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Dear Mr Fawcett

Very many
thanks for the box of
gray flowers and paper
greenery which arrived
in perfect - condition last
night - I shall plant
the rest of winter telegraph
& hope it will thrive.

My edition of Babington's
date 1851. says "Petasites
pauciflorus, which has
shortly ligulate female
flowers is quite naturalised
in some places in the south"
My Willmorey, date 1848 -

does not mention it
so I suppose it is
a recent introduction

I have separated the
plants and put them
on a card that you may
verify the description, but
I fancy you will need a
magnifying glass to make
out the details -

Petasites vulgaris, the
common large leaved
Butter-bur has a spike
of flowers somewhat
similar, but larger - more
compact, and upright
and the plants have ~~the~~ ^{the}
strap-shaped petals

It is common on sandy
banks of rivers in the
north - I do not know
whether it grows as
fully in the south
the flowers come before the
leaves as in P. praegrans
and the leaves grow in
an enormous mass -

I hope I do not trouble
you with these details,
but plants are very
lovely, and when I
am moulded I never
know how to stop -

I wonder if you were
at Mrs. Ince's on Friday
she did not send me

a card!! - I saw one
however - I wondered
there was any resolution
authorizing her to come and
take "on behalf of the Central
Committee" -
from me but

Jessie Becker

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