

of me) being very busy, I
did not for some days send
it on to Westminster St.

You did not write me
that there was any thing
under my bill of lading
for Smithsonian Institution,
- so I could give no in-
structions about them.

Well, next Westminster is
Curtain (there being reported
to W. so many packages
of Botanical specimens -
so many of Zoological,
W. & L. write to me to
~~ask of all~~ say they
find W. & L. and will
send all to me.

I reply, send all the
Zoological to the Smithso-
nian Institution, and
divide the Champs. pro
rata. They do so.

As they wrote nothing

Cambridge. 18th Sept. 1863
Dear Wright.

We got off for our
much needed holidays the
3rd of August - as soon as
my Gray was well enough -
we had a nice holiday
and returned, much refreshed,
at the close of the month.

No news from you till within
about a week, when your
letters have come in one
after the other. - namely -
Yours of July 15, from Katisw.
(via Withersfield) - then -

July 27 - Aug. 12, Torcanov-
skid to - Aug -
Sept. 5 - 7 - from Katisw.

That thing with balloons
thing influences, of which
there is sketch of print in
yours of 15 July. I can tell
nothing about. Enthusiasm
- ~~arriving~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~hands~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~public~~ ~~and~~ ~~no~~ ~~body~~ ~~can~~ ~~tell~~ ~~about~~ ~~now~~.

Am you get your eyes
brought up so with poi-
sonous Euphrasiae

What Don Jose affirms
about coast and mountain
vegetation being much the
same is curious - unlikely,
yet you seem to find it so.

That bit of coast with all
microphyllous & spring vegetation
is also curious.

I should be glad to see San-
valle - hope Torrey will at
last visit.

As to Richard, James Kaye
I sent off the parcel for
him to Matanzas, in a
sloop (no vessel from
Boston) in July.

I am glad you like him
for being an abolitionist
I do not very much of an
abolitionist myself, at the
start, I hope I can fall in
with, and welcome, the cry of
Providence, when Providence
takes the matter in hand,
and says Amen.

That Couprinta with small
head among the radical leaves
is of no pillsted genus
that I know. I think it
Melampyroides, but the
fruit is wanted. I have seen
you will secure it. In the
specimen sent I had only
waves, - those of disk flowers (2)
apparently abortive.

About the direction of
your parcels intended for
Smithsonian. I had no
design to find fault with
you, but to explain how it
happened, without our fault,
(and through some looseness
in yours) that time was
lost and express thereby
increased.

1. You sent me the bill
of lading, and name to
Carrigee, Westman. &c
You did not tell me that
you had sent by steamer,
I inferred it was by a
sailing vessel, - so careless

something in hand there
for the purpose.

Well, you are doing well
in Britain, and should
finish up Cuba Britain
while you are at it.
And, on your return, you
and Elizabeth should
give Leans, and do up
Cuba Britain in a full
memoir. You are right to

stay till next spring. You
are happy in Cuba, you
could not be so here.

Things in U.S. do not go to
suit you at all. Things
is cracking, and in the right
way, - but the end must be
the total suppression of the
rebellion, - the exile or punishment
most of rebel leaders, the
return of the means to their
debt, and they will put things
straight. But what is now
going on in Tennessee, will

about any address to the
Smithsonian, I presumed
there was none. Most
likely, there was. But
you see, all coming under
one bill of lading, as for
me, and no official
directions to them. The
letter could easily happen.

Easy to avoid it next
time.

About ~~that~~ an unfortunate
kindred - Wendell trans-
action. You find "a
sneering tone" in my mention
of "Landlady's excellent con-
tinuance". !!

Really, I must be careful.
I had no idea of any such
thing! As to the ques-
tion at issue, we may
make it short. You give
in two letters, as in former
ones - an inquisitorial

to the intent that it was likely that Riverend meant to make a liberal present to you (a stranger) by giving gold for U. States paper money, face for face - i.e. giving you \$50 right out.

But when you saw him, you did not ask him what he had intended.

I thought you and Goodrich had misapprehended his meaning, - so unlikely thing, I think, and no painful or injurious imputation to be resented. This, after all, thinking it over and over, still appears to me the most probable solution.

But it is easy to make, and is with your whole

if your view is correct. You have only to ask, or have Goodrich ask Riverend, if he intended, at a time when paper money here was at 40 to 50 per cent. discount for gold, to give you in Havana \$100 in gold for a deposit of \$100 in green-bucks in New York.

If he says yes, then I was, as I ought, make up the \$50 to you at once.

You have excellent friends in Cuba. I read on it. They will gladly advance to you when you need. And when you next want to replenish, I will draw on Hambly for your share. I am getting

not possible is secured.
It could take the place on
the list of Dr. Stuart's net,
which now drops, by his
death.

When the Union is restored
(which it is of course, when
the rebellion is put down)
those who do not love us
will expect to resume their
rights and privileges, have
only to take themselves off
to some country they like
better. U.S. America
belongs to loyal Ameri-
cans. After the war
the country will prosper
undoubtedly, and the South
will get to be something
goodnight. Ever

Yours
Asa Gray
As to address, you told us to
direct to care of Saurville
you never countermanded or changed
the direction.

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go on elsewhere. I suppose.
I know only one man
in Cambridge (Treadwell) that
you could talk ~~decently~~ to.
We can correspond very
well, and keep cool. But,
if we were together, during
the war, we should get into
a row at once. It could
not be otherwise.

Butler is one of your
brother Democrats, and a
very able and good fellow,
I suppose. All the talk
about him is probably more
trash. The barbarities are
pretty much all on the rebel
side. You will hear
one of these days; but your
Union friends have been mar-
tyred in Texas, etc, etc, etc.

Jeff. Davis's Library is sold
I believe, and letters in the
hand of Government, to blast
some people, and I hope

to commit some of ~~their~~
treasure by evidence under
their own hands.

Never mind Cula Viatic
in the heading. The ~~next~~
shall be Cula generally,
of course. (But as to the
two divisions, Lippincott
Gmelin, & Scapularis the
two great divisions)

As to Gmelin's argu-
ing about your collection,
you could answer most of
them. & I will also

1. No full set to be had.
For the 1860-1 coll. was
at once all taken up. And
no sets are left of ~~the~~
Pharyngans or the other
published distributions

Olney, & Pringle, had
the last. He might sell
out. As many as

possible were saved for
you, as you directed. But
not more than $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{2}{3}$
of the species. Set. of ~~the~~
the Terms are still to be
had. And in the
next great distribution.
viz. - of all you have
collected for the last 2 or
3 years, a set can
be spoken, and it will
contain very many of
the old numbers. - so as
to make out a pretty
fair representation of your
collections.

Price \$10 per 100 species
Distributed with numbers.

And the names to match
published or to be published
There, that is about it.

Tell Gmelin to pro-
cure the order and we
will see that the best



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