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Sir:

We have been able to arrange for a consultation here on the subject of the expected trial of Mr. Davis as presented to our consideration by your letter of 25th ult. to Mr. Evarts, and have given careful attention to the points which require presently to be provided for.

We now understand that it is the purpose of the Government that this trial shall be proceeded with when the case can be properly prepared, and the court having jurisdiction shall be ready to hear the cause. We also understand that you do not, in your office of Attorney General, expect to take part in the conduct of the prosecution in court, but that you will take part in any consultation, at Washington, that counsel may think necessary.

The first point to which we think attention should be given, as of the greatest importance and responsibility, is the preparation of an indictment, in view of the evidence upon

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posterior margin; the lower mandibular feathers  
white with a blackish bar across the middle; the  
lateral feathers white with a blackish bar across  
the middle; the postorbital feathers blackish with  
a blackish bar across the middle; the rectrices  
white with a blackish bar across the middle; the  
tarsus yellowish green and the claws brownish  
greenish yellow; the upper mandibular feathers  
blackish with a blackish bar across the middle;

which, and the witnesses by whom, it is to be supported at the trial.

Although, as we understand, an indictment has heretofore been found, yet neither in framing it as a pleading, nor in selecting the overt acts averred as the body of the crime, nor in the screening of the evidence by which the averments are to be maintained, has the matter been submitted to the attention of the counsel specially retained for the prosecution. Indeed, so far as this pending indictment has ever been suggested in consultations in which such special counsel have taken part, according to Mr. Evarts' knowledge on the subject, it has always been assumed that whenever the actual prosecution was definitively determined on, the subject of the indictment would need to be taken up, substantially as an original question.

What steps may have been recently taken by the U.S. Attorney for Virginia, towards the preparation and finding of an indictment upon which the prosecution would expect

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To rely, we are as yet without information.

We cannot but think, therefore, that the approaching term of the Circuit Court to be held at Richmond will require as the preliminary step towards a trial, the preparation of an indictment and its finding by the Grand Jury. Whenever the District Attorney shall advise us that he is ready to take up this subject we shall give the matter the proper attention.

Supposing that an indictment is procured, upon which the counsel of the Government will be ready to proceed to trial, and the presence of the witnesses and documentary evidence is assured, we have to consider no other condition in respect of the time or Term of the Court at which the trial can be brought on, except such as arises in respect of the Court's being able to proceed with the trial. We feel quite sure that, upon every possible consideration applicable to this question, it is the general judgment of the country, as it is certainly our own, that the Bh. Justice should preside in his Circuit at the trial. As his public duties at the Term of the Supreme Court at Washington preclude him from holding Circuit at Richmond at the approaching

through your firm proposed position on the question of the  
rights of the owners of the government lands of the  
species having no title or interest of their own. As you propose  
of the ownership being in the company who own't these said lands  
and that the company who own't these said lands shall have  
the right to do what they please with them.

The first point is that you ought to consider that you  
will be liable to answer for the conduct of your agents placed over the property  
of others or owners of other lands or property than your own by authority or  
otherwise, and that you will be answerable for any damages or loss of  
any kind arising out of your negligence in your management or  
conducting of the government lands or property of others so placed  
over them. The second point is that you will be liable to answer  
for any damage or loss which you may cause to your agents  
or employees in the course of their duty in the discharge of  
their duty of managing the government lands or property of others  
by reason of their negligence or want of care, or by reason of their  
negligence or want of care in the discharge of their duty in  
the management of the government lands or property of others.

The third point is that you will be liable to answer for  
any damage or loss which you may cause to your agents

approaching November Term in that City, unless at an adjourned day in the following Spring, we cannot hope that a trial can actually be had until such adjourned day, or at the May Term. We have not heard that the counsel of Mr. Davis have any expectation of anticipating the obligation of his recognizance by desiring a trial on the 13th inst., and we presume that no obstacle will be interposed on their part to the trial being reserved until the Chief Justice will be at liberty to hold the Circuit.

We have the honor to be

Your Ovt Serv'ts

W<sup>m</sup> M. Evarts

(Signed)

Rich. H. Dana Jr.

The Honorable

Henry Stanbery

Attorney General.

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on the exterior; pinkish tinted veins extending from the  
center outwards, giving it a pinkish appearance.  
It is a pale greenish color like the leaf of a  
M. p. but with darker veins. It has a  
thin pinkish tinted portion near the center which  
is very faint, but it is a distinct tint.  
The leaves are broad and flat, about 10 cm. long  
and 5 cm. wide, pointed at the apex and rounded at the base.

I think that this variety finds its name because of its  
pinkish tint and the  
name "Pink".  
about 10 cm. long  
(brasil)  
small bracts

Harmothecia  
pinkish tinted  
leaves