

Dr. Dawson

BOTANIC GARDEN.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Dec. 8, 71

My Dear Sir

I beg to introduce  
Dr. Condrin, of  
H. R. W. the Grand-  
duke's Alexis's staff,  
and I solicit at  
once your kind aid  
in respect to a com-  
mission Dr. C. has  
in charge, viz. the  
procuring of a series of  
objects from the Vegetable  
kingdom, of economical  
use, desired for the  
Polytechnic Exhibitions

to be opened in Moscow  
in May next.

A few of the articles  
called for you may  
be able to lay hold  
of even at this season  
which are now out  
of my immediate reach.

- V. L.

Acer saccharinum; -  
specimens of Maple sugar.

Shepherdia argentea  
berries.

Betula papyracea  
bark, natural &  
objects made of it.

Inglans cinerea  
fruits, & wood

Abies Canadensis -  
pieces of bark.

Your kind assist=  
ance in this regard  
would be useful to  
the object and very  
gratifying to our  
friend and visitor.  
- and no less so to  
my dear Sir

Yours very truly

Asa Gray

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