

Poor Norford - I feel for him deeply  
& know how he suffers. Do tell him  
how much with him - we shall meet our  
dear ones ere long. This is a blessed  
hope -

Madge sends no letter by the last ~~train~~  
- so we have not heard from her since  
the day or so after she arrived in Paris.  
She was to leave for Geneva with  
Mr. Robert, in 4 days' (This was on the  
23 Nov.) - We are anxious to know how  
she is doing in Geneva. Her friend Mrs Fletcher  
(daughter of Dr. Malan) is there &  
her husband has lately joined her from  
Rio Janeiro (where he was a missionary).  
She sends much love to your dear David  
& you - & is very grateful for the letter you  
sent her. But she will write to you herself  
very soon - Did I tell you that Lady  
Hoodie recently sent me a letter of 8 pages?  
She was in France when Madge's letter was  
sent to New - & when Lady H. came, the  
party had left for the Continent. She seemed  
very sorry to have missed them - & sent a  
nice letter which she had prepared for  
Madge, & which I have forwarded to her -

New York. Decr. 21st 1855.

My Dear friend

Last evening on returning home I  
found your parcel. It had been  
locked up since Monday. The con-  
tents were in good order. Manu-  
script all right. How the copy-  
ing will be done in a few days -  
& it only remains for you to examine  
what I have done in the foremidday  
order. The Labiate of Crucifer -  
etc. will be sent to you as soon as  
I write off the few Crotonaceous  
which I see you did not find - There  
are not half a dozen in all. I  
am sorry that the Lourauki were not  
sent long ago to Duyfmaan - but I  
supposed you had them all at your  
fingers end. It is not always easy,  
however -

to distinguish between *Phoradendron*  
& *Acanthococcus*.

Among the Labiate was a little  
annual that I can make nothing  
of. It must be new - at least to  
our Flora - Here it is. Perhaps  
(if you don't know it) Bertham had  
better see it. I have sketched out  
my view of it.

Thanks for the overwhelming you  
have given my paper in Endy.  
Whiff. I am glad a better name  
has been found for *Helminthopodium*.

Pray let me know whether Sprague's  
sketches of Opis plants are sufficiently  
worked out to enable me who is a  
good draughtsman to use them. He  
himself can be employed to better  
purpose if we can get another author

for P. Popo. Berkeley has a son who  
draws very well & the old man too  
has made some very nice sketches.  
Did I show you his trial of the script  
that I proposed to call Emory? It  
is quite fine. Not something you  
done to receive those of drawing. You  
will remember that *Hemidiodia* was  
in Berkeley's hands when the others  
were here.

As I wrote at the Army Office  
and all my botany is done at home  
I cannot now make remarks on your  
mp

I believe that your letter of 24 Nov -  
Dec 6th has not been answered  
You can, if you think best - give  
my determination of P. Hart. Diodorus  
to Bertham.

That drawing of Whipplea did not  
come. Pray let me have it soon.



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