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Dear Dr. Robinson

Returning from Mexico called to see T. S. Brandegee of San Diego, he has in his garden a red pepper growing from seeds which I sent him from Acapulco it is much prized by the people for its keeping qualities and in cultivation is very ornamental and a bush near 4 feet high covered with numerous red fruit is woody and near 3 years old I send you a specimen today for your herbarium, will you please determine it and send the name to Mr. Rose or myself so a copy can be sent to Mr. Brandegee.

After leaving Dr. Rose at Mazatlan to return with Mr. Nelson I went to Colesma owing to the excessive rainfall could not do much ^{and} because of frequent attacks of fever the doctor strongly advising me to leave which I did in August for Topolobampo Tlaloa near improve in health some but all together will not have

Three hundred species - so will not have
sufficient to pay cost

I am mindful of the uniform generosity
extended to me not only by yourself but by your
predecessors - which fact make me reluctant
to ask more of you - But several parties desire
a list of all the plants in their sets from
Acapulco and Durango. If you could
send me a list of the plants if only generi-
cally from these two localities - then I could
sell the sets on hand and square up my
accounts. There is one other reason why
I desire the lists. Some friends have suggested
that I make a collection in the most
desirable parts of Chile and stay two
or more years - what do you think of
that suggestion. I fear my strength is not
sufficient, unless the climate helps me.

Personally Paraguay would be my selection as
with the government Expedition of 1857 to that
country my first plants was collected but Bonpland
has been there - If we consider Peru in connection
with many of our Western states it may be good.

Yours Sincerely . Edward Palmer.



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