

Berkeley, May. 14. 1883.

Dear Dr. Gray:-

The two Groenlandia I spoke

of the other day I am now able to send
mature fruits of; a thing I could not have
done before: for while both are abundant
all over the country, and usually grow
together, one comes to maturity a month
earlier than the other. I had found
characters enough, even before I had
examined akenes & pappus. But now;
notice the light-akenes & dingy pappus
of the one, & the dark akenes & bright-
white pappus of the other; also the
difference in the character of the
ribs of the akenes. Even the difference
in length of style seems to be a
wholly constant character: so that the
greater size of the globes of ripe fruit is
always a mark of G. grandiflora, as
well as their shining whiteness!

The heads when in flower are more
conspicuously unlike, as you will see
in the good specimens of both which
I will soon have ready, and will send ~~you~~
you. Yours sincerely D. L. Greene.



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