

May I not ask you to refrain,
for the ~~present~~ present? I
shall soon be done with them,
and you will have what ad-
vantage can be got from ~~the~~
my labors for many years.

I propose to lay aside for
your Compositae mentioned a
desiderata, as duplicates are
in. My fear you especially re-
quire. I would try to furnish out
of the Herbarium. But the species
mass are placed down, more anglica.
We send away duplicates as
soon as we can. So I have
no stock to fall back on.
I shall be glad to have, from
time to time, any new things
you publish.

We are well supplied with Cape
Gramineae, mostly determined by
Muss. So I will not ask for
those you kindly offer.

I return the specimens you
so kindly sent me, and,
with many thanks, I remain,
Very sincerely Yours

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Herbarium Dr. Klatt.

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BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

My dear Sir

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I am much obliged by your kind
letter of Jan. 7, 25. I send you
I believe all of the Onoc. Am. Acad.
papers you ask for, and many more
besides. That from Jan. Bot. Nat. Hist.
Soc. V. is long ago exhausted. But you
could find the volume itself in most of
the Natural History Libraries in Boston.
- in Acad. Sci. Boston, for instance. The
books which you ask me to lend are
in the same case, mostly bulky books,
of which we have only single copies,
and those in daily use.

Mikania Fendleri. You are quite
right. I took Standley's determina-
tion without verification.

Thanks for the bits of specimens
sent to me, plenty as the material
is. I add some notes on them.

Oreochlilia Cumingii. The involucre
(with inward folds) & the style should
have forbidden its reference to that
genus. The head sent, and the bit of
leaf, accord with Chrysopsis (Amundia)
Oregana. But from the printed characters
I could not have brought it.

Brickellia linearifolia. The specimen sent is a Bigelovia, or possibly one of those Ericameria with rays missing. That pass into Bigelovia. The bit sent does not suffice to tell the species. I note that the character printed and the specimen are at variance in some important respects. - Now, I can now tell you the species, it is Bigelovia Douglasii, Gray!

Ericameria erecta = Aplopappus (Ericameria) Bloomeri, Gray

Senecio Cumingii, is torreyi! either S. cordifolia or S. latifolia, probably latter. Both are occasionally cordate. It might be S. Persii, Gray, which is rayless, but has leaves not distinctly cordate.

S. exillaris. I have Richardson's specimens. It is too near S. selignei.

You know I am now doing the Compositae for my Syn. Fl. N. Am. I expect to print in the spring and summer. (You see from the above how dangerous it is, - how troublesome to me, and how bad for yourself, to publish new species from our region, from single specimens; and with the comparatively small knowledge you have of our flora,



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