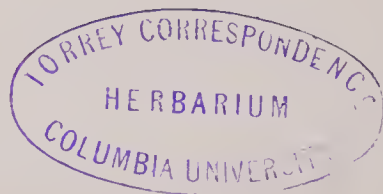


Recd Aug 9th 1836, in a parcel from Lehmann
And Oct 24 1836

Sir,



Encouraged by Prof. Lehmann, I venture on addressing
a request to you, by the granting of which, you would
greatly oblige me. Occupied during my hours of leisure with
the study of Algae and Zoophytes, I am anxious to obtain
those plants, that may be found in North America in Sea as
well as Sweet waters. I should be pleased, if you would have
the kindness, to procure them for me. Prof. Lehmann thinks,
that this object of mine, would be obtained easiest, by my
sending you in return algae and Zoophytes from these coun-
tries, say out of the North and East seas; In consequence I
take the liberty of sending you herewith provisionally one
hundred species thereof, and in case you accede to my pro-
posal, shall send you a greater quantity, immediately on
receiving your declaration to that effect.

I should wish, to receive the samples of all Algae and Zoo-
phytes, that can be collected in North America in Sea and Sweet
waters, as far as possible and instructive (i. e. as far as it
is possible with root and fruit) and well dried, of each speci-
es, if they can be got, several samples. Even the more com-
mon plants are of use here, because their form, no doubt,
will differ from that of ours. On that account also, I have

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not make any particular selection of the plants I send
You, in the supposition, that as you likewise the dif-
ference in the forms of the same plants, but from dif-
ferent countries, will be interesting. Besides the Alger
and Labyrinth plants in the North and East Seas, I can
send you also some from the Mediterranean Sea and
likewise a few Exotica. I beg of you, to favour me
with your commands in this head, without the smallest
reserve. If you were in possession of duplicates of the
said plants from other countries, namely from South
America and would spare me any of them, I would
request you to send me their specification. - Expe-
rience has taught me, that in this manner only,
i. e. by an intercourse of exchange one may suc-
cessfully succeed in procuring of these interesting
plants a collection that may be called nearly complete.

I have the honour to be very respectfully

Sir
Yours most Obedient Servant
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