

Monte Verde

May 1st 1860

My Dear Dr

If on the 7th March you  
thought I was dilly-dallying  
on the 13th Feby what will you  
think on learning that at the  
present date I am hard at  
work in the same business.

Well the loss is more mine  
than yours though not very  
agreeable to either of us. You  
ought long ago to have got  
my last request to direct  
my letters to Henry Descaille

I wish you had somebody  
in New York whom you could  
trust to do business just as  
I want it done. I wrote very  
plainly how you ought to pro-  
ceed. You for what appeared to

Very truly  
yours  
Dr. Van Hook



your good cause did not follow  
my directions, & — I am out of  
money. I don't mean by this to  
blame you but I am sorry it has  
so happened. I sent to Mr Bradford  
that part of your last letter des-  
igned for him but got no notice  
of its reception — nor do I expect it.

When the crop is all despatched  
to market, I shall make an  
effort, by trying to borrow money  
to equip myself for the Mayan  
excursion but shall not be at  
all disappointed if I fail.

In yours of March 15th you was  
to write again "very soon" It seems  
to me a long time.

I am collecting some things  
in Zoology for Audubon, but  
absolutely nothing in botany.

If we can't manage pecuniary  
matters by exchange bills would not

better than we are now doing  
I shall begin to dream of home  
— awake. If I should ever re-  
turn to the island after going  
home (a thing not very probable)  
I'll bring enough money with  
me to last during my stay  
I don't feel in very good  
spirits at the thought that  
I have done nothing or next  
to it since the current year  
set in.

May 2. Therm. down to 50 at  
sunrise. Such weather makes  
me shiver in broadcloth

Remembrance to Mrs G.  
Also to Mrs Clarence & daugh-  
ters

Yours ever

Charles Wright



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