

Cambridge. 18th Febr. 1852 -

Dear Mr. Wright.

In my last, sent 8 or 10 days ago. I told you that I meant to send you paper ss. - by the Bark R.M. Walsh which is up for Galveston - to sail on the 20th -

I have made arrangements so to do, & send on board to-morrow. addressed simply "Chas' Wright, Galveston, Texas."

4 bundles containing 15 Reams of paper - as per enclosed bill. - with 2 quins strong wrapping paper - & 8 pieces binder board - the packages well wrapped in Manilla paper, after being protected with the board - (which will serve for pres. board - I have chosen good paper, for driers. - & I mean thin delicate plates, - also for holding plants when dried - This is more than you asked for - If you want more it can be sent next time. - I have ordered it wrapped in such a way that no injury can occur in the voyage - or on waggon to Austin. Please have it cared for at Galveston. Also I send with the bundles a bag - addressed like the rest. containing - your hammock -

a copy of Pl. Landl. of Webster's Chemistry
& Dana's abridged Mineralogy, which I happened to
have. Also a copy of Spanish Grammar & Hillman's
Chemistry - 1847 (\$2.87). 2 good magnifying glasses
(\$1.00). One knife with saw - the only one I could
find (\$1.00). 2 yards India Rubber cloth (\$1.50) & one
large India Rubber Camp Mat, cotton lined inside.
\$3.50. - I hope you will think I have done
pretty well, considering. Since I began to make
preparations my wife's cousin has been very sick
in the house, where her corpse now lies.

On Saturday I got your favor of Jan'y. -
enclosed in Mrs. Mc Blues - of 17 Jan. from Boston.

I wrote to-night to New York to have the books &c.
asked for forwarded & sent by mail to him. &
will charge the amount to you. Hope they
will reach safely. - I could not get them
here, or I would have sent by ship.

I have not yet had time to open the
3 remaining packages of your collection, - hope to
do so soon. I have engaged a young man to
come on fr. New York to help me to distribute them
into pts. 8.

As soon as Pl. Landl. & Dana are printed W. J. Hall

sent you a copy.

I still wait anxiously to hear your
plan for next campaign - I do not hear from
Prof. Harvey yet. He could save you better if he knew
what expense you will soon explore - &c. - I do tell
us.

My opinion is that I could do little in
selling purely Mexican Plants. - The proper region
now is between El Paso & California & the Great
interior Basin. - There will doubtless be explorations
the coming year between ~~the~~ New Mexico & Montana,
& that is a route of high promise -

Trusting that this will safely &
kindly reach you. I remain. Yours ever

A. Gray

P.S. I send your queries
about Deer-Skin Demy to Prof.
Stasfeld.

Jacksonian is in Europe - as I
write before. I wonder you have not written
from me.



Gray, Asa. 1850. "Gray, Asa Feb. 18, 1850." *Charles Wright correspondence with Asa Gray*

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