

Worships

Yrs of Aug<sup>t</sup> last I received not till 4 or 5 days since, but  
however am glad you have not forgot me, about 6 weeks before the  
date of yours I wrote you a long letter, w<sup>ch</sup> I fear you had not then  
received altho sent & accompanied by one from our Wor<sup>thy</sup> Friend  
Mr George Hay because you make no mention of either, for if I desired  
you would send me a Journell or abstract of what you observed in  
your travels thro Spain & Portugall, y<sup>t</sup> I might lay them before the Royal  
Society & I wish you had done it in y<sup>r</sup> last letter w<sup>ch</sup> would have  
come very opportunely the 30<sup>th</sup> of this month being our Anniversary  
day for electing President Officers Councill & Members. However I hope  
you will not fail to do it in y<sup>r</sup> next, for a whole sheet of paper will  
me no more by the Post than the least piece you can write on, & as pay  
as much for the outer cover w<sup>ch</sup> is only the superscription [if it be signed  
from the letter] as if it was a whole sheet & as much for the paper  
beside, therefore as I set you an example of long letters I hope you will  
do the same by me, for I know y<sup>r</sup> observations are many & curious  
& will be no less acceptable to our Royal Society than my self

Nov. 25 1717.

Yrs

The last Week Mond<sup>y</sup> Tourneforts Voyage to the West in 2 volumes  
is at length to appear, I have a long time desired to see  
it, but I find it full of much matter of speculation, & has been  
in which there is the history of above 1300 Plants, of which  
Tournefort has not given us the figures of quite so many as there  
remain above said behind, which he has published and the postman  
I should be glad to meet you in Paris to see the paintings of the  
designs of these Plants, but this is only the flight of a wish.  
I shall be glad to know if all the Estuaries or any other part of Spain  
you saw or heard of the paintings of Hernandez his Natural History  
of Mexico, w<sup>ch</sup> cost the R. of Spain so much money. I hope this journey  
has given you an opportunity at Madrid or elsewhere to sell a Corn  
sponsorer, as I hinted to you in my last, if some Curious Persons at  
the Father Missionaries in Mexico, Peru, Chile, the Philippines  
as by w<sup>ch</sup> you might make considerable discoveries in Natural History  
did you see at Madrid Mond<sup>y</sup> Guignere & let me know if you have  
frequent opportunities of sending to him.

Dec 5 1717.

Dear Sir

I have now the satisfaction since the last written to acquaint you if  
I have received your Collections of Plants, & w<sup>ch</sup> our Wor<sup>thy</sup> Friend Mr Hay  
has taken care off, I having sent him of Mr Hay & y<sup>r</sup> letters of advice, w<sup>ch</sup>  
y<sup>r</sup> Friend a Merchant a Neighbour of mine brought me, Mr Hay came  
the next week to acquaint me, he had also received his Collections & was  
in hopes of some seeds w<sup>ch</sup> are more particularly his Province he had  
standing the Culture & raising of seeds wisely well. I told him I had received

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of your above 4 or 5 sorts of seeds. I gave him a shen off as he was  
 pleased with.  
 I must own my self highly obliged to you, for the great variety of specimens  
 you have sent, & am very glad to see some of Griseb's Viridarium amongst  
 them of daily value by book the more for them. You will find in one  
 of my Collections; a Catalogue of most of the rare & of the *Scamantacea*  
*Graminea Cyperi et Junli* & Family. I find you have made the least  
 Collections off, but hope you will more richly prosecute them since  
 you see they have so great variety. In my next Collection, I design  
 an Account of all the Plants you have sent me or but have discovered on the  
 celebrated Mountains the Pyrenees, If I have not prevented by not sending  
 me a Catalogue as you promised in your last should be by the Post as I rather  
 expect & hope amongst them you have found most of those in Dr. Myer's list  
 figured in the *Hyptis* *guzianensis* for in Botany until we have cleared the  
 Plants delivered to us in the last & preceding ages we shall never be certain  
 what is New, so that to me it's a greater satisfaction to discover one  
 old plant than 10 new ones.

My Dear Friend, I am sorry to tell you that the ill state of my health  
 prevents my sending to you so frequently as I otherwise should, however  
 depend on it, as my strength will give me opportunity, you shall hear  
 from me. I have since the receipt of yours put up ready for you about  
 30 different kinds of Fruits, seeds &c which were growing the last Summer  
 in Jamaica, these shall be sent by the first ship & by all opportunities  
 & I am sure to send you more or less in Jamaica having now almost all  
 done with business therefore I shall dedicate the remainder of my days to the  
 contemplation of God thro the manifest work of his stupendous Creation  
 My hearty Friend I pray God to give you health & many years that you  
 may prosecute with vigour those so laudable studies to the hearty  
 wishes as well as Prayers of

Dear M<sup>r</sup> of very affectionate friend

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P.S. Amongst the Merchants who visit send Shippo between us & Bordeaux  
 if you can recommend me to one who will take care to convey to you  
 what from time to time I may have ready for you, I shall always put them in  
 his hands as soon as ready for the ill state of my health does not permit me  
 to go out above once or twice in a month so that I lose many opportunities  
 of sending to you. Y<sup>r</sup>

Y<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> P.

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