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Dear Watson

Here are my notes  
on Gymnogonum. If you care to  
lick it into shape and publish in  
your next Bot. Cart.

I hesitated some on the involucre  
question, but conclude Dr. Gray is  
right in referring the encircling  
involucre like bracts into named  
appendages, as shown approximately in  
Charyantha. I now only want to  
see the young plant and early  
flowers to get better at the internal  
arrangement of stamens &c

I am much exercised over Oxytheca  
to know where to draw the line between  
it & Eriogonum. Your E. apiculatum  
ined would be a good Oxytheca if it only  
had the theca, and O. mercuris comes  
in to confuse still more, so that we



must either keep O. merrim out of  
Oxytheca, and confine the genus to  
the theca character, or let O. apiculata  
& O. Parishii in. and depend on general  
habit. Do you notice that these  
last have the glandular hairs on the  
internodes like true Oxytheca?  
What is Jones new Oxytheca?

I see my 264 = Chorizanthe stellulata  
but what do you make of 266?  
I enclose some dwarfed Symnogramme  
to show the peculiar flexure &c

Yours truly

C. C. Parry



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