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San Francisco, June 19 1884.

My Dear Dr. Gray:-

It is late to be meddling with
asteroid composites; and possibly you may
have noticed what I am now going to ask your
attention to, namely, the existence of two species
under your *Erigeron inornatus* as last given to
the press, in Bot. Cal. and Proc. Am. Acad.

The Coast Range plant is so very unlike that
of the Sierras and far northward that I would
hardly be surprised to see it transferred to Aster.
Its involucre (glandular) is so much imbricated,
and its scales so green-tipped that I have
named it *Erigeron imbricatus*. It has, moreover,
a less fragile pappus, a good deal, than has the
Sierra plant; besides there are numerous bracteoles below the head.
I suspect that ^{this is} the oldest known form of your *E.*
inornatus, but I suppose that need not forbid
my naming it, rather than the other, as a
new species. If I am wrong in this opinion
please correct me, if indeed you have not anticipated
this whole matter, and set it right in the Syn. Fl.
Yours very truly, E. L. Greene.



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