

Berkeley, May 23. 1882.

My Dear Dr. Gray: I hardly
expect this proposed new
Pentstemon will be quite new
to you; for it is common
enough on these hills; but it
certainly falls under none
of the forms described, and
is in habit, & in its constant
characters of 5 or 6 flowers
slender akenes, & 3-awned
grappus, so unlike any
forms I have seen of P. exilis
that I can not accept
it as less than a distinct
species. What do you
think?
I enclose with it the

promised specimen of red.
-rayed F. exilis.

I have, this week, been wrestling
with Convolvulus. The most-
common species about S. F. Bay
is not described in the books of
Cal. Bot., nor even mentioned.

When I sent it you from
Valljo, 8 years ago, you called
it C. Californicus Choisy, which
it certainly can not be, & I
guess it is C. arvensis.

You will, I guess, be surprised
when I tell you that your
C. occidentalis is an evergreen
shrub, climbing over trees
& the height of 20 + 30 feet,
and having its woody stems
as thick as your finger!

Yours as always

Edu. L. Greene.



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