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My dear Gray

I hardly know what to say to you. — I did not write to you during your absence. This may seem strange to you. I doubt whether I could make you understand it and still more doubt if you can excuse it. — I can only say my respect and affection for you are still as they always have been, very great. What I have endured mentally the last year no words can tell. But thanks to a wise Providence I feel once more

lifted up. The future again looks
worth living for. My children and
myself are now very happy in an
^{other} matrimonial alliance I have formed
within the last month. about this
more at an other time.

I need from you while in Europe
three letters - since your return we. They
were most acceptable. - I returned to
Cincinnati about a week ago, from which
with my children I have been absent
near four months - spending the summer
in N. York and its vicinity.

I have done but little for the last
year in Botany. This winter coming
I shall (D. W.) get pretty well through

the Ex. Ex. job. - I go to Cincinnati
in a few days to start the engraves
on my drawings. Two of the principal
N. York firms (engravers) have branches
in Cincinnati. This is per understanding
with Wilkes whom I saw in N. York
in August. as to the little misunder-
standing between you & him - I could not
exactly get at the "hang" of it - but to my
notion the thing appeared to have been gotten
up out of small materials - A letter,
that ~~he~~ read, from you to Torrey, seems
to have been displeasing. - I understand
from him that the matter is now satisfac-
torily adjusted, and that on his part no
unpleasant feelings exist. - And so

but it be — there is no use in getting
into a map with him — as I told you
once before he is a "Man of Wars Man"
weak-headed & strong-willed and ignorant
on matters that he should not have
had control of. — By an application
to the Committee men through Prof. Henry
or others I'll venture to say all things
can be put into the desired shape. —

Send by Express the parcels you have
for me. —

Remember me affectionately to
your dear wife — I hope she has
returned strengthened in health.

As ever your devoted friend

Wm. S. Pullen

I have put in a capital winter work on
the Ex Ex Nopes & Hepet. — begin to see nearly the
end — if nothing unusual happens I shall be
through this year. — The late general
work Synop. Hepet. by Lind? was & makes the
Hepet. quite manageable — But the Nopes
are perplexing — we have had no general work on
them since 1827 — since then they have dwelt
and are described in any amount of different
journals, periodicals &c. — Muller's Synopsis as far
as it goes is of great service but there is much
of it yet unprinted — It will be completed
I hope before I am compelled to publish —

What are you doing at — what the
status in view of Expedition plants — when do
you go to Europe — I must have some
corrections ready for you — but we hear from
you & about your doings —

Larguerange has gone to the Western Mts
to stay 2 or 3 months — He was very anxious

to go — wanted to sniff the mountain air
— no wonder. — his general health was pretty
good but he began to show the effects of
winter climate — in his ~~complexion~~ complexion — the
ruddy giving way to the pallor.

I sent the other day to Mr Lowell by
his request some specimens from the Herb. Taylor
for Dr Lehmann of Hamburg — If Mr Lowell
has sailed for Europe, the package should
be forwarded to him or to Lehmann.

Let me know 2 or 3 months before hand
when the Acad. can receive an other *Contributio*³ &
I have some materials on hand that can be
put in shape with a little notice.

Remember us kindly to Madame Gray

Yours very truly as ever

Wm. L. Galt

Don't forget the Books



Sullivant, William S. 1851. "Sullivant, William Oct 12, 1851." *William Starling Sullivant letters* –.

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