

In *Loranthaceae* I have been much aided by Oliver's previous careful study of the Order. Your *L. maytenipolius* is I think a very distinct species which I have not seen ~~for~~ in any other collection - the specimen ^(supposed) of *Fraseri* which on a hasty inspection you marked as the same in Herb. Kool is certainly different and I believe not Australian - Amongst others on the St. Coast is one which Dr. deCredé found junior as *L. indicus* Desm. which it is not - as Dr. would have seen if he had looked at Lamour's figure overlooked by him although quoted by A. S. - the true *L. indicus* is nothing but the common *L. longiflorus*.

Three different species and perhaps more have ~~the~~ in Australia have the two forms of leaves referred to by Thwaites in *L. longiflorus* - one with ~~sepile~~ deeply cordate leaves, the other with petiolate leaves narrowed at the base.

You would oblige me very much by sending me as soon as convenient any notes connected with Australian forms of these two orders *Eucaerium* & *Corporatus* in which you have done so much and so well.

What are you and other Botanists generally doing in America now that the blessings of peace are restored to you? Is there any chance of your great work.

being gone on with?

Our poor friend Harvey I much fear
is in a very precarious state. I understand
he sits up again a little but the attack
has been so very severe that I believe
those about him only anticipate a fatal
result. He would be a great loss. As
for me since the death of my early
friends Hooker and Lindley I feel that
I belong to a past generation of
botanists whom in the natural
course of events I must soon follow.
with little prospect of completing either
H. Austral or Gen. Pl. - but whilst I can
I hope to work hard at them.

Yours ever sincerely
George Bentham



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