

pt. Eliza has just gone to look over her
bundle of reviews for the no. of N. Am. that you
want - If she finds it, I will forward it by
mail - I am obliged to go before this
ready -

I hope you will find out from Roddy's
letter what is to be paid for the Fl. Brasil.
I see in it some figures - but don't know
what they mean. I long to see my portion.

How shall I send your seeds? Probably
Wright had the most of them - but
what you don't want can be sent
abroad.

Shub has sent me (by my request)
his *Dequensotype*. It is excellent -
much better than yours

I wrote you memory about the *Heterostemon*
Dicranocarpus & now send the rough sketch of
the analysis which I made when I examined
the plant. The disk-flores are ~~sterile~~ staminate
only. & the rays fertile.

New York, March 19th 1853

Dear Doctor -

Your letter of 17th came to
hand this moment.

Unexpectedly an opportunity for London
occurred this morning, & I have dis-
patched the seeds for Hooker. They
were taken by Rev. J. D. Abbott. He
expected to leave London in a fortnight
after reaching there - & to go direct to
Paris - so I send *Dufrenoy's* seeds also.

The letter of Roddy to Green, & yours
to me, I put, long ago into Harkness's
Grant's hands - jiggling occasionally
on the subject. He called repeatedly
at Putnam, who said the books had
not come - It seems, however, that he
let them slip through his hands. I
got the letters back only yesterday.
Eliza & Jane cannot read the German
writing letters - although they read very

tolerably in Roman character - or even
in printed German letters -

I send the pod of a *Chaetocalyx* that
seems different from your *C. Wislizeni*.
Parry found it on "Mt. Carmel." The
plant is a Climber - a rather tender.
The terminal joint is far more leafy
than in your species. The leaves
in Parry's are oblong, of the flaccid
or much larger stalks.

It appears to me you have been led
into error by Mr. Wright, as to the
leaves of *Fouquieria*. The spines are not
the petioles of the primary leaves. If
you soak a specimen carefully you will
find a deep groove on the upper side of
the spine, in which is lodged the long
petiole of the leaf. - but there is no
organic connection between them.
msd

I thought that I explained this
matter to you long ago.

Parry is working in my plant room
every day - but he is not so efficient as
Wright. It is probable that

Emory will go back & finish the survey
of the Rio Grande. I am

training one young pupet, a young
graduate of a fine fellow - to
go out, on some expedition. Perhaps
Capt. Marcy will take him. He
(Capt. M.) expects to leave for the
Salt Lake next summer - Under
there - of them expect to the
S. West - There will also
be parties on the Survey of the
R. Road route. They will all
help botany

Yours faithfully
J. Torrey
over



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