

Give my love to Jane, & tell
her how happy we shall be to
see her here - or at our Crownest -
when we go to the country. The
girls often speak of her. I say
how very seldom she has been
in our house. I know it is more
pleasant for her to visit Beverly
in the warm season - but she would,
I think, like to be a few days at
mountain home. Eliza will urge
her to do so in her next letter.

If Wright is with you still present
my kind regards to him. Elton
must have left you some time
ago.

Yours ever
J. Torrey.

New York, April 19th 1858

Dear Doctor - Your welcome -
but too short letter was on my table
when reached the office this morning.
That box for Engelmann left here
on the 14th inst (I think it was) -
there was no packet on the first.
I had the ^{box} nicely packed here. & good
Mr. Chamber attended to the ship-
ment.

I should like to get a copy of
Lindley's new Monog. of Orchaceae
- but I fear he will find among
my duplicates of that family, not
many that he wants. I will
see what I can number - & if
they seem to be worth his accept-
ance

I will venture to send them
to your care. What is the
price of the work, if I can get
it only by purchase?

As to my Flora of the State of N.Y.
I have but a single copy, & I
know not how to get another. Perhaps,
however, I may be ^{able} to get one that
belongs to my set of which I did not
get from Albany with the other volumes
— having obtained them from another
source.

Did you ever examine the Tragacanth
shrub contained in all the Texan Collections
— of which Scheele (in Linnæa) has
called Tyria myricifolia? I have no
description of that genus, for the Supplement
part of Endlicher, that (as I suppose) contains

He came ~~as~~ to New York & I
treated him very roughly — so that
he will never honor me with another
call. I told him it was great
presumption for him to give
any opinion in a matter of which
he had no knowledge. — & that he
was more at home among the reefs
on the deck of a ship. He
would not pay the bill without
the deduction of I made up
the deficiency — as I told him
from the beginning was the
only alternative —

Will you go to the Baltimore
meeting? I hope to be there
two or three days.

It, I have never been able to replace
since I spared my copy for Wright's outfit.
Lindley, in his list of genera has
a *Tyria* Kl. among (I think) *Vacciniae*.
I have been reversing *Euphorbiae*. I
would be glad to receive any information
you can give me relative to this genus.

I have had some unpleasant correspon-
dence of one interview with Wolke,
I wish nothing more to do with him.
When Hockstein made those 6 drawings
in your study, (two or three of them while
I was in Cambridge) you fixed the
price - at \$20 each. The bill was
at length paid by Wolke. Understand-
ing that such was the price, (for
his plates - with as much work on
them as those I contained). I engaged
Hock. to come on here & make the

remaining drawings. When I
sent on six or seven in a batch
he insisted that the amount of
work on them was not half of what
the others contained, & he took the
liberty of cutting down the price of
some, 25 per cent, & of the remainder
50 percent. I assured him that
the work was greater than on the
first 6, & the time occupied in
making the drawings I knew to
be such that the charge was
reasonable. He said the
"Committee" would never agree to
pay the original bill & I
protesting that it was a real
Contract to pay \$20 for each drawing



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