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My Dear Friend:

Your kind letter is just received and I regret to inform you that the second vol of "Sylloge", and the whole of "Michelia" have been lost in the Post. The rest of the publications sent have duly arrived.

The misfortune was probably occasioned by the bursting of the wrappers. The first vol. of "Syllogia" had nearly lost its wrapper also, and I have many times received heavy volumes from Europe in a similar state.

In sending books please enclose in very strong wrappers and write the address upon the cover as well as upon the wrapper.

I am at present trying to trace the missing volumes and if they were lost on this side ^{of the Atlantic} I have hopes of finding them.

— If they are irretrievably lost I trust you have another copy at your disposal.

I am leaving San Francisco to-day

for a month in the mountains, and on my return will communicate further with you and remit to you the money for the books. Your forthcoming volume is awaited with impatience.

Our next Bulletin will contain many new species of Fungi, exemplars of which will be sent to you, with the publication.

Respectfully Yours,
A. W. Harkness.