

Columbus O.

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My dear Gray —

I have just rec'd
yours of 22^d with some proof of
your text — with suggestions that I
will think over — no difficulty
about the genera, there should
have been 12-15 more
but I will make history of them —
I would prefer to have the Mesp &
Hypoleucæ plates begin at I and on
to VIII. — I may some day add
a parcel of more plates for American
species that have not been figured
say about 4 to the plate which I would
now think a luxurious amplitude of
space. I rec'd the proof of the 1st

plate and returned ^{it} some days
since - The Engraving is up to the
mark.

I send by express (which I
consider safer than the mail) today
Plate VII, and if it is not too late
and can be ^{done} neatly, I want one of its
genera "Grimaldia" put in the place
of "Stectzia" on Plate VI, and Stectzia
take the place of Grimaldia on Pl. VII -
in other words, let the two genera
change places - This brings all the
Murchantiae together as they should be.

Proof of 2^d Plate not yet received

I shall want some 70-100 copies
of the M. & H. struck off on very nice
paper & bound, with regular paging,
title page & index and perhaps a preface.

Note or so - of all this hereafter
VIII & last plate under way - will
be finished in 7 or 8 days -

Text of Hepaticae ready for the
printer - a good deal of Maps
text finished -

Working very hard - hardly
take time to smoke a cigar!

Very truly yours

W. J. Sullivant

I send the sketch of Arctia fruit -
It was made from fresh specimens - and
I think is correct - as far as it goes -



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