

TORREY TO HENRY No. IV.

New York, Augt. 2nd, 1838.

You must get the college to subscribe to our Flora. We cannot give away copies. Our bills on Part I. alone amount to more than \$350. We pay as we go, and if any thing is to be made we will have it ourselves. —At any rate no one shall suffer loss by us. If botanists and literary institutions don't patronize the work, we cannot go on. —My very kind regards to Mrs. Henry, and all your family. Yours

John Torrey

No. V.

New York, Augt. 1838.

Dr. Gray has not ~~yet~~ returned from Michigan. We received a letter from him to-day, and he speaks in the strongest language of the beauty of the country and the enterprise of the managers of the University.

~~I regret to learn, however, that they~~

He says that the Council are determined to make one or two prospective appointments in the autumn—and that you will be one of them—keep this close. I will give you more particulars when the Dr. returns. Mr. Whipple, an old friend and pupil of mine, who was at West Point when I was stationed there, is one of the chief men in the University and can carry any reasonable plan. He will be in New York in a week or two and stop at my house, both on his way to Philadelphia and on his return. It may be well for you to happen this way when I give you a hint.

I hope that the account of Sherwood's discovery did not reach the British Association, and thus expose us to ridicule before that noble body. we must do all in our power to put an end to quackery in our land—and every man must feel so jealous of his own particular science as to refute all pretended discoveries.

Tuesday morning. Dr. Gray has just returned from Detroit. He says that a meeting of the Council will be held on the 10th prox. when it is probable that some appropriations will be made for apparatus. They will probably begin with \$5000, part of which will be expended for chemical articles. This money will be for foreign apps. only. Now Dr. G. wishes you to sit down and make out a list of articles in your branches with an estimate of the probable cost of each—to the amount—say—of \$3000. I will furnish a catalogue of the Chemicals. He wishes to send the statement immediately to the Board. Get all ready by Friday, when the Doctor will make you a visit.

Yours J.T.

TORREY TO HENRY No. VII.

New York, Nov. 9th 1838.

Dr Gray did not get off till this morning. He was detained yesterday by adverse winds. He got your money and will doubtless faithfully attend to your commissions. He will make a good impression wherever he meets with men who are capable of appreciating him.

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