

11 Lovell St.

Reading, Mass. Dec. 6. 1911.

Dear Mr. Collins.

Some days ago, Mrs Dunham sent you a specimen of *Polytrichum*, collected by me, that interested you.

Last week I visited the locality again and collected a lot more of it and so I am sending you some of it.

The specimen A is the long slender form with appressed leaves. while B more nearly resembles the ordinary form, but in this specimen there are many intermediate forms. It is for this reason that I am sending you the specimens Both A and B were collected ~~within~~ a few feet apart. They grew in a very wet bog, associated with *Sphagnum*.



Torreyanum. - so wet that the roots of the Polytrichum were in water for part of the season at least.

It was very abundant over quite a large area. It seems to agree microscopically with P. commune, as far as I can see, but it looks quite different, both in the wet and dry condition.

I have recently found Polytrichum gracile at Melrose, Mass. and my determination has been verified by Mrs. Dunham.

Yours sincerely.

C. C. Kingman.



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