall turn
him to account.

The Democratic Convention

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Dictionaries to - But I fear
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Will Brooks & Co. take good
care of them, or let them lie in
Custom House?

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held at Charleston, managed
and disposed in rather adverse
in two sections, without
making any nomination
for President.

Your Mother has probably
told you that the Reluctant
can have kept Connecticut,
also New Hampshire, this year.

Ever Yours cordially

Asa May



Gray, Asa. 1860. "Gray, Asa May 7, 1860 [enclosed fragment]." *Charles Wright correspondence with Asa Gray*

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