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My Dear Dr. Robinson

The last years plants collected by me have all been sold to the Department of Agriculture you will no doubt be remembered in their distribution. I am now preparing for another which it seems to me ought to be the last trip for the work is more than I ought to undertake. Am afraid to undertake the journey with its expenses to Chile as to the Island you suggested would do but last summer the Tropical Fever so broke me down that I am now thinking of going to Saltillo state of Coahuila and the surrounding Country that Greg went over somewhat several years ago Am looking over his types with Dr. Rose. In connection with this trip I propose to visit several of the most important markets - to look after the seeds and other economical products that may be useful in the United States Are you making a seed Collection Mexico is a great Country for Beans - Peas, Corn, Red Peppers White Palm

Seeds. Seeds of medicinal Plants and of some vegetables not known in the United States - as for plants used for medicine and tied up in small bundles every market has its local medical flora tied up for sale, then there is the barks and roots for all sorts of uses. If I can aid your herbarium in any way let me know. I am trying to get off at the last week of this month.

Yours Sincerely
Edward Palmer
Care of Dr. J. N. Rose.



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