

Determine the genus or even the tribe which a species belongs? Teacher says you have studied this - or intend to do so.

Hochstein has gone to spend some weeks at Orange, in N. Jersey, where he will teach drawing to the children of several wealthy gentlemen. I occupy himself likewise in doing a few jobs - after which I suppose he will go to Cambridge. He will, however, not make a botanical artist - for he esteems our work mere drudgery. I am worth his attention, except as a temporary means of support. He will not study enough of Botany to understand the law of structure, & so makes a great deal of work for those who employ him.

I suppose they will soon commence the printing of Mex. Brasil. Botany. I have kept the Ms. - & I have worked on it more & more every day - because there are always doubtful things to be settled. The Acanthaceae have troubled me more than any other family. There are about 8 of them left undetermined. Keys & descriptions are very unsatisfactory. In some cases, I can

not tell they will be sure this country. I hope they will be sure this year. I have all of some kind of plant, & all of some kind of seed. I shall be a little short of seed, & I expect to send some. I would like to have some of your plants, & I have sent some to you. Delighted with my order. Your very best love to your dear wife & dearest son (John) (J. D. Jones)

New York, June 12th 1858

My dear friend

I find that a letter that I wrote to you more than a week ago has never been sent. It was laid aside for some address - & overlooked.

In the mean time I have rec'd yours of the 20th inst. My time has been much taken up for the week past - & I have also been at Nedens preparing for the sojourn there.

I made a mistake about the no. of Cycadaceae plates laid aside for engraving. It was he, or not Bigelow who was to have the 100 copies. That is all correct.

now. I have been waiting to  
send you the 50 remaining sets, till  
I selected some other things for  
you. As 2 more plates of Blake  
& Antennell's Repts. I don't mean  
to let you pay for any unless I  
know that some extra copies of  
the letter press can be obtained  
from the public printer. I will,  
in case that none of the latter can  
be had, give you as many of  
the plates as you desire.

- I will just remind you, that  
the sets of Cactaceæ consist of 24  
plates each - so that Engelmann has  
2,400 unprepared -

The sets of Prof. Whipple contain  
25 each - while you must multiply

by as many as you received on your  
own account - I cannot tell whether  
the no. was 50 or 75. If you had  
only the former no. & will it make  
up to 75 I will send the remain-  
ing sets.

The sets of Pope & Beckwith  
~~were~~ 10 each. Of these I  
sent many for you to distribute  
on my account - if you must  
not charge yourself with these -  
Thunber has the amount of what  
I owe you - & you have probably  
a minute spot - which will be  
deducted from your indebtedness.  
The Algae I believe were transferred  
to Buckley - who seemed very desirous  
of owning them, & expected sur-  
prise that they had not been sent to him.



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