

tomorrow morning. I hope to  
hear from Caton what is  
done about funds. Then I  
hope he has waited still,  
for I am confident you  
will be down here next week.  
My pur. money shall soon  
be in your hands.

I am poorly. There is a  
cold spell now this week  
after Tuesday; but I was  
so waked up and tired out,  
that I have done nothing  
but write a few letters. —  
my head has been weak &  
confused. — a warning to me  
to spare it more.

Well: when your plants  
come, I will have them  
at once overhauled and  
put into sets. — numbering  
up as well as I can from  
S. Cather, and trying  
to put into sets for the  
subscribers only those  
they have not already had.

Cambridge. May 28, 1853  
My Dear Night

To-morrow is Stevana  
mail-day. And I must  
acknowledge yours of April 10,  
30', and May 14.

I hear from Master =  
mane St. that they have  
received the bill of lading  
of your ship, but not yet the  
expected instructions. I directed  
the Plants to be sent on to  
me, and the Zoological  
Specimens to the Smithsonian  
Inst. — unless Dr. Baird  
ordered otherwise meanwhile.

It is still to me plain  
as day that Riverside  
is not so near the end  
of his wits as to pay to  
you in Stevana ~~gold~~  
dollars in Stevana, for  
Grentzsch paper ones  
in New York, where the  
former is at 50 (or over) 43

per cent) premiums.  
What he meant —  
thinking that Dollars  
mean Dollars — was to  
pay you in Hawaii —  
gold for gold in Alaska  
— which would be a con-  
venience to him.

But ever since your  
first request I have  
been on the look out  
to buy gold as soon as  
it should get down to near  
140, and deposit there.  
And \$150 Cunney has  
been in Eaton's hands  
for the purpose — and  
perhaps the gold was  
bright, like I got you  
last (of May 14) saying  
it is now too late.

So, I have written to Eaton

to tell him, if he has not  
deposited to save it, and  
buy exchange on Hawaii.  
But I trust, he is waiting,  
as I should wait, to hear  
of the fall of Nicksburgh,  
— when we shall be able to  
buy gold at below 140.

Come it must: for it  
is clear there will be  
no hold up till the South  
give in. If they want  
utter desolation, they  
can have it. — if they  
wish to save something  
the sooner they apply, the  
better.

But you —  
whose heart is with them  
do not care to read my  
remarks on this subject.

Before I close this letter,

29<sup>th</sup> May

Dear W.

Ratoni's letter came this morning, and with it the deposit.

Riverton ought to be glad to give you gold spec or exchange charts. - or with his endorsement, Sauvage would cash it freely.

By the time you want some I hope gold will be only 10 per cent premium.

Ever Yours  
A. Gray

and then distributing the W. Bullets all under new and advanced pros.

Tell Sauvage there are no sets left of the former distributions, except the one reserved for you. I suppose you hardly like to spare him that.

Shall a set of the ensuing distribution be reserved for him, or for any one else in Buta?

Dr. W. Barb. is not on sale. The copies are (books the 1<sup>st</sup>, in Man., Mus. Acad.) all given - or to be given away - by mistake & by myself.

Richard James Gay - of Matansas (Cave of Jay, Morales Hr.) shall have a copy and also of ~~Tobacco~~<sup>Tea</sup>, Felicia, But. - as soon as we can get it to him or to you.

By the way M. Sauvage

and more a set of your  
Leaves - 8 sets still on  
hand, the largest 192  
Leaves. = \$19. - Also the  
Lichens are now putting  
up by Beckmann. And  
there is the next set of  
Mosses for \$14. -

Shall I send them?

Sir, pray doffs that  
your Ancistrophus. You  
want catch me naming  
another Cutan plant, any  
day. And what good  
would it have done for me  
to alter this name? - &  
bring out your name as  
Hammelium, or Verbascaria, when  
Schultz, Bip., had already  
published it as Hammelium  
Miguelii (in Bryopladia).  
And thus it was too late  
to restore your name.

I shall hereafter forward  
all your names to President  
religiously, - and I presume  
he will respect them.

Your events to Gen.  
Bl. & Co. went at once to  
Harker.

Hemianthus adenantheroides  
adenantherum is bad name  
now. Shall it be adenander?

Good old Dr. Darlington  
is dead!

Sir ~~the~~ Harker we were  
last year very anxious,  
over. But now he is  
well & hearty. Dr. Winkles  
wishes.

Mrs. Gray is transiently  
ill. - but on the whole is  
better than in former years.

Ever Yours cordially  
John Gray



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