

Drum

Columbus Decr 9th 1842

My dear Gray —

Yours of Nov. 14th has just come to hand, after quite a long passage — it having called at Columbus Georgia! on its way. —

You have no doubt received mine dated about Nov. 20? explaining matters & things satisfactorily I hope —

A little of the blame should attach to yourself for the non-sending of a box of roots &c this last fall — your list came so late — But notwithstanding that, I would have got them off in safe time had I not (wanting a few hours only of having them ready) been called off on a ten days absence — On my return I was afraid to risk the roots, but ventured to send the box of dried plants, which as 2 or 3 weeks of good weather followed I have strong hopes has reached you. — It would almost break me up if this box should miscarry — its contents has cost me no little time & labour, besides there are not a few

things in it I could not replace — The roots, some
of them at least, I shall find a way of getting on
to you in the spring. —

My new-sake (S.O.) (and I am sorry to
say it!) shows rather an unaccommodating disposition — and
not much discrimination withal — as it evidently
prefers the barren rocks of highlands to our fertile
sciole valleys — twice the removal has been unne-
cessary, owing, may be, to the time, Midsummer — It
shall have an other trial next spring with all possible
precautions — come it must, however, ~~unless~~ ~~W. W.~~! —

The Mr. W. of Lond. has come — none
back but the last Est. No — I believe that in my
last I mentioned that No 31. Vol. 4. for Decr 1841 of the
Lond. Bot. had never reached me — order it for me —

I have anticipated your suggestion with regard
to a correspondence with Mush & Schimper. i.e. I
have sent them a set of my Musps & written
to them — Have (if you can, as well as not, through
some of your Paris friends) their attention favorably
directed to the parcel & the sender. — The same
please do, with regard to W. Wilm. Esq. —

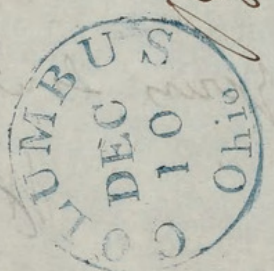
with ^{the rest} ~~all~~ to whom I have sent I have had an
introduction — I have sent, you see, an other
parcel to Dr. Montagne, if that don't draw something
out of him, I will set him down for a "take
all & return nothing" Frenchman & let him alone
hereafter — I shall look over my Senecios just
opportunistically for spiral filaments — I suspect their
presence in Cerastifolias not so rare as once
thought — I ^{am} glad you are down at last
to Gloria — push it ahead — it is a tremendous
undertaking, but you are in for it & the sooner
it is done the more credit. — What do you do
with the above Vaccinium? (if you have received) —

Yours sincerely

Wm L. Saltmarsh

P.S. Let me hear about the Box —

Chas. W. Sullivan



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