

Nashville, Tenn.

Dec. 17-1887.

Walter Dean Esq.

My dear Sir

Already Tuesday evening I opened and looked over your package, and I assure you it was nice form & materia. Wish I could get a Christmas tree dangling full such packages! It is unexceptionally good. Gratias tibi ago quam maximas!

And now I have at last the *Cyperus Engelmanni*, and it is the right one. I had last immediately announce the receipt, for, I meant to work right away, and into my caries and Cyperi, and the microscope and &c and I am yet in a stew about a *Cyperus* I which I collected 16. July 86 in the swamps of W. Tennessee, and which N. L. Britton named *C. refractus* Engelmann, and which I can yet not believe. The *refractus* (in what I think the genuine) is frequent here. I found ^{in your package} quite a number of things which were very valuable to me. Please look over your

Glyceria elongata, it is, I believe a small flowered form of *abundans*. I will send you another corrected copy of my flora as soon as I am through with the revision of the caries. I made some

mistakes in the *Jornic*, but I feel pretty sure
now. I have Engelmans Monography on *Jornic*,
and also his *Herb. Jerniconum normale*. I have
however in my *Jerniconum flora* 3 forms, which
are not represented in his *Herb. normale*.
I hope to have better opportunities the coming season
than I had last summer, and I can again send
you some good and desirable species.

The sad news of Dr Wreys sudden prostration
has distressed me very much.

To him is due the palma nobilis for this lifelong
effort of bringing into a harmonious whole
the scattered and fragmentary contributions of
two centuries of American botanical research.

On the 12th Rosewell I made in his behalf an
excursion to Leavenworth, and procured and sent to
him a number of good living specimens of
Calceolotha globella for cultivation in the
Cambridge Garden. His acknowledgment
of the receipt of the box about the 19th, is,
I do fear the last hint to one from his hand.

I shall always be very happy to hear from
you, and I consider it a very fortunate
circumstance to have made your acquaintance

Yours very cordially

A. S. Gentry.



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