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Mr Gray
Dear Sir I have now selected and
set apart from my herbarium such spec-
imens of plants as I thought would be
new to you or would be of service in the
perfecting of your work if they should in
any wise contribute to your amusement
or emolument I shall be pleased I have
been constrained to condense them into a
space as small as possible for want of
paper I have preserved numerous speci-
mens corresponding with those I have
sent with the exception of a few of which
I preserved only a single specimen In many
cases I have added the sign of doubt? to the
name and if the conjecture be judiciously made
it will be unnecessary to say any more about it
Where a mistake has been made in the naming
I shall be pleased if you will rectify it In some
cases minute descriptions have been given from
the recent plant and on the spot where it was
found In all cases average specimens have been
chosen The maps and flowering plants are almost
all of my selecting and arranging Dr. Ratch under-
took to arrange and examine the Lichens but has
had no time to spare from the duties of his profession
I will therefore send you whatever we have found
without any regard to order and number
Perhaps you may find something new among them
Inclosed in a box you will find some specimens
of fungi parasitic on insects and a curious
cocoon of some insect which was found fastened to
the bark of a tree by a pedicel
The maps and hepatica are in a book which

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which I thought could not be better employed

It is more than probable that you will find the same plants in different places and different numbers, which could not well be avoided considering the imperfect means I am possessed of for determining species. Some maps I have been watching all winter that are not yet come to maturity which shall be secured when fit for examination. I believe I have found but one map which is so manifestly different from any genus in Eaton that it would properly constitute ^{any one} or belong to one already established but not in his latest edition. It is numbered 25.

I shall start in a few days to reside some time on the Rio Colorado and would with pleasure receive any communication from you. Please direct to Calusumbas Colorado County, but any letters you may write with reference to these plants and the corresponding ones which I retain may be directed to Dr John A. Watch, Natchez, Liberty County, as I shall leave all my plants in his care when I go westward.

Dear Sir

Yours

Charles Wright



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