

Dear Dr

Retro Aug 14th 1866

I have been making lately short excursions of two or three days at a time into the palm & pine savannas (so they call them here) toward the coast. I have already written you something of them. Yesterday I returned from one & brought back what appears a new *Bheedia*-fr. much like a lime and almost as large. I got a *Portulaca* & a *Digitaria* and a *Paspalum* & a *Rhynchospora* and a *Festuca*? &c. &c. which I can't make out. I have now dry & drying three *Nymphæas* *N. ampla*, *N. Rudgeana*, & another night-flowering one a more delicate plant than the others or that the number as given by Grisebach is doubled. I find a little *Portulaca* in these savannas with white or very pale flowers as often 4 as 5-petals & small black muriculate seed. I don't believe it is any var. of *P. pilosa*. The *Vitacea* need straightening up. Under *V. tripartita* at least two sp. are conjoined - fl. scarlet. But one has the young fr. of a dark lurid color & studded with ~~separate~~ ^(young fr. smooth) tubercles and larger leaves. There must also be separate from *C. sicyoides*, a sp. with small leaves (of which I have sent specimens) and young fr. like the above described - leaves much smaller than in the true *C. sicyoides*. Then there is another quite distinct ^(leaves 3-foliate) species. This I think Grisebach ought to have had from me perhaps *C. alata* Lam. with the inflorescence yellow - stem strongly angled if not winged. I got a *Pectis* too which don't fit any enumerated in Griseb. By the way I am making capital specimens of these tumble-to-pieces plants by coating them beneath my thin black board placed in the sun. A good many specimens of several species kept together quite as well as ordinary plants.

16th Please tell me if the enclosed scrap is *Phyllanthus poireanensis* Poepp. A dull rainy day. I would go to Balatona if it were pleasant and carry there the bundles of dry plants I have here to get them out of my way & to incorporate with those I have there. I am out of paper

Sanivalle has sent me some as far as Artemisa. Hence it is
 carried in a cart & may have to wait some days for an opportunity.
 Or it may now be in the box. For some days we have had no
 papers. At last I got a letter from home. — Marvin's says "No
 letters lost through my neglect never." Hope you'll send along the
 "Nat. Pl. Leat." soon. I want it badly for Myrt. Melastom. Leg. Pip. &c
 I have two Antanthos which agree with no description I have
 Yours ever Cha. Wright

note 1937 - which is true P. pinnatis (var.)
 i.e. is pinnatis.

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It is a form of Nini. Collect again

Dear
 Lady
 Aug. 8

yours of Aug 8 just come
 C.W.



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