

Austin would work them up.

Present Mr Man with a copy
of the Wilkes Expl. Exped. or any
thing else of mine in your hands
that would be acceptable to him.

I return today the *Linnaea* and
Ann. & Sci. all you loaned me—
thanks—I have not found time to
use them. Huxley has promised to
send me his papers.

I have Bot. Lectures for 1866. Müller
makes a Dutch jumble about my
personal matters. — Send Blyth
Javan. It, and believe me as ever
and a little more to your best
friend Wm Salterant

Columbus O.

Mar. 14 1867

My dear friend —

Knowing you to be
one of the best natured old fellows
in and about the Hub, I felt
certain I could not be damaged
in your good opinion by my long
silence, provided you understood
my surroundings. When you
rebuild a large house in the
country, living in it at the same
time too, and have to bother
with stone masons, stone cutters,
brick makers, brick masons, car-
penters, tinners plumbers, gla-

ziers, painters &c &c &c, and
when you ^{have} 120 children and
grand children with you and
about you, and any amt of
other matters & things to look after
you, will be very apt to find occa-
sionally a pretty long hiatus in
your correspondence. — There,
you have reasons, every one true
as preaching (after cropping out the
cypher in the number of children), to
account for three times six months
silence. . . — But now, ^{Law} Deo,
I am getting pretty well through
with the building and am unboxing
my biological & microscopical books
traps &c that have been stowed
away in a corner since June

last. And you need not be sur-
prised if hereafter you get answers
quite promptly to your always
very welcome letters. —

About Mons Sanders ^{Islands} ^{Magnus} —
I can't possibly do them now.
If it is very desirable that they
should be published soon, Les-
guy may be able to do them.
I doubt if he is very busy now.
If he will undertake them I
will give him all the facilities &
aid in my power. The Hekates
neither of us would undertake,
both are off of that trash — books &
Harbina behind the times. Probably



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