Carolina, and again this summer I found it near Pineola in the same County. I believe this is new to the state and extends the southern limit of its range from Virginia into North Carolina. The species is not included in Small's Flora which covers North Carolina.—FRANCIS WELLES HUNNEWELL, Wellesley, Mass.

# MONOGRAPHIC STUDIES IN THE GENUS ELEOCHARIS. IV

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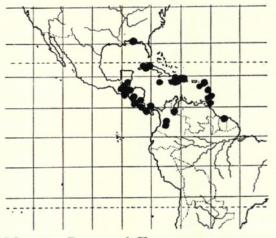
10. E. RETROFLEXA (Poir.) Urban (PL. 461, FIG. 11). MAP 8. Cespitose, often proliferous annual (?) with fibrous roots: culms green, filiform, usually recurved, 2-2.5 cm. long, flattened to deeply quadrangular-sulcate, obscurely punctate: sheath stramineous to reddish, obtuse, scarious and inflated at the summit: spikelets few- to manyflowered, the scales usually spreading in fruit: scales green, keeled, obtuse to acute, often with chestnut to reddish-brown sides: style 3-fid: achene 1.0-1.2 mm. long, trigonous, cancellate, costate, obovoid to urceolate, white or stramineous: style-base light brown, as wide and 1/3 as long as the body of the achene, *pyramidal-acuminate*, the angles decurrent on the costae of the achene: bristles white, shorter than the achene.—Symb. Ant. ii. 165 (1900); Britton & Wilson, Bot. Porto Rico & Virgin Is. v<sup>1</sup>. 92 (1923); Small, Man. 164 (1933); Uittien in Pulle, Fl. Surinam i. 112 (1934). Scirpus retroflexus Poir. in Lam. Encyc. vi. 753 (1804). Cyperus depauperatus Vahl, Enum. ii. 305 (1805). Baeothryon retroflexum A. Dietr. Sp. Pl. ii. 93 (1833). Eleocharis depauperata Kunth, Enum. ii. 140 (1837). Chaetocyperus polymorphus Nees & Lindl. a depauperatus Nees in Mart. Fl. Bras. ii<sup>1</sup>. 94 (1842); Liebmann, [Mexicos Halvgraes] Vidensk. Selsk. Skr. ser. 5, ii. 242 (1851). C. niveus Liebm. and C. viviparus Liebm. (l. c.). Chaetocyperus rugulosus Nees, Bonplandia iii. 86 (1855) [Panama]. Heleocharis triflora Boeckl. Flora lxiii. 437 (1880) acc. to Britton.<sup>1</sup> E. Chaetaria Britton, Journ. N. Y. Mic. Soc. iii. 105 (1889); Mohr, Contr. U. S. Nat. Herb. vi. 398 (1901); and other auths. as to American plants only.-Alabama, West Indies, and abundantly throughout the American tropics, Poiret's type coming from Porto Rico. ALABAMA: copiously about the spring, Daphne, eastern shore of Mobile Bay, Aug. 23, 1896, Mohr (NY, US). CUBA [all known collections are from Pinar del Rio and Havana provinces]: Pinar del Rio, Shafer no. 335 (NY); Sierra de Cabra, Britton & Cowell no. 9808 (NY); Rio Mestanza,

<sup>1</sup> Probably, however, *E. parvula* var. *anachaeta* (see RHODORA XXXI. 177 (1929) and XXXVI. 388 (1934)), conforming especially well with Boeckeler's description of the style-base "rostro minuto viridulo triangulari acuto, basi haud prominente."

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Britton & Cowell no. 10153 (NY); Vinales, Ekman no. 18001 (G); Herradura, Ekman no. 17792 (G); in humidis, Anafe, Havana, Ekman no. 236 (G, NY); Laguna del Ariguanabo, Havana, León & Edmund no. 874a (NY) and León & Nivard no. 7622 (NY); wet savannas, Chirigota, C. Wright, Oct. 30, 1865 (NY); C. Wright no. 3764 (G, NY) and 3367 (G) in part; C. Wright 3377 (G) (as Sc. natans Grisebach). JAMAICA: Portland side, Britton no. 3533 (NY); Port Antonio, A. E. Wight no. 88 (NY); Ashkenish, Britton & Hollick no. 2191 (NY); 400 m. alt., Dolphin Head, Britton & Hollick no. 2239 (NY); New Castle, Britton & Hollick no. 1774 (NY); 2500–2800 ft. alt., Bull Head Mountains, Harris no. 12,266 (G, NY); growing round edges of ponds near Ewarton, Harris no. 8512 (NY); 2000 ft. alt., Kellits, Upper Clarendon, Harris no. 11,150 (CO, G, NY); Castleton Gardens,

Harris no. 12,320 (NY); growing amongst grasses at 2500 ft. alt., Upper Clarendon, Harris no. 11,106 (NY); near Ewarton, L. M. Underwood no. 1862 (NY); Moody's Gap, Britton no. 3410 (NY); Troy, Cockpit Country, Britton no. 451 (NY); Cornwall, Lacovia, Britton no. 1494 (NY); plain of Westmoreland, Purdie (G, NY). SAN DOMINGO: C. Wright, Parry & Brummel no. 597 (NY); sea level to 100 m., Villa Riva, Prov. Pacificador, Abbott no. Porto (G, NY, US). 557RICO: Caquas, O. Kuntze in



MAP 8. Range of ELEOCHARIS RETRO-FLEXA.

1874 (NY); Sierra de Naguabo, Shafer no. 3575 (NY); Sierra de Luguillo, Sintenis no. 1403 (G); in mud along brook, Las Cruces, Britton no. 9531 (NY); Colonia San Miguel, Britton & Shafer no. 1630 (CO, G, NY); Sierra de Naguabo, Britton & Cowell no. 2108 (NY); San Juan, Heller no. 669 (NY); Sierra de Naguabo, Shafer no. 3511 (NY); Sabana Aboja, Britton no. 9199 (NY) and no. 9364 (NY); Yunque, F. L. Stevens & Hess no. 2813 (NY) and 4824 (B); wet sand, Laguna Tortuguero, Britton no. 9908 (NY); Monte Cerrote, Britton & Brown no. 5406 (NY); mountain between Guayama and Cayey, Britton & Brown no. 6575 (NY); Rio Piedras Hioram in 1914 (NY); Sierra de Loquillo, Blanner in 1852 (NY). ANTIGUA: Duss no. 77 (NY). MONTSERRAT: Gagris Mountain, about 1500 ft., Shafer no. GUADELOUPE: Duss no. 3739 (CO, NY). DOMINICA: 383 (NY). "Sylvania" 1500-1800 ft., Cooper no. 124 (NY); Laudat, F. E. Lloyd no. 329 (NY). MARTINIQUE: Duss no. 224 (NY) and 4521 (NY). GRENADA: Black Forest, Broadway in 1896 (NY). TRINIDAD: St. Augustine, Britton, Hazen & Freeman no. 954 (G, NY); Oropuche,

