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July 23

Sir.

An excursion of a few days, I took into Virginia the day after having had the honor of being presented to you, prevented me from calling again upon you before this day; when I heard you had departed for Monticello I therefore take the liberty of addressing you this letter for the purpose of conveying you, at least, a small parcell of the seeds of the *Jeffersonia* *binata*, I intended to have presented you with, at my second interview, together with one dry capsule of the plant for a specimen of its fruit.

Wishing they may grow with you, I remain
with the sincerest esteem,

Sir

Your most obed^t serv^t

C. S. Rafinesque

Washington 23^d July 1804

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The *Jeffersonia bincata* was called formerly *Podophyllum*
diphyllum by Linnaeus and was quite lately named *J. bartoni* by
Michaux (in his *flora borealis americana*) but Dr. Barton's name
being the best suited is to be retained.

I am collecting materials and informations for a complete
flora of the middle atlantic States, my interview with you having
been so short, I have been prevented from asking you if
it was in your power to add any of either to my already
extensive stock of them; any thing new in that way and
in whatever relates in the least to native plants would be
gratefully received and acknowledged by Y^r anew Ob. St^y
C. S.

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