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Dear Professor Victorin :

Your plants have now been inspected. I was present today when the inspector called. He did not find any disease, except a few lice on five of the Pines. He considered that as insignificant and wanted to let these Pines pass through, but we decided to take them out of the shipment rather than to risk trouble with the Canadian authorities. Everything else was all right. So, now we are ready to pack the plants up, and the sooner you can let us know on which day the truck is going to call, the better it will be. This is certainly a wonderful shipment of plants. The inspector himself was amazed and said that he had never seen anything like it. The plants are in excellent shape, and the rich assortment of all these rare varieties is absolutely unique. To see them made me impatient to get my hands on them again and to be able to work with them. It is going to be not an easy job to plant them in your nursery without getting them hopelessly mixed, and I wished I could be there to superintend this planting. Of course, that is impossible, since I could not get away here either right now for 2 or 3 weeks. Do you have a responsible and intelligent gardener there who can take charge of this planting? As soon as everything is planted, an inventory has to be taken of the nursery, to make sure that no records will get lost until the plants can be properly labeled. I am including with this shipment several lots of acorns which I collected for you last fall and which were stratified over winter in sand. These acorns are now starting to push out roots but I believe that they should still qualify as seeds rather than plants, since so far they have no growing tip. It is just the acorn with an inch, or at the most two inches, of root sticking out. There is no embargo for seeds, but it may be safer for you to inquire and, if necessary have these germinating acorns added to your permit, so that there will be no trouble when they arrive.

The varieties are as follows :

65	Quercus	coccinea	(large fruited)
41	"	"	(small fruited)
30	"	"	# 3
45	"	"	# 4
14	"	macrocarpa	(large fruited)
12	"	montana	
19	"	dentata	
88	"	robur	
97	"	sessiliflora	
26	"	serrata	
5	"	Shumardii	Schneckii

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You see that they are all worth while, and most of them are hard to get. It may be years before you get an other chance to get seeds of some of them. All of the oaks fruited exceptionally well here last fall. That is why I collected them for you. Unfortunately I neglected to tell you of them until now. I had expected to bring them with me last fall, when it looked as if it would be possible for us to make a permanent arrangement. Afterwards these acorns slipped from my mind. I hope that it will not cause you too much trouble to have them added to your permit, if that is necessary.

Hoping to hear from you soon

I am as always

faithfully yours

H. Teuscher

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