Broadway no. 7920 (B). BRITISH HONDURAS: Aquatic growing in shallow water, Schipp no. 690 (NY); growing at water's edge, forming dense mats, Big Creek, Schipp no. 192 (NY). GUATEMALA: Coban, Depart. Alta Verapaz, alt. 4300 ft., Türckheim no. 900 (NY, US); Quirigua, Depart. de Izabal, alt. 75-225 m., Standley nos. 24171 (NY) and 24277 (G, NY); Puerto Barrios, Depart. de Izabal, at sea level, Standley no. 24743 (NY); vic. Puerto Barrios, Pittier no. 369 (G, US); Quebradas, Depart. Izabal, S. F. Blake no. 7518 (G, US); Cubilquitz, Depart. Alta Verapaz, alt. 350 m., Türckheim no. 8613 (G, NY). HONDURAS: vic. of Tela, Standley no. 56624 (NY). SALVADOR: Ixtepeque, Depart. de San Vincente, alt. 400 m., Standley no. 21453 (NY); San Salvador, Bernoulli no. 7 (NY). NICARAGUA: Cartago [probably from Costa Rica], Oersted in 1846 (Cop) (TYPE of Chaetocyperus niveus); San Juan de Nicaragua, Oersted in 1846 (Cop) (as Chaetocyperus polymorphus & capillaceus); vulcano Irasee, alt. 10,000'. Oersted in 1847 (Cop) (as Ch. viviparus Nees). COSTA RICA: Rodeo. Tonduz no. 1619 (US); La Palma, Tonduz no. 12646 (US); Buenos Aires, Tonduz no. 4889 (Cop); Las Vueltas, Tonduz no. 13324 (NY). PANAMA: Colon, Kuntze no. 1852 (NY); Rio Tecumen, Prov. Panama, Standley no. 26657 (NY); El Boquete, Chiriqu, alt. 1000-1300 m., Maxon no. 5380 (NY, US); Laguna de Paratala, Prov. Panama, Pittier no. 4601 (NY, US); El Boquete, 1400 m., Killip no. 4533 (NY, US); near Chepo, Pittier no. 4559 (G, NY). VENEZUELA: Tovar, Fendler no. 1584 (G, NY). COLOMBIA: alt. 1500-1600 m., Dept. El Valle, Pennell & Killip no. 5981 (G, NY); San Pablo, E. André, alt. 1280 m., no. 4279<sup>1</sup> (G, NY) (as E. tenuissima); Dept. El Valle, Pennell & Killip no. 5309 (G, NY). SURINAM: Schweinitz no. 6 (NY): Paramaribo, Hohenacker no. 1856 (CO). BRAZIL: Schrader (CO) (Scirpus punctatus Schrader).

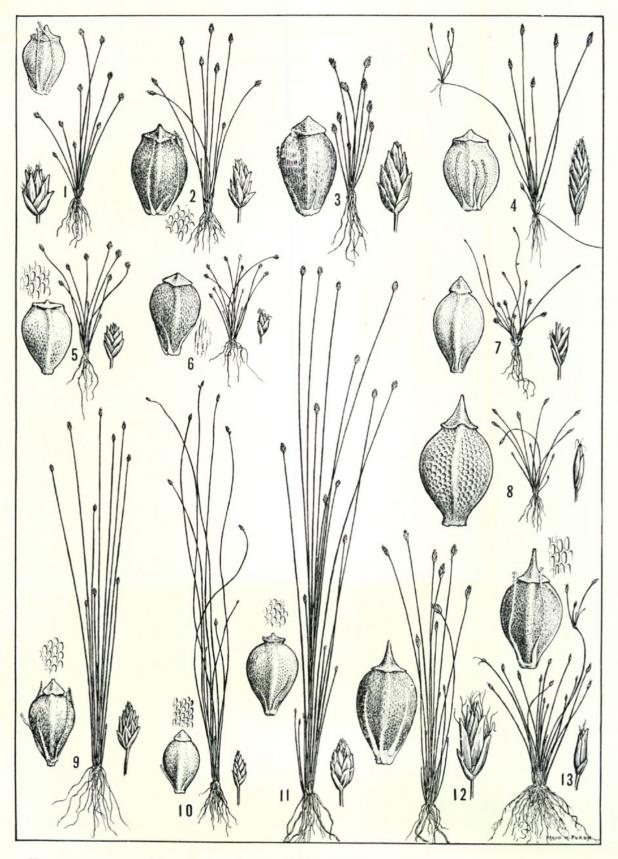
E. retroflexa, more frequently collected than any other small species of *Eleocharis* from the American tropics, and easily recognized by the recurved culms and trigonous cancellate achenes, is, so far as I know, not found south of Brazil, and in the United States has not been seen since Mohr's discovery of the species in Alabama in 1896.

Chaetocyperus obtusatus Nees in Mart. Fl. Bras. ii<sup>1</sup>. 94 (1842), the description resting wholly upon Tweedie's immature specimen in hb. Lindley, has been placed in the synonymy of *E. retroflexa* by most authors, but is maintained by Boeckeler (Linnaea xxxvi. 432 (1869–70)) under *E. acicularis*.

11. E. GLAUCA Boeckl. (PL. 461, FIG. 2). MAP 9. Semi-aquatic, with long rootstocks (or stolons): culms 2–5 cm. high, erect, rigid, glaucous green, irregularly sulcate: sheaths reddish, loose, scarious and marcescent at the apex: spikelets ovate to narrowly lanceolate, 2–6 mm. long, about 6–15-flowered: scales scarcely keeled, appressed, obtuse

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ELFOCHARIS, SERIES TENUISSIMAE (habit  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ , spikelets  $\times \frac{21}{2}$ , achenes  $\times 20$ ). FIGS. 1–4 and 7, E. MINIMA: FIG. 1, E. Durandii; 2, E. Jamesonii; 3, E. Wrightiana; 4, var. AMBIGUA; 7, Brazilian plant. FIG. 5, E. URCEOLATA. FIG. 6, E. OLIGANTHA. FIG. 8, E. ALVEOLATA. FIGS. 9–11, E. MICROCARPA: FIG. 9, var. FILICULMIS; 10, typical; 11, var. BRITTONII. FIGS. 12 and 13, E. BALDWINII.

to acute, with a prominent thickened green center and thin brownish sides: style 3-fid: achene trigonous, obtuse-angled, *obovate-urceolate*,

0.8 mm. long, stramineous to brownish-gray, cancellate: style-base low-pyramidal, apiculate in the center, light brown, deeply 3-crested at the base: bristles white, rudimentary.—Kjoeb. Vidensk. Meddel. 1871. 150 (1871). E. arenaria Benth. Journ. Bot. ii. 244 (1850); C. B. Clarke, Kew Bull. Add. Ser. viii. 106 (1908) (nomen) and Ill. Cyp. t. xxxvii, f. 8–12 (1909). E. alveolata Svenson, RHODORA xxxi. 241 (1929), as to Brazilian specimens.—BRAZIL: in vicinibus Santarem, Prov. Pará, Spruce "Eleocharis (Scirpidium) (3)" Aug. 1850 (G, NY) (TYPE



MAP 9. Range of ELEOCHARIS GLAUCA.

collection); Santarem, Spruce "Scirpidium (4)" Sept. 1850 (NY); vic. Pará, C. F. Baker, no. 416 (Pom.).

This species is near *E. retroflexa*, but has erect spongy culms, longer spikelets, and smaller achenes with decidedly different tubercles. Spruce's "Eleocharis (Scirpidium (5)" (G, NY) from Santarem perhaps belongs with this species, but the material is too poor for definite determination.

Bentham's informal account of E. arenaria, based on a Spruce collection from Pará (1849) describes "an *Eleocharis* of the section *Chaetocyperus*, which has been distributed as new, under the name of E. arenaria. A further examination, however, induces me [Bentham] to suspect that it may be a mere variety of *Ch. bonariensis* Nees, differing in the number of setae, six instead of three, and the more distinctly granular achenia. It forms large patches on the sand at Caripi, and serves to bind the sand." This meagre description was amplified by Clarke's detailed illustration, thereby the species may be said to have achieved publication but much later than Boeckeler's publication of *E. glauca*. It is on the basis of Clarke's illustration, and the fact that the material was derived from the same locality, that I cite *E. arenaria* as a synonym of *E. glauca*.

12. E. ALVEOLATA Svenson (PL. 460, FIG. 8). MAP 10. Forming dense mats: culms 2-5 cm. long, frequently recurved, capillary, triangular to sulcate-quadrangular, punctate: sheaths reddish brown, firm, scarious, and a little inflated at the apex: spikelets linear, acute, 2-3 mm. long, usually sterile: scales 3-4, linear, strongly keeled, brown with a hyaline margin: style 3-fid: achenes, most frequently situated at the culm-bases, acutely trigonous, 1-1.3 mm. long (including the prominent style-base), obovate, narrowed at base and apex, stipitate, shining, olivaceous to whitish, prominently cancellate: stylebase trigonous, elongated, conical, *acuminate*, from a broad base: bristles lacking.—Rhodora xxxi. 241 (1929) excluding citations from



MAP 10. Range of Eleocharis Alveolata.

