

Monte Verde
July 10th 1860

Dear Dr

I was almost in
despair of hearing from you again
your last previous letter bearing
date May 9th when this evening
came yours of 18th June on the
blank leaf of Prof. P.'s circular.

I thought I had found something
when I lighted upon Dod. Nicot
Well at any rate it's not a common
thing here for I never saw it
before & it's no great blunder to sup-
pose it Rubiacous with only slightly
to study it with

For some time past you must
have received letters from me thick
& fast - direct or via Wetherfield
Washington, New York &c. Will you
must know ere this that the money
all came to hand but you may not
know that I have made a considerable
hole in it already & am not yet
away to Mexico. I had hoped to
be off about the first inst but just

Very
Respectfully
Yours
J. D. D.

Then Mr Denon on whom I was depend-
ing for pilotage was detailed to super-
intend a working party sent to finish
a bridge at Saltden. Meantime I
went to the seaside to collect plants
shells &c. leaving my horse in his care
While gone somebody stole my saddle
& I had to buy another at \$20. I
gave \$7 for an umbrella & or nearly
that for shoes & every thing else in
like proportion. I was in debt for
when the money arrived so that on
taking acct & finding I find them
reduced to about \$175. I shall
have to buy one another horse for
I discover plainly that it will
be imprudent to get on with
the one I have. I shall have to
give well on to \$100 for him
Then a guide will cost me say
\$20 more so that by the time I
reach Mayari I shall not feel
rich — less danger perhaps of being
robbed. But once at M. I shall

be quiet for a time & I hope my
expenses will not be great but
I shall probably have to pay
my board for there are no M. friends
Philantropos &c there — nothing but
Havro — little stock-raising estab-
lishments. But when the money fails
three or four days' ride will take me
to Cuba or back & at either place
I am borrow money for present neces-
sity. Perhaps I can get my
horse by paying a portion of the
price. I'll try. I think it will be
well for you to send me another
\$100. I made a nice little collec-
tion of plants at the Harbor Guan-
tanamo & designed to spend another
day between Saltden & that place
but the loss of my saddle broke into
my arrangements
I hope to get off this week or
early the next

Very truly Yours
Chas Wright



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