

Columbus Ohio

Sept. 2. 1861

My dear Gray

Your kind letter making the Buffalo appointment rec'd. — It would have been very pleasant to have once more met you — but could not possibly have left home at that time — expecting every day an outbreak of the Epidemic then prevailing severely at Cincin-nati only 100 miles off. — We have so far escaped

and have many helps still  
~~not visit~~  
over town this season.

Last spring I removed  
my large family out to the  
old home on my farm 2  
miles west of Columbia. Have  
been busy all summer repair-  
ing rippling building up and tear-  
ing down - shall make it my  
permanent residence hereafter.

How some folks travel in a  
circle - here I am again after  
an 18 year absence in the same  
old woods where once I wrought  
at the "Scientiam amabilentia" (birds)  
with a vim and an zeal that

now belong to the past.

Thanks to Dr J. Hooker for  
his favourable opinion of the  
written herof - also for his good  
intentions about Iscares if never  
carried out. And to dear  
Mrs Gray my kindest regards  
I feel that I know her, though  
I have yet never met with her.

As ever yours

W. S. Sullivan

Obliged

For the Müller-Australian  
mugs - species very few - specimens  
very copious. - also -

For the Sandwich Island Mugs  
a very handsome coll. in all respects -  
supplies some desiderata in  
the Willson Expl. Expl. Coll. -



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