

Princeton Aug 9<sup>th</sup> 1849

Dear Sir,

I have this morning received via Washington from Mr Drayton a letter of which the following is an extract namely

Three years ago Congress appropriated 2000 dolls for the preparation of the charts of the exploring expedition which was expended for that purpose - 50 sets were delivered to the Observatory and the remainder to the Custom House New York.

The Custom House New York was directed to send to other parts N & E supplies of said charts to be sold at cost of paper & printing say 25 cts. for the larger and 12 1/2 cents for the smaller. From what I can learn there are now very few to be had. I am about to write to Washington

to inform the Department  
that copies of the charts are  
called for and suggesting that  
a supply be immediately  
printed signed

J. Drayton,

Phil.?

I regret that I am un-  
able to give you any further  
information with regard  
to the maps but hope you  
will be able to procure  
copies by means of the data  
I have furnished.

I remain truly  
yours &c

Joseph Henry

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P.S. I start for Cambridge  
on Thursday or Friday of this  
week to attend the meeting  
of the American Scientific  
Association. J.H.