

I am just in a flood
of work connected with
this rather large depart-
ment, therefore I must
now part from you
with a hearty but
most hearty farewell.

Yours Truly,
J. R. M. M. M.

Ship Alexander
to New York!

Melbourne has. & good
Garden, 16 Apr 59.

My dear Professor
Aschgray.

I can assure you, that
your kind letter, dated
28 Oct, which however
only a few days ago
came into my hands
has given me very
much joy, doubly so
because I learnt of the
safe arrival of my
first botanical con-
signments to the U. S.
Insects, which you
were so friendly to
contribute to this
establishment arrived
in best order, & I have
for this valuable lot
to express my heartfelt
gratitude.

By the *Slyander*^s
which sailed for New
York a few days ago
I forwarded under
care of a friend
8 copies of my frag-
ments Nos 1-4; 6 copies
of my report on Mr
Daly's plants &
1 Garden report. If
there are yet any
of your noble in-
tentions, which require
these documents
pray let me know.
Mr. G. Cronin's is
advertised to sail
for Boston on the 2
May. With her I
shall have much
pleasure to send
you No 5 of my
fragments, perhaps

No 6 & some odd
& ends, besides an
other large consign-
ment of dried speci-
mens and seeds, con-
taining a fine lot
of rarities or novel
trees from the Darling,
collected this season.

Pray receive my
sincere thanks for
your devoting so much
of your valuable time
for initiating the
desired botanical
intercourse of this
establishment with
your country; but
pray let it not break
in on your own
more important
work.



Mueller, Ferdinand von. 1859. "Mueller, Ferdinand von Apr. 16, 1859."
Ferdinand von Mueller letters to Asa Gray

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