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COLESBORNE, S.O.,
GLOS.

Dear Sir David

Your very kind letter
in which your Lady & I received
the same kind sympathy. Should
have been acknowledged before this
but I know you will forgive me
as there has been so much for me
to do & to write - since my great loss.
It is a help to read such kind
words as yours about my dear
husband & I know he would

I have said that you & Lady Bacon
had always given him so kind
a welcome at Kew which he
appreciated so much. Kew had
been always very near his heart
& I think he kept up his interest
in botany & horticulture & his re-
search & his mind was quite clear
about his plants & his interest in
them. He spoke of them home so
often & the loss of all he could tell me
makes everything very sad to me
now. Hope Sir Frederick Moore is
arranging his Botanical & Arboreum
notes now with a hope of publishing them
Again thanking you very gratefully for a very kind
letter & sincere regards to Mrs. Moore.

TELEGRAMS, COLESBORNE.
STATION—
GIRENGESTER OR CHELTENHAM.

COLESBORNE, S.O.,

GLOS.

PS I forgot to say that
I am going away a lot of
my books to friends who
will make more use of
them than my successors can do
~~let~~ if you would come &
choose ~~the~~ something in this
way yourself or perhaps
a picture, or piece of
furniture made from my
wood I should be very
pleased if you will accept it
in memoriam
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