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Hooker, Sir Joseph Dalton (1817-1911) Famous Botanist
& Travellers
Friend of Darwin
President of
Royal Society (1873-8)

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May 3/76

My dear Eaton

I have this day
received through Mr. Lapins
the copy of your Form of N. A.
for which I thank you very
much - It seems to be a
very satisfactory systematic work
of the plates very characteristic
of the plants. So I can work
heartily with it good speed
to the end.

I have used a very large
number of it with works at
Kew & a multiplicity of
plates attached to the Prodrôme.

of the Rural Society, an hour
I shall cart off at the next
anniversary. As I find that
it wholly deprives me of
time enough for cerebral
scientific work.

I have been doing a good
deal to my Report on the
Climates of S. Harder; &
worked up some of it into
a lecture on the Botanical
Geography of N. America, which
I delivered at the Rural
Institution - I shall have
the pleasure of sending you a

copy of it when printed.

We are all well - & have
just had a few days holiday in
the country near Oxfordshire, where
we took baby Joseph Thomas B.
who christened by the Grandfather
Symonds.

Mr. Bates is much pleased
with getting a copy of your
Journal of N. A. for which he
is writing to thank Mr.
Cassino.

I still look back to my
American trip & especially to
New Haven with its famous
Garden, & the opportunity of

letting it out with 6 gentlemen
for New Haven at the Royal Soc.
Society last evenings eve, where
none I did not catch: the
travels.

With kindest regards to Mrs
Cotton & request Lady Worsley
begs to join & my love to
the children

Yours most sincerely

J. W. Worsley

Your last gift precedes
over my chimney piece.

Kindly post the enclosed to Mr
Lassus when I have thanked
for forwarding the work.