

June 15, 1950.

C. H. Lankester Esq.,

Las Concavas, Cartago, Costa Rica, C.A.

Dear Mr. Lankester:

Replying to your letter of May 13th, let me thank you for sending me the kodachromes of the remarkable *Masdevallia*. Herewith I return two of them, as requested, and shall take the liberty of retaining one of the others "to be returned" until I have the opportunity of describing this species later. I had hoped, as I wrote, that I was to have a complete plant protected by cardboard, since I am loath to describe any species without a complete plant from the root up. Would not this still be possible?

I quite agree with you about the advisability of creating an "orchid haven" in your rich country. Why cannot you who are right on the ground stimulate such a project?

Sincerely yours,

Charles Schweinfurth.

Research Fellow in Botany, Harvard University



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