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Washington D.C. April 9, 1872.

Dear Lawrence,

Will you ask Lariman & Kauss to make out a bill for one cask of alcohol like that of which I wrote you, charging it with the duty off, & send it to me, so that I may get an order from the Secretary of the Treasury for the remission of the duty. This I shall want for the Fishery Commission & will pay for it out of the appropriation.

I will try the experiment of keeping it in wood & see how it will answer.

Very truly yours, S F Baird

Geo. N. Lawrence 172 Pearl Street New York.

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172 Pearl Street N.Y.

Washington D.C. April 13, 1872.

Dear Lawrence,

The box containing specimens from Salvin has been sent, & I presume has ere this reached your hands. I am now trying to summon all my energies to go on to New York some time week after next, but whether I shall accomplish this or not is a question that time only can decide.

Mr Boardman has not yet returned from the South, although we expect him almost hourly.

As Dr Feuchtwanger was at the Institution yesterday I attacked him impetuously in regard to his giving his collection of Minerals to the Smithsonian. I think he is half inclined to do it on the ground of our calling it the Feuchtwager Gallery & making it a kind of monument to his name. I wish very much he gets back to N.Y. you will try him & make to him the same suggestion. There are plenty of other collections of minerals in N.Y. that can be had & doubtless

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will come in as soon as the Institution Central Park Museum is ready for them. We shall, however have our room all fitted up by November with a magnificent series of empty cases, & can then put his minerals directly in. He expects to be here until Wednesday, & then to return.

Very truly yours, S F Baird

Geo. N. Lawrence Esq. 172 Pearl Street, N.Y.

My ben Laurence ... Walkington Blo May 1, 1872. I should have written by you before This acknowledging my Rafe arrival in Wishing low on Saturday wight, but have had do many Things to altered to that this duty has been crowded out. here I need hardly hay how much obliged to you I Mis Lowrence I am, for your hindress while your quest-, thow much pleasure I would take in receprocating it here. I hope, however, that should I again visit Ny. under the dame Circumstances, you will trave a little mercy on me, & rol-insist-on draggung me all over town in the atracrous manner of losi- week. I forced every thing an good condition on my return & have now brought who more a less of the arrearages. I would be glad to have from you a portion at least-of the illustra trons of the Gregon Volume, Do Went I may Andas to the cast of reproduction. I also wish to write to Sheppard, & know what terms he will agree to re-draw the figures for. Those not yel- received the trencrat, but fortunately have not required it. Heave Terret at alyon leisure, thoreit forwarded. Hidgeway Junies to alter to the wino.

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Washington D.C. May 1, 1872.

My Dear Lawrence,

I should have written to you before this, acknowledging my safe arrival in Washington on Saturday night, but have had so many things to attend to that this duty has been crowded out; but I need hardly say how much obliged to you & Mrs Lawrence I am, for your kindness while your guest, & how much pleasure I would take in reciprocating it here. I hope, however, that should I again visit N.Y. under the same circumstances, you will have a little mercy on me, & not insist on dragging me all over town in the atrocious manner of last week.

I found every thing in good condition on my return & have now brought up more or less of the arrearages. I would be glad to have from you a portion at least of the illustrations of the Grayson Volume, so that I may submit them to the lithographer here, for estimates as to the cost of reproduction. I also wish to write to Sheppard, to know what terms he will agree to re-draw the figures for.

I have not yet received the over coat, but fortunately have not required it. Please hunt it up at your leisure, & have it forwarded.

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of the Grayson specimens, & to write you very soon about them.

Very truly yours, S F Baird

Geo. N. Lawrence Esq. 172 Pearl Street, New York. 2732 918 NEW YORK AVENUE. WASHINGTON, D.C. In 9. 1877 Deer Laurence her hope to leave lomenen nom. fr Ifth annue Hotel. Vorm a Bonto Bonal for hudming enemy. MBans

[Washington, D. C.] June 9, 1872

Dear Lawrence

We hope to leave tomorrow noon for Fifth Avenue Hotel. Have engaged state room on Bota Boat for Wednesday evening.

> Yours S F Baird

Dear Lawrence. We arrived here dapely on Tuesday last; & have already made auselves very Comfort able. We find every thing very Latisfactory at the hotel, the Cooking plane but good, & nicely served. The landlord this wife, however, are both away at pres--ent, of the establishment is in Charge of apistants, who may or may not keep up throughout the Deason the present-promise. I think, however, if no change takes place for the worse, that you & Mrs Lawrence Could be very Comfortable here. The weather is delightfully cool, this morning a fire in the office is my no means disagreeable. We came by Pullman Car from Baston to Bangor, leaving at 8 1/2 in the morning & raching our desti notion at half past seven Ru. We remained at the Dangor House over Junday Hleft- he next day at Then, for Calais, expecting to go most of the way

in a Pullman Car. The journals of the wheels, however, became heated, I've were obliged to leave this & take a Common Con. Owing to a misunderstanding between The two Companies in regard to the Connection we did not reach Colais until 6 o clock in the evening in. - Stead of 3 R.M., the usual hime. This matter, nowever, will be Low arranged. We Stayed all night-with Mr. Boardman tomme down next day in a little Steamer. The whole journey is one of great-interest; I among other special points we have a fine view of Mount-Katahdin from the railroad, after leaving Dangor. I will write you again on the Suh. -ject-of quarters here in the course of a week or two, tel you know if any Change takes place in the prospect. Please ask the boys to send me by express to Eastfirt, two dotters bottles of Colvert's Crystallized Carbolic acid, top the

quality that I believe has been furnished me heretofore for about 94 centra bottle, also one dorsen bottles of his liquid acid. Please do not- Level any tring but the English Colverts. I do not like Squib's, as it does not answer the prepose at all. Very truly yours. Spencer Baira Geo. N. Lawrence Eig.
172, Penil Street, New York.

Eastport, Maine, June 20, 1872.

Dear Lawrence,

We find every thing very satisfactory at the hotel, the cooking plain but good, & nicely served. The landlord & his wife, however, are both away at present, & the establishment is in charge of assistants, who may or may not keep up throughout the season the present promise. I think, however, if no change takes place for the worse, that you & Mrs Lawrence could be very comfortable here. The weather is delightfully cool, & this morning a fire in the office is by no means disagreeable.

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The whole journey is one of great interest, & among other special points we have a fine view of Mount Katahdin from the railroad, after leaving Bangor.

I will write you again on the subject of quarters here in the course of a week or two, & let you know if any change takes place in the prospect.

Please ask the boys to send me by express to Eastport, two dozen bottles of Calvert's crystallized carbolic acid, & of the

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