Brazil. Scirpus capillaceus Griseb. Cat. Fl. Cubens. 239 (1866), not E. capillacea Kunth. Heleocharis capillacea Kükenthal in Fedde, Rep. Spec. Nov. xxiii. 191. (1926), not Kunth.— Sandy pine-lands of Western Cuba. PINAR DEL RIO: Herradura, Ekman no. 17788 (TYPE G) (NY, S); Mendoza, Ekman no. 18761 (at least in part) (NY, S); Laguna Los Indios, Shafer no. 10817 (NY); Laguna Jovero, Shafer no. 10900 (NY); Hacienda San Julian, south of Guane, León & Roca no. 6953

(NY). ISLE OF PINES: Laguna Santa Rosalia, Britton, Britton & Wilson no. 15621 (G, NY). Without locality: C. Wright (as Anisostachya decipiens (Wr.) (NY); C. Wright no. 3367, in part (G).

The spikelets superficially resemble those of *E. capillacea* Kunth, a species confined to tropical South America. They are nearly always sterile, a fact which has brought about confusion with *E. capillacea*.

13. E. BALDWINII (Torr.) Chapman, (PL. 460, FIGS. 12, 13). MAP 11. Perennial, *forming loose tufts:* rootstocks (rarely present) loosely branched-ascending, the fibrous white roots numerous: culms *usually* 

wiry, capillary, 3-20 cm. long, often proliferous, dull green, flattened-sulcate, punctate: prominent, red to sheaths yellow, the apex acute: spikelets flattened, linear to ovate, 3-6 mm. long, 3-8-flowered: scales linear, acute, strongly keeled, red to faded brown, the lowest scale much shorter: style 3-fid: achene 1 mm. long, sharply triangular, dark olivebrown, frequently obscurely striolate: style-base short- to long-pyramidal, sharply angled, subulate tipped, brownish: bristles shorter than the achene, brownish-tinged, ob-



MAP 11. Range of Eleocharis Bald-WINII.

scurely toothed.—Fl. S. U. States 519 (1860); Small, Man. 165 (1933). Chaetocyperus Baldwinii Torr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. iii. 295 (1836). E. prolifera Torr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. iii. 316 (1836) (in part); Small, Fl. Se. United States 185 (1903) and Man. 165 (1933).—Sandy soil in pine

barrens along the coastal plain, North Carolina to Louisiana. NORTH CAROLINA: pine barren exsiccated ponds, Wilmington, M. A. Gurtis [3 cm. high, dwarf form with basal spikelets] (NY). GEORGIA: St. Mary's, Baldwin in 1813 (TYPE, NY) [proliferous, spikelets 3-8flowered]; dry sandy pine woods, Brunswick, Glynn County, Pyron & McVaugh no. 260 (B); flat pine barrens, Douglas, Coffee County, R. M. Harper no. 685 (G, NY); margin of cypress pond near Chatterton, Coffee County, R. M. Harper no. 1451 (G, NY); rather dry pine barrens, Thomas County, R. M. Harper no. 1176 (G, NY); pine barrens, Waycross, Ware County, R. M. Harper no. 670 (NY). FLORIDA: pineland-prairies, near the Sebastian River, St. Lucie County, Small, Britton & DeWinkeler no. 9211 (NY); Okeechobee prairie, north of Okeechobee City, Small, Britton & DeWinkeler nos. 9244 (NY) and 9247 (NY); Lake Okeechobee, Small et al. nos. 8217 (NY), 9259 (NY), 4464 (NY), 4335 (NY), 4417 (NY), and 4365 (NY); sandy shore of West Crooked Lake, Eustis, Lake County, Nash no. 496 (G, NY, US); in wet ditch, Branchton, F. S. Blanton no. 6766 (NY); in moist sandy soil near Orange Dale, St. Johns County, Moldenke no. 5245 (NY); moist pine barrens near Jacksonville, Curtiss nos. 3074 (G), and 5241 (G, NY); Miami, Garber in 1877 (NY); Tampa, Britton & Wilson no. 51 (NY); Tampa, Garber in 1877 (NY); Apalachicola, Chapman no. 2302a (G, NY); hard road, Brevard County, Fredholm nos. 5752 (G) (as E. capillacea), 6070 (G, NY); flatwoods, Alva, Lee County, A. S. Hitchcock no. 401 (G, NY) (as E. Chaetaria); Jacksonville, Curtiss no. 3074 (NY); Chapman (NY); without further locality: Simpson in 1889 (NY); LeRoy (NY); Leavenworth (NY); Underwood no. 1926 (NY); Rugel no. 62 (US). LOUISIANA: sandy silt on margin of Caddo Lake, near Oil City, Caddo Parish, Uhler & Kubichek, Sept. 23, 1934 (B).

E. Baldwinii, as Torrey long ago noted, has a superficial resemblance to E. Chaetaria. There is much variation in size from wiry robust plants, best developed in sandy soil, to the very dwarf material with slender, few-flowered spikelets, especially abundant in the Everglades of Florida, maintained as E. prolifera<sup>1</sup> (PL. 461, FIG. 13) by Dr.

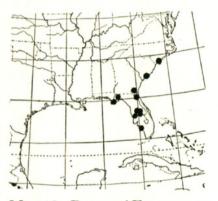
<sup>1</sup> E. prolifera Torr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. iii. 315, 442 (1836). Torrey applied this hopeless nomen confusum, which should be rejected, to proliferous plants in general, comprising at least three previously established species. According to my interpretation, his informal account (p. 315) applies mainly to E. vivipara; that on p. 442 primarily to E. microcarpa var. Brittonii. The following entities occupying 4 sheets, named E. prolifera by Torrey in his herbarium, are involved:

(1). A plant with soft greenish elongated filiform culms, represented from Milledgeville, Georgia, *Boykin* in 1826 (with achenes), and from North Carolina, M. A. *Curtis*; clearly proliferous E. microcarpa, with achenes as in the typical form. The *Boykin* specimen is annotated as the "type" by Dr. Britton.

(2). Coarse plants, resembling *E. albida* but with strong brown roots, and lightly cancellate achenes with brownish bristles. These are *E. vivipara* Link, represented from Charleston, South Carolina, *B. D. Greene*, [with Torrey's annotation "This may be a state of my *Chaetocyperus Baldwinii* & the plant referred to in Baldwin's notes"];

Small. A clear intergradation between the extremes is apparent in the actual type of E. Baldwinii, which bears both small and large (3-8-flowered) spikelets.

14. E. VIVIPARA Link. (PL. 461, FIG. 12). MAP 12. Erect from a stout often vertical rootstock covered by the culm bases of the previous year: roots coarse, deep brown: culms 1-3 dm. high, filiform, to 0.5 mm. wide, light green, faintly punctate, deeply striate to sulcate: sheaths



MAP 12. Range of Eleocharis VIVIPARA.

yellowish, often purple at base, firm, acute and frequently lightly purpletipped at the apex: spikelets linearcylindric, acute, many-flowered, 3–8 mm. long, usually wholly proliferous and seldom perfecting fruit: scales appressed, obtuse, 2 mm. long, usually without a keel, dark chestnut on the sides, with whitish hyaline margin, the lowest somewhat larger, erect and appressed to the base of the spikelet: style 3-fid: achene triangular, obovate, 1 mm. long, dark gray, coarsely reticulate to cancellate: style-base pyramidal, narrower than the achene, light gray to nearly

black (if so with a whitened elevated ridge at the base): bristles reddish-brown, closely retrorse-toothed, nearly equalling the achene.— Hort. Berol. i. 283 (1827); A. Dietrich, Sp. Pl. ii. 87 (1833); Kunth, Enum. ii. 146 (1837); Boeckl. Linnaea xxxvi. 429 (1869–70); Small, Man. 164 (1933). E. prolifera Chapman, Fl. S. United States 516 (1860). E. Curtisii Small, Man. 165 (1933). Chlorocharis vivipara Rikli, Pringsheim Jahrb. xxvii. 564 (1895). NORTH CAROLINA<sup>1</sup>: Wilmington, M. A. Curtis (NY) (TYPE of E. Curtisii). SOUTH CARO-LINA: Charleston, B. D. Greene (hb. Torrey, as E. prolifera). GEORGIA: Chesser's prairie, Okefinokee Swamp, A. N. Leeds no. 1753 (Ph, B); F. Harper no. 539 (Ph, B). FLORIDA: without loc.: Rugel no. 61 (NY); Chapman (as E. prolifera Torr.) (NY). Hillsboro County: Tampa,

and from Florida, *Chapman*, with the notation, "This seems distinct from Dr. Boykin's plant." [An achene of *E. vivipara!* is glued on the annotation slip.]

(3). Plants with filiform culms and reddish sheaths, E. Baldwinii, from Columbus, Georgia [Chapman?]

(4). An envelope, containing fruiting spikelets, labeled "Fruit. Dr. Chapman, Florida," (evidently the source of the description of E. prolifera on page 442), accompanied by drawings with the annotation "Middle Florida. Dr. Chapman," and clearly representing E. microcarpa var. Brittonii (E. tenuis var.  $\beta$ . Torr.). On this sheet are also a sterile plant of E. vivipara and a proliferous E. Baldwinii labeled "no. 347 Scirpus tenuis? Florida. Dr. Chapman."

<sup>1</sup>A recent collection from Princess Anne County, Virginia, *Fernald*, *Long* & *Fogg* no. 4817, Sept. 12, 1935 (G, B), "forming the continuous turf at peaty margin of cove, southern end of Lake Joyce," extends the range of *E. vivipara* considerably to the northward.

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Curtiss no. 3088 (heavily fruiting) (NY, B). Manatee County: Palma Sola, Tracy no. 6959 (NY), 3405 (B). Polk County: (collections by J. B. McFarlin, 1931): submerged on sand, Crooked Lake, no. 3378; vic. Lakeland, no. 3405 (B); Dundee Road, vic. Winter Haven, nos. 5091, 5101; east of Lake Reedy, no. 5146; high hammock, Bartow Swamp, vic. Winter Haven, nos. 5758, 5762, 5763 (NY). Lake County: drained swamp, Eustis, Nash no. 864 (NY). Duval County: Jacksonville, Curtiss nos. 4089 (NY), 4866 (NY). Leon County: Tallahassee, N. K. Berg (NY). Franklin County: marshy borders of ponds and streams, Appalachicola, Biltmore Herb. no. 3881 (NY).

The species produces mature achenes infrequently, and is often most readily identified by the coarse brown roots proceeding from thickened rootstocks. The relationship is apparently with E. tortilis.

Through the kindness of Dr. Gager and Dr. Mattfeld, I have received from Berlin a photograph of the type of *E. vivipara* Link. Dr. Mattfeld writes that the specimen is very unsatisfactory since it has only a single spikelet containing immature flowers. By Dr. Kükenthal, it has been found identical with *E. vivipara* Kunth, based on a *Beyrich* collection from Carolina. Judging from this photograph, Link's fragmentary specimen, originating from



MAP 13. Range of ELEOCHARIS SUBFOLIATA.

North America and grown at the Berlin Botanic Garden, has much the appearance of *Curtiss* no. 4089 (distributed as *E. prolifera* Torr.).

*E. Curtisii* rests on a single dwarf specimen in the herbarium of the New York Botanical Garden. When examined by me in 1930 this specimen had several spikelets, but at the present writing only a fragmentary spikelet remains. The achene preserved by Dr. Small shows the same reticulated surface as in *E. vivipara* and I have no hesitation in treating *E. Curtisii* as a synonym.

15. E. SUBFOLIATA C. B. Clarke (PL. 461, FIG. 5). MAP 13. Cespitose annual with fibrous roots: culms capillary, rigid, 3-6 cm. long, punctate, compressed or obscurely quadrangular-sulcate: sheaths brown to purplish, somewhat inflated at the apex, often splitting into fibrous segments: spikelets ovate or elliptic, 3-6 mm. long, 6-10-flowered: scales keeled, subdistichous, rigid, acute, 2 mm. long, brown, greenish on the keel and with a scarious margin: style 3-fid: achene trigonous, obscurely costulate, 1 mm. long, elliptic-obovate, brownishgray, iridescent, lightly cancellate: style-base small, pyramidal, grayish,

1/2 as wide as the achene: bristles brown, rudimentary to nearly equalling the achene.—Kew Bull. Add. Ser. viii. 22 (1908). E. spadicea C. B. Clarke (nomen confusum) Kew Bull. Add. Ser. viii. 21 (1908). —BRAZIL: ad cataractas fl. Aripicuru [a northern tributary of the R. Trombetas], Prov. Pará, R. Spruce, Dec. 1849 (G, K, NY). BRITISH GUIANA: Drake (K, S) (as E. Wrightiana, det. Clarke).

The above description and figure are based upon the fertile plants represented in Spruce's collection in the Gray Herbarium, the species as described by Clarke resting mainly upon aberrant, sterile plants with coarser culms and elongated spikelets (reaching 10 mm. in length) undoubtedly the same as a specimen in the herbarium of the New York Botanical Garden. Clarke also cited under *E. subfoliata Gardner* no. 2753, from Piauhy, Brazil, a collection which I am treat-



MAP 14. Range of ELEOCHARIS GRISEA.

ing as questionable E. nigrescens (see discussion under that species). Gardner's plant has no real connection with E. subfoliata, although the elongated apex of the sheath (superficially resembling the shredded apex in Spruce's aberrant specimen) may have contributed somewhat to Clarke's selection of the specific name. E. subfoliata has much of the outward appearance of E. minima, but the culms are sparser and

more rigid, and the brownish-gray achenes are distinctive in their narrowed summit, deep reticulation which one might call subcancellate, and peculiar iridescence. In the Drake specimen cited, the culms are 10–15 cm. long. To *E. subfoliata* also probably belong the sterile plants from British Guiana represented by *Jenman* no. 4770 (K) and *Jenman* no. 6114 (NY), the latter determined by Boeckeler as *E. nana*.

A sterile collection by *Parker* (K) from Demerara [British Guiana] with reddish-brown spikelets, labeled by C. B. Clarke as "*E. spadicea*" probably belongs here, but the only reference following the wholly inadequate description of *E. spadicea* is "Chaetocyperus albibracteatus Nees! in Nov. Act. Nat. Cur. xix. Suppl. I (1843), p. 95, partim." Upon turning to that publication, one finds merely the secondary citation of a specimen "In Guiana, Hook. Herb. Lindl." the description otherwise being based wholly on the high Andean plant known as *E. albibracteata*. Thus, if *E. spadicea* is held to have been adequately published (which I do not think is the case), the *Parker* specimen may perhaps represent the type.

16. E. GRISEA Kükenthal (PL. 465, FIG. 5). MAP 14. Culms few from a slender creeping rhizome, 8–10 cm. high (0.5–1 mm. wide in dried material), flaccid, compressed, obscurely sulcate and lightly punctate: sheaths light brownish-purple, the apex marcescent: spikelets ovate, 3–4 mm. long, 3–6-flowered: scales ovate-oblong, obtuse, stramineous, brownish on the sides, with a hyaline margin: style 3-fid: achene trigonous, 1 mm. long, greenish-gray, obovate-elliptic, prominently angled, cancellate with small circular pittings: style-base depressedpyramidal, gray: bristles white, rudimentary, from a cup-like base.— Fedde, Rep. Spec. Nov. xxiii. 194 (1923).—CUBA: known only from a single collection, sandy pine lands, Westport, Isle of Pines, Ekman no. 12,077 (NY, S).

E. grisea appears to be most closely related to E. alveolata.

17. E. MINUTISSIMA Britton (PL. 462, FIG. 13). Densely cespitose. Culms capillary, punctulate, 1–3 cm. high, and somewhat thickened at base: roots whitish, rather coarse: spikelets ovoid, 1–2 mm. long, loosely 3–7-flowered: scales spreading, ovate, strongly keeled, green to castaneous with hyaline margins: achenes 0.5! mm. long, oblong, obovoid, iridescent, white to gray, obtusely trigonous, cancellate, the depressions tending to be horizontal as in series *Aciculares*; bristles none: style-base gray, low triangular-apiculate,  $\frac{1}{2}$  as wide as the achene.—Mem. Torr. Club xvi. 60 (1920).—CUBA: border of a lagoon near Pinar del Rio, *Britton, Britton & Gager* no. 6965 (NY).

This remarkable little species has a superficial resemblance to the smallest material contained in *C. Wright's* collection no. 3370, but the few-flowered spikelets and the peculiar markings of the achene separate it out immediately. I have seen no other material resembling it. Though some of the horizontal sculpture of the achene-surface simulates the markings of the *acicularis* group, the general aspect of the achenes and the punctate character of the culms leaves no doubt that the species belongs to the *Tenuissimae*.

18. E. TORTILIS (Link) Schultes (Pl. 464, fig. 4) MAP 15. Perennial, forming compact clumps: rootstocks (when present) vertical, branched, subligneous, roots firm, white, thickened: culms light green, twisted, 2-5 dm. tall, sharply triangular: sheaths stramineous, acute at apex: spikelets ellipsoid to ovoid, 4-8 mm. long, few to many-flowered: scales 2-3 mm. long, obtuse, cartilaginous, yellow, prominently marked with dark chestnut on the sides, the margin hyaline: style 3-fid: achene 2 mm. long, bluntly to sharply trigonous, deeply cancellate, olivaceous to gray: 1/3 of its length occupied by the pyramidal-subulate style-base: bristles equalling or exceeding the achene, reddish brown, retrorsely toothed.—Mant. ii. 92 (1824); Kunth, Enum. ii. 144 (1837); Boeckl. Linnaea xxxvi. 441 (1869-70); Robinson & Fernald in Gray Man. ed. 7. 183, f. 252 (1908); Britton & Brown, Ill. Fl. 253,

fig. 589 (1896). Scirpus tortilis Link in Sprengel, Schrader & Link, Jahrb. i.<sup>3</sup> 78 (1820).<sup>1</sup> Eleocharis simplex Torr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. iii. 306 (1836), not Scirpus simplex Ell. Sk. Bot. South Carolina & Georgia i. 76 (1816) nor Eleocharis simplex A. Dietr. Sp. Pl. ii. 78 (1833); Steudel, Syn. Cyp. 75 (1855); Britton & Brown, Ill. Fl. ed. 2, i. 316, f. 773 (1913); Small, Man. 164 (1933). E. camptotricha Mohr, Contrib. U. S. Nat. Herb. vi. 399 (1901).—Swamps and bogs on the coastal plain, Long Island to Texas.—New York: Rockville Center, Bicknell in 1903 (Alb, NY). New JERSEY: Swedesboro, Lippincott (NY); Cold Spring, O. H. Brown (NY) and Mackenzie no. 6997 (NY); South Vineland, Bassett & Long in 1923 (NY); Cape May



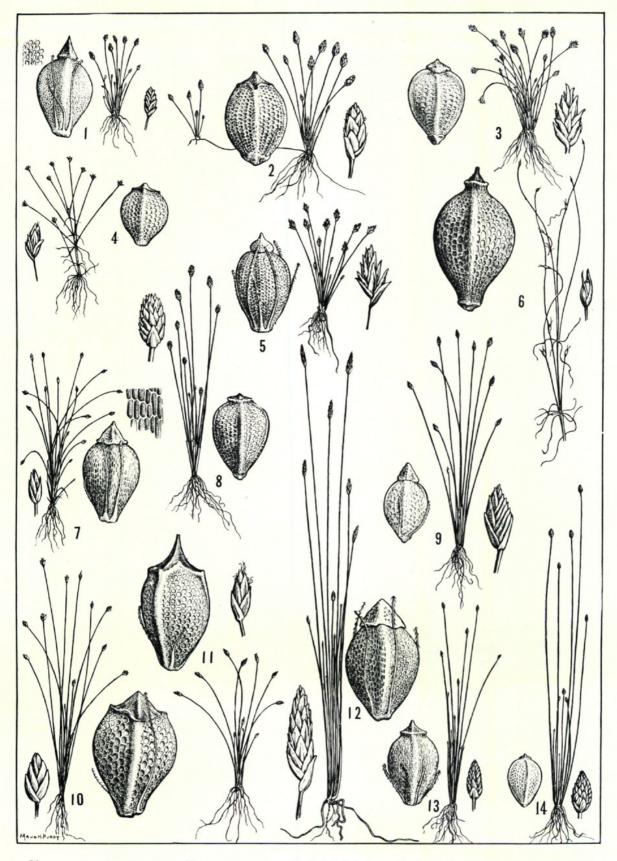
MAP 15. Range of ELEOCHARIS TORTILIS.

County, Killip no. 2370 (G); Dias Creek, Van Pelt in 1909 (G. NY). DELAWARE: Georgetown, Sussex County, Britton in 1908 (NY); Van Pelt in 1908 (G). MARYLAND: Salisbury, Commons in 1863 (G, NY); Salisbury, Canby in 1864 (G), 1866 (NY) and 1867 (NY); Ocean City, Chickering 1878 (NY). VIRGINIA: in Stafford, J. Bright no. 1225 Blackwater River, (D): Fernald & Long no. 3764 (G). NORTH CAROLINA: Southern Pines, Blankinship in 1895(G); M. A. Curtis in 1834 (NY). Aiken. SOUTH CAROLINA:

Ravenel (G, NY); Kershaw, Lancaster Co., House no. 2617 (NY). GEORGIA: wet woods, DeKalb Co., alt. 950 ft., Harper no. 197 (G, NY); Thomson, McDuffie Co., H. H. Bartlett no. 1447 (D). FLORIDA: Aspalaga, Chapman (NY). ALABAMA: borders of ponds, ditches, Mobile, Mohr nos. 8, 10 (NY) (as E. camptotricha). MISSISSIPPI: Ocean Springs, Tracy no. 4818 (G); Biloxi, C. F. Baker in 1897 (NY).

<sup>1</sup> Through the kindness of Miss Ethelyn Tucker, Librarian of the Arnold Arboretum, I have a copy of Link's description in this rarely accessible publication: "Scirpus tortilis von Bosc aus Nord-Amerika, culmo triquetro spiraliter torto: foliis culmi similibus? spica terminali solitaria ovata ebracteata, squamis obtusis, semine triquetro setis cincto, stylo basi dilatato persistente. Ist also eine Eleocharis Br." As in other species published by Link in this journal (cf. Fernald, RHODORA XXXV. 260 (1933)), there has been confusion in citing the author of Scirpus tortilis, based on a specimen in the Willdenow Herbarium collected by Bosc in Carolina. Schultes, perhaps the only source of these names to the editors of Index Kewensis, had copied Link's description, adding incorrectly the citation, "Scirpus tortilis Bosc. apud Link, Jahrb. 3, p. 78"; and Kunth's revised description (1837) rested likewise on "Scirpus tortilis Willd. herb. no. 1174. Link. Jahrb. 3. 78. Scirpus spiralis Bosc. ined." These citations were the source of the ambiguous names "Scirpus tortilis Willd." and "Scirpus spiralis Bosc." listed in Index Kewensis. Link was correctly named as author by Britton (1889).

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ELEOCHARIS, SERIES TENUISSIMAE (habit  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ , spikelets  $\times \frac{21}{2}$ , achenes  $\times 20$ ). FIG. 1, E. MINIMA (*E. oropuchensis*). FIG. 2, E. GLAUCA. FIG. 3, E. SUBCANCELLATA. FIG. 4, E. BRAINII. FIG. 5, E. SUBFOLIATA. FIG. 6, E. NAUMANNIANA. FIG. 7, E. CAESPITOSISSIMA. FIG. 8, ? E. NIGRESCENS. FIG. 9, E. AMAZONICA. FIG. 10, E. CHAE-TARIA. FIG. 11, E. RETROFLEXA. FIG. 12, E. VIVIPARA. FIG. 13, E. SCHWEINFUR-THIANA. FIG. 14, E. NIGRESCENS (*E. Perrieri*).



ELEOCHARIS, SERIES TENUISSIMAE (habit  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ , spikelets  $\times \frac{21}{2}$ , achenes  $\times 20$ ). FIGS. 1–3, E. MINIMA, VAR. BICOLOR: FIG. 1, *E. savannarum*; 2, *E. bicolor*; 3, *E. uncialis*, trigonous achene. FIG. 4, E. BARROSH. FIGS. 5–9, E. NIGRESCENS: FIG. 5, from Cuba; 6, *E. Hildebrandtii*; 7, TYPE SPECIMEN; 8 and 9, VAR. MINUTIFLORA. FIG. 10, E. TRILOPHUS. FIG. 11, E. ANCEFS. FIG. 12, E. NANA. FIG. 13, E. MINUTISSIMA. FIG. 14, E. MICROCARPA (*E. cubensis*).

LOUISIANA: wet springy places in sandy fields, Shreveport, Cocks no. 3617 (NY); Chopin, Natchitoches Parish, E. J. Palmer no. 7994 (as E. tuberculosa) (C); J. Hale (G). TEXAS: Colmesniel, Plank in 1892 (NY); sandy bogs, Oakwood, Leon Co., E. J. Palmer no. 13413 (NY); Liberty Co., C. Wright (G); Hempstead, E. Hall no. 699 (NY, Pom) (as E. tuberculosa); Hall no. 536 (NY).

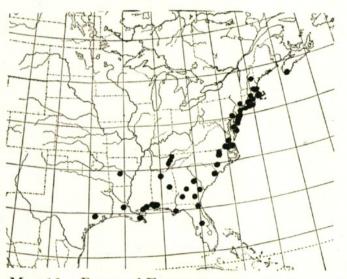
Torrey, basing his description of E. simplex almost entirely upon the Curtis specimen from North Carolina, did so with some doubt. His determination was followed by a query and the notation "Differs a little from Elliott's plant." Had he examined the Elliott specimen in his herbarium more carefully-providing the optical equipment of his day was equal to the task-Torrey would have found that the specimen, although in young condition, was exactly what he was describing as E. tuberculosa var. B. Through the kindness of Mr. E. Milby Burton, director of the Charleston Museum, I have seen fragments of Elliott's actual type of Scirpus simplex [from Georgia], with the accompanying data: "Scirpus simplex mihi. Hab. Ogeechee in udis. Flor." It is E. tuberculosa var.  $\beta$  Torrey, identical with the Elliott specimen in Torrey's herbarium. Mr. Burton also has kindly sent me a fragment of "Scirpus tuberculosus" from the Elliott collection, with the annotation "hab. in udis subsalis Flor. Ma-Aug.," a specimen which proves to be Eleocharis albida, just as it is represented in the Torrey herbarium.<sup>1</sup>

Elliott described S. simplex as having "scales with midrib scarcely distinct"; S. tuberculatus with "midrib green." From these two characteristics it is evident that Elliott's specimens had been interchanged and that Elliott himself was the source of confusion, judging from the note added by Baldwin to a specimen of Scirpus tuberculosus var.  $\beta$ , "This is certainly a variety of the tuberculosus, agreeing in everything except size. Mr. E. returned it to me for his Simplex. There must be some mistake in this business." It may also be noted that "Scirpus simplex Ell." collected by Beyrich at Charleston, S. C., in 1833 (K), the type collection of E. simplex Kunth, is E. albida. In view of the general confusion and the inadequacy of Elliott's de-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Accompanying the specimen [hb. Torrey] is the annotation, in Torrey's hand, "This is not S. tuberc. but my El. floridana." Of E. albida (l. c. p. 304) Torrey notes "This species resembles at first sight E. capitata [represented only by E. flaccida! in Torrey's herbarium], but it differs in its somewhat angular and dull nut, 3-cleft style, and much more coriaceous scales." There is no further mention of E. floridana, based on Dr. Ingalls' collection of E. albida from Barataria, Louisiana [hb. Torrey]: neither has this name nor Scirpus floridanus Michx., cited by Kunth in synonymy of Scirpus pusillus Vahl, ever come to light.

scription, it would be most unsatisfactory to overthrow the well-established name, E. albida Torr. Therefore E. simplex should remain a synonym of typical E. tuberculosa (Michx.) R. & S.

19. E. TUBERCULOSA (Michx.) R. & S. (PL. 464, FIG. 3). MAP 16. Coarse cespitose plants with short vertical rootstocks, or often with only soft fibrous bases: culms *flattened*, glaucous-green, 1.5–8 dm. high: sheaths stramineous to green, closely appressed, acute at the apex: spikelets many-flowered, broadly ovoid to ovoid-lanceolate, 5–15 mm. long: scales cartilaginous, stramineous with narrow green midrib and faint to dark brown coloration on the sides: achene body 1.5 mm. long, stramineous to olivaceous, trigonous, *deeply cancellate: stylebase pallid*, *mitriform*, 1.0–1.5 mm. long, obtuse to acute, often 3-



MAP 16. Range of ELEOCHARIS TUBERCULOSA.

lobed at base, usually equalling (occasionally exceeding)<sup>1</sup> the achene-body in size: bristles nearly equalling the style-base. light brown to ferrugineous.—Syst. ii. 152 Torr. Ann. (1817);Lyc. N. Y. iii. 307 (1836) (as var.  $\beta$ ); Kunth, Enum. ii. 145 (1837); Chapman, Fl. Southern U. S. 515 (1860); Boeckl. Linxxxvi. naea 446 (1869–70); Britton & Brown, Ill. Fl. i. 253,

fig. 590 (1896); Robinson & Fernald in Gray, Man. ed. 7, 183, fig. 253 (1908). Scirpus tuberculosus Michx. Fl. Bor.-Am. i. 30 (1803). ?S. tuberculatus Elliott, Sk. Bot. So. Car. & Georgia i. 78 (1816). Rhynchospora monostachya Steudel, Syn. Cyp. 140 (1855). Chlorocharis tuberculosa Rikli, Pringsheim Jahrb. xxvii. 564 (1895).—Sandy shores and bogs, chiefly on the coastal plain, Nova Scotia and New Hampshire to Arkansas and Texas; extending inland to northern Alabama and the Cumberland Plateau of Tennessee. Nova Scotia: wet sandy beach of Harper Lake, Shelburne County, Fernald & Long no. 23381 (NY) and Plant. Exsicc. Gray. no. 439 (B, NY). NEW HAMPSHIRE: White Lake, Tamworth, Pease no. 19242 (Alb, G). MASSACHUSETTS: Manchester, Oakes (NY); Tewksbury, B. D. Greene (NY); in sphagnum overlying sand, margin of Round Pond, Tewksbury, Fernald & Eames (Pl. Exsicc. Gray. no. 139) (Alb, NY); wet sphagnous clearing near

<sup>1</sup> As in the achene examined from Michaux's type, and also fig. 253 in Robinson & Fernald, Gray, Man. ed. 7. Similar examples occur in Pl. Exsicc. Gray no. 139.

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Chebacco Lake, Essex County, Fernald, Hunnewell & Long no. 8894 (NY): Swain's Pond, Melrose, Svenson in 1916 (B); Snipatuit Pond, Rochester, Plymouth County, St. John & Hunnewell in 1916 (NY); Ezekiel Pond, Plymouth, Svenson in 1928 (B). RHODE ISLAND: South Kingston, Olney no. 307 (NY); Thurber (NY). **CONNECTICUT:** Groton, Bissell in 1901 (NY); Preston, Svenson no. 4551 (B); New Haven, Winton in 1887 (NY). NEW YORK: Mt. Vernon, Bicknell no. 1006 (NY); Woodmere, Bicknell no. 1007 (NY); Ronkonkoma, Ferguson nos. \*486 (NY, US) and \*3101 (NY); Oakdale, Ferguson no. 7772 (NY): Montauk, Ferguson no. 579 (NY) (scales very dark); Central Islip, Ferguson no. \*3055 (NY); Meadow Brook, Ferguson no. 434 (NY); Erastina, Staten Island, Hollick & Britton in 1888 (NY). NEW JERSEY: Egg Harbor, Brinton in 1889 (NY); Manchester [Lakehurst], Porter in 1870; Knieskern (NY); Torrey (NY); Lakewood, Mackenzie no. 5184 (NY); Barnegat River, Mackenzie no. 3697 (NY); Shark River, Mackenzie no. 8016 (NY); Atco, Crawford & Bliss in 1927 (NY); Pleasant Mills, Leggett in 1874 (NY); Bennett, Mackenzie no. 6571 (NY); Dennisville, Mackenzie in 1919 (NY); Cold Spring, Cape May, Pennell no. 1814 (NY). PENNSYLVANIA: on Potsdam sandstone, Willow Grove, Montgomery County, MacElwee no. 835 (NY). DELAWARE: upland meadows, Ellendale, Canby (NY); Georgetown, Sussex County, Britton in 1908 (NY). VIRGINIA: Cape Henry, Leonard & Killip no. \*237 (B); near Virginia Beach, Princess Anne County, Heller no. \*1164 (NY); Princess Anne County, \*Heller in 1893 (NY); west of Williamsburg, Grimes no. \*3191 (NY); wet peaty clearings in woods of Pinus serotina, south of Grassfield, Norfolk County, Fernald & Long no. 3762 (B, G). NORTH CAROLINA: Margarettsville, Northampton County, Heller no. \*1164 (!) (NY); Weldon, \*Williamson in 1900 (NY); wet sandy soil, Clarkton, Biltmore Herb. no. \*2301a (NY). South CAROLINA: very common in damp soil, Santee Canal, \*Ravenel (NY); ditch in wet pine barrens, south of Socastee, Horry County, Griscom no. \*16432 (NY). GEORGIA: pine barren, Thomson, McDuffie County, H. H. Bartlett no. 933 (D); swamp 14 miles south of Hawkinsville, Svenson no. \*6980 (B); near Satilla River, Lulaton, Brantley County, Pyron & McVaugh no. 313 (B); moist pine barrens, Leslie, Sumter County, R. M. Harper no. 640 (B, NY); Americus, Harper in 1897 (B, NY). FLORIDA: Jacksonville, Curtiss nos. \*3096 (B, NY), \*4090 (NY), and \*4865 (NY); edge of cypress swamp, Eustis, Lake County, G. V. Nash no. \*1688 (NY); Middle Florida, \*Chapman (TYPE of var. & Torrey, NY); Appalachicola, Chapman no. \*2301b (NY). TENNESSEE: muddy margin of a pond, Crossville, Cumberland County, Svenson no. \*6935 (B); bog east of Altamont, Grundy County, Svenson no. \*7339 (B); bog, Clark Range, Fentress County J. K. Underwood & A. J. Sharp no. \*2850 (B, T). ALABAMA: Auburn, Lee County, Baker in \*1897 (NY) and \*1898 (NY); Gateswood, Tracy no. \*8663 (NY); Mobile, \*Baker in 1897 (NY); Mobile, Tracy no. 6960 (NY); Spring Hill, Bush no.

\*69 (NY); wet places, Cullman County, \*Eggert in 1897 (NY); northern Alabama, \*Buckley (NY). MISSISSIPPI: Ocean Springs, Tracy no. \*4818 (NY); moist pine barrens near Ocean Springs, Kearney, in 1896 (NY); Scranton, Jackson County, Pollard no. 1192 (NY); Biloxi, Harrison County, Tracy nos. 1367 (NY) & 3593 (NY); Biloxi, \*Baker in 1897 (NY). ARKANSAS: near Little Rock, \*Hasse in 1886 (NY). LOUISIANA: New Orleans, \*Ingalls (NY); shallow ponds, Mackenzie no. 433 (NY); rare in wet pine woods, Alexandria, C. R. Ball no. \*516 (NY); Covington, Arsène no. \*11250 (B, US). TEXAS: Edna, Plank in 1892 (NY).

Through the kindness of Professor Humbert, of the Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, I have examined an achene from the Michaux collection, which exhibits the divergent bristle-teeth associated with var.  $\beta$  Torrey. Typical *E. tuberculosa*, which occurs on Long Island and from Virginia southward, I have therefore marked with an asterisk (\*) in citation of specimens. The plants with downwardly-barbed bristles, in conformity with analogous variations in *Rynchospora* (see RHODORA XXXVII. 401 (1935)), should called

Forma **retrorsa** forma nov. (PL. 464, FIG. 1). Setis retrorsum hispidis.—*E. tuberculosa* Torr. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. iii. 307 (1836); Robinson & Fernald in Gray, Man. ed. 7, 183, fig. 253 (1908). Plant. Exsicc. Gray. no. 139 (coll. *Fernald* & *Eames* in 1909 (TYPE in Gray Herb.)). The plant with smooth bristles should be called:

Forma **pubnicoensis** (Fernald) n. comb. (PL. 464, FIG. 2).—E. tuberculosa var. pubnicoensis Fernald, RHODORA XXIII. 233 (1921).—NOVA SCOTIA: Pubnico Lake, Yarmouth County, Fernald, Long & Linder nos. 20163 (G, NY) and 20164 (G, NY).

E. tuberculosa, unique in the remarkable development of the stylebase, often takes complete possession of dried-out pond-holes on the coastal plain. Northward the bristle-teeth are predominantly downward-barbed. In general the southern plants tend to be robust, often with acute spikelets, but neither these characteristics nor the color of the spikelets appear to be significant.

20. ELEOCHARIS CHAETARIA R. & S. (PL. 461, FIG. 10). Fibrousrooted annual, often proliferous, culms light green, 5–15 cm. high, somewhat rigid, punctate, obscurely quadrangular-sulcate: sheaths reddish, marcescent, scarious and somewhat obtuse at the apex: spikelets ovate, 2–4 mm. long, about 3–10-flowered, scales spreading in fruit: scales obtuse, keeled, with greenish midrib, chestnut sides, and broad scarious margin: style 3-fid: achene trigonous, 1.0–1.3 mm. long, urceolate, costulate on the angles, deeply cancellate, stramineous to dull gray: style-base pyramidal, as broad as the achene, blunt at the apex, dull brown, the 3-crested base decurrent on the angles of the

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achene.—Syst. ii. 154 (1817); Kunth, Enum. ii. 140 (1837); Boeckl. Linnaea xxxvi. 428 (1869-70); C. B. Clarke in Hook. Fl. Br. Ind. vi. 629 (1893). Cyperus setaceus Retz. Obs. v. 10 (1789); Willd. Sp. i. 269 (1798); Vahl, Enum. ii. 305 (1805); Roxb. Fl. Indica, ed. Cary & Wallich, i. 190 (1820); not Eleocharis setacea R. Br. Prod. Fl. Nov. Holl. 225 (1810). Scirpus pygmaeus Lam. Ill. i. 139 (1791). Scirpus Chaetarius Spreng. Syst. i. 203 (1825). Chaetocyperus Limnocharis Nees in Wight, Bot. Ind. 96 (1834). Chaetocyperus setaceus Nees, Linnaea ix. 289 (1834) (nomen) and in Mart. Fl. Bras. ii<sup>1</sup>. 94 (1842).-India and Ceylon to the Philippine Islands. BRITISH INDIA: in graminosis humidiusculis frequens Calcuttae, Koenig (TYPE in hb. Univ. Lund); Silhet, hb. Hooker & Thompson (G, K, NY); Punjab, Dalhousie, Chamba Road, R. R. Stewart no. 2266 (NY); East Bengal, hb. Griffith no. 6210 (NY). CEYLON: Thwaites (G); Kalugammane district, Silva no. 292 (NY); hb. Wight no. 2895 (NY). INDO-CHINA: Annam, Nha-trang, C. B. Robinson no. 1219 (K, NY); Annam, J. & M. S. Clemens nos. 4079 (NY), 4165 (NY); Cambodia, Godefroy-Leboeuf no. 362 (K); Quanbi, Tonkin, Balansa no. 182 (K). MALAY PENIN-SULA: Selangor, Ridley no. 13397 (K); Singapore, Hullett in 1894 (K); Kelautau, Kola Bakru in 1917 (K). PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: Laguna, Prov. Luzon, Curran no. 19276 (NY) and Ramos no. 10049 (NY); Luzon, Elmer no. 14558 (G); Baguio, prov. Benguet, R. S. Williams no. 1231 (NY); Island of Polillo, C. B. Robinson no. 9029 (NY).

The type (Cyperus setaceus) sent to Retzius by Koenig, and consisting of a single small plant, was examined by me through the kindness of Mr. C. E. C. Fischer of Kew, who at that time had the specimen on loan from Lund University.<sup>1</sup> E. Chaetaria was likewise described from India by Lamarck (1791) (coll. Thunberg) as Scirpus pygmaeus. By many authors the corresponding American species, E. retroflexa Poiret, has been included with E. Chaetaria, but the two are clearly distinct, E. Chaetaria having a much lower and blunter style-base, and larger and deeper markings on the achene.

21. E. Brainii n. sp. (PL. 461, FIG. 4). Annua cespitosa nana, radice fibrosa: culmis 1–3 cm. longis, spongiosis, obscure sulcatis: vaginis albidis, scariosis, apice acuminatis: spiculis 1–2 mm. longis, late ovatis, 4–8-floris, glumis in fructu divaricatis, 1 mm. longis, acutis, in carina viridibus, latere rubris, margine scariosis: stylo 3-fido: achaenio 0.6 mm. longo, trigono, truncato, nitidulo-griseo vel albescente, cancellato: stylo-basi fusca, multo depressa, in medio et in angulis quoque paullo apiculata.—E. Chaetaria C. B. Clarke in Dyer, Fl. Trop. Africa viii. 408 (1902), in part.—RHODESIA: very wet vly on granite sand, alt. 4800 ft., Salisbury District, C. K. Brain no. 8963

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In this collection was also the type of *Scirpus atropurpureus*, represented by small characteristic plants, identical with *Eleocharis atropurpurea* as I have treated the species.

(TYPE in Herb. Kew, fragment (G)). NILE LAND: Seriba Ghattas, Djur, Schweinfurth no. 2583 (G). MOZAMBIQUE: regio orientalis, Schlechter no. 12232 (K).

Differs from E. Chaetaria in its low stature, erect but spongy culms, and in the smaller achenes, which have the style-base not decurrent at the angles. It is questionable whether E. Chaetaria actually occurs in tropical Africa.

22. E. SCHWEINFURTHIANA Boeckl. (PL. 461, FIG. 13). Erect from a vertical, slightly ligneous rhizome: culms 4-10 cm. high, light green, punctate, compressed to terete, irregularly sulcate: sheaths yellowish, marcescent: spikelets ovate, 2-3 mm. long, many-flowered: scales 1 mm. long, scarcely keeled, yellowish throughout, obtuse to slightly emarginate: style 3-fid: achene 0.7 mm. long, trigonous, the angles scarcely costulate, stramineous to light brown, faintly brown-striolate: style-base brown, short-pyramidal, apiculate, the basal angles slightly overhanging the achene: bristles light brown, obscurely toothed, half as long as to nearly equalling the achene.-Flora, 1879. 562 (1879). E. microcarpa C. B. Clarke in Durand & Schinz, Consp. Fl. Afr. v. 599 (1895), in Thistleton-Dyer, Fl. Trop. Afr. viii. 410 (1902), and in Philippine Journ. Sci. Bot. ii. 91 (1908); not Torr. Heleocharis Perrieri Chermezon, Bull. Soc. Bot. France lxxiii. 554 (1926) and lxxv. 287 (1928), in part.-Tropical Africa, Madagascar, Philippine Islands. NILE LAND: Seriba Ghattas, Djur [British East Africa], Schweinfurth no. 1949 (G, K, cotype). MADAGASCAR: Majunga, Perrier de la Bâthie no. 17282 (B). PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: Central Luzon, Loher no. 5193 (K).

This comparatively rare Old-World species stands, I believe, between *E. nigrescens* and *E. anceps.*<sup>1</sup> In outward aspect and in minute details of the achene, *Perrier de la Bâthie* no. 17282 and *Loher's* specimen from the Philippines appear identical with the type collection of *E. Schweinfurthiana*.

23. E. CAESPITOSISSIMA Baker (PL. 461, FIG. 7). Dwarf, densely cespitose annual (?), often stoloniferous: culms 1-5 cm. long, filiform, quadrangular-sulcate: sheaths green to purplish: spikelets obovate to oblong, 1-2 mm. long, 3-6-flowered: scales obtuse, deep brown to greenish, the lowermost prominently green-keeled: style 3-fid: achene narrowly obovate, trigonous, 1 mm. long, light greenish-gray, a greenish reticulum with dark brown background frequently appearing on mature achenes: style-base gray, acute-pyramidal, a little more than half as wide as the achene: bristles equalling the achene, white to

<sup>1</sup> Apparently intermediate between *E. Schweinfurthiana* and *E. anceps* is *Heleocharis Helenae* Buscalioni & Muschler in Engler, Bot. Jahrb. xlix. 461 (1913), from Banguela-See in northern Rhodesia, a species with compressed culms 8–12 cm. long and achenes "subtilissime striata," differentiated by the authors from *E. Schweinfurthiana* by "reichblühenderen Aehren und häutig gerandeten Squamae."

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faintly brown-tinged, retrorsely toothed, forming a whitish cup at the base.—Journ. Linn. Soc. Bot. xxi. 450 (1886); Chermezon, Bull. Soc. Bot. France ser. 5, iv. 286 (1928), and Cat. Pl. Madagascar (Cyperaceae) 36 (1931). E. subvivipara C. B. Clarke in Durand & Schinz, Consp. Fl. Africa v. 601 (1895), not Boeckl.—Known only from MADAGASCAR: Baron no. 2242 (TYPE, K); Perrier de la Bâthie nos. 2689 (B) and 17953 (B).

For specimens of this rare species I am greatly indebted to Professor Chermezon.

24. E. ANCEPS Ridley (PL. 462, FIG. 11). Loosely cespitose annual with fibrous roots: culms 4–20 cm. high, *flattened* (0.5–1.5 mm. wide when dry), sulcate, inconspicuously punctate: sheath purplish at base, apex firm, obtuse to somewhat acuminate: spikelets many-flowered, elliptic to elongate, 3–12 mm. long, 2–3 mm. wide: scales ovate, obtuse to emarginate, membranous, keeled, dull yellowish-green, often with brownish sides: style 3-fid: achenes trigonous, obovate, slightly narrowed at the summit, 0.8 mm. long, costulate, white with faint brown striolation: style-base depressed, pyramidal, apiculate in the center, grayish brown, half the width of the achene: bristles none.—Trans. Linn. Soc. ser. 2, Bot. ii. 148 (1884); C. B. Clarke in Durand & Schinz, Consp. Fl. Africa v. 596 (1895) and in Thistleton-Dyer, Fl. Trop. Africa viii. 410 (1902).—Tropical Africa.

The above description in based on a specimen obtained by *Mann* from West Tropical Africa (1859–63) no. 891 (without further locality) in the Gray Herbarium, a plant somewhat larger than Ridley described from the Welwitsch collection made in the vicinity of Pungo Andongo, Angola. *Chevalier* no. 2454 (K) from Kora Koro, Sudan, also belongs under this species.

25. E. TRILOPHUS C. B. Clarke (PL. 462, FIG. 10). Cespitose annual: culms proliferous, 3–6 cm. long, flaccid, recumbent, quadrangular: spikelets 2 mm. long, ovoid, 4–7-flowered: scales dark shining reddishbrown, the two lower scales larger and green-striate: style 3-fid: achene 1 mm. long, narrowly obovoid, white, strongly costulate, with a faint, somewhat pearly, reticulation: style-base depressed-pyramidal, the angles decurrent on the shoulders of the achene: bristles olive-gray, half as long as the achene.—C. B. Clarke in Thistleton-Dyer, Fl. Trop. Africa viii. 409 (1902) and in Durand & Schinz, Consp. Fl. Africa v. 601 (1895) (nomen).—UPPER GUINEA: Senegal, Roger no. 113 (TYPE, K).

Roger's specimen, which I examined at Kew (mixed with *E. atropurpurea*) bears the information: "Juncus. Plante annuale qui croit sur les terres humides, après d'inondation."

26. E. NAUMANNIANA Boeckl. (PL. 461, FIG. 6). Much-branched proliferous aquatic up to 4 dm. long: culms capillary, soft, olivaceous,

flattened to trigonous, neither striate nor sulcate: sheaths membranous, scarious and marcescent: spikelet usually proliferous, 3 mm. long, *linear* in flower, the 2 large scales spreading in fruit: