

Botanical Museum,
Oxford St., Cambridge,
Mass., U. S. A.,

Oct. 13, 1928,

My dear Mr. Lankester, -

I Thank you for
your letter of August 27th, which
awaited the arrival of your pack-
age of specimens. The determinations
of these have doubtless reached you.
It was a nice collection with
several new species and I look
forward to having my desider-
ata answered before long. Of
course you will realize that
flowers without herbarium materi-
al or vice versa are often not
~~only difficult~~ only impossible
to determine but also inadequate to
describe as new species..

> As to the "*Trichopilia punctata*" there
must be some mistake as it does not at
all answer the description.

I recently sent the draft to Signor Span.
I shall send the phials and press-
ing straps, requested in your letter of
Sept. 8, as soon as possible.

Meanwhile I am especially an-
xious to receive data about the
new *Masdevallia* ¹¹⁷⁶ (minute tufted
plant sent ~~only~~ in formalin) ~~with~~
bearing the only data "52 Miles".
What does this mean? Where &
when did you find this plant?

Also I lately decided that *Maxill-
aria* 1213 (^{plant} sent only in formalin)
cannot reasonably be considered
distinct from *M. piestopus* one of
Schlechter's new ^{though varying in some details} species. There was,
however no date of collection sent,
so kindly forward this.

^{insert above} No. 1056 is not *Sipalossocus*, as
you might reasonably ^{suspect} think, but a
strange genus which we can scarcely
describe without vegetative parts.
Thanking you in advance, I remain
Yours sincerely C. S.



Schweinfurth, Charles. 1928. "Schweinfurth, Charles Oct. 13, 1928 [to C.H. Lankester]." *Oakes Ames Orchid Herbarium correspondence files*

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