

very unlike what a wingless Thysanocarpus
would be. Such a one might excuse you
from the blame of misrepresentation, by thinking
you had not looked to see just what it was
that you were condemning. I, for my part,
do not suppose you have ever noticed what
I write, or ever looked to see how very
different are the pods of Thysanocarpus and
Athyrsus. I am guessing that you
have read the name Athyrsus and
thought it told my story, and described
my genus. I did allow the absence of
the wing to name my genus, but not
to characterize it.

Now, my dear friend, do not believe me to be in
an ill humor, because I write so. I am
not. You have said kind things, and you
have done me more than justice in many
places.

So let me blake myself to more useful things
than crying at my hurt, which will not last long.
By no means do I include in my Teneo
omorphilus, any All Saints or San Diegs plants
of Orcutt or of any body else. Let the
dried specimens go, if you will, for

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S. Californicus, but he who does them will know the difference; one will dry in three days, the other hardly in three weeks! But I have told all this in print. My plant, does not grow at All Saints Day even, much less at San Diego.

Malacothrix altissima there is but one specimen of, and that too big to be believed in, until you see it. It has no mature fruit. A most excellent species, very easily described, so unlike the rest in habit; more like our big Stiphamomaria & looks at.

S. Brandegei ^{Coronaria}. You man took but one specimen, very well marked by its smooth nutlets, and deciduous, mostly plump part of papus. May be when I go across I can find a few akenes for you.

Hieracium Brandegei. One plant only. He sent for me, but his man returned a lot of something very different, also new to us, but clearly H. argutum Nutt. by description.

Clarendon's plant is my type of Nomadacladus montanus. That has the hairs on the stem. I was under the impression

that I thought the seeds, in Mrs. Curran's,
immature. You now tell me they are, in one,
3 - 4 times as large as in the other.

Here let me say that no such plant as I
figured in Bot. Mex. Bound. for N. ramosissimum,
is known to me. No such stamens! No
such seeds!

My time is up for to-day. Other things
I will look into for you when I go to
S. F.

Yours ever

E. L. Greene.



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