

Columbus Ohio
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Dear Gray — I am glad you
like the drawings —

Brettle of he tries himself
and is well paid (which he shall by)
can put them on stone right.

Sourell could probably do it
better, but I suppose Agarre has
a mortgage on him. — If you
think they can be done better on
Copper — expense shall be no
obstacle — They cost me considerable
labor & care to get them up and
I don't want to see them ~~lose~~
lose by the engraving. —

Sending them to Paris will take
too much time until the publication
of the Manual is put off several months.

— Now act your own pleasure

in the matter - it is all mainly
for your own benefit - i.e. to make
the Brook bill - you have
my "Carte Blanche" —

The text of Mursi will, I
nothing happens be as good in its
way as the drawings - the whole
will be re-written and re-modelled -
or as Eaton used to say Modern-
ized up to the present times -
some 20 or 30 new species will
be added & when suitable, made
part of the illustrations —

3rd drawing now ready - 1st under
way - It takes about 10 days to
get up a plate with Schroder who
does the copying & inking admirably
as you see - He is a poor Russian
who has been here 5 or 6 years barely
keeping himself & family from starving

by little jobs of bookkeeping, architec-
tural drawing &c &c - By mere
accident I stumbled on him - I
feel quite made up with him -
he is fast learning the use of the
microscope, describing &c &c

Hopper & Howell have
not yet come in I believe
I told you I had read
the Lemmata Vol. 1 —

Very truly
W. G. Sullivan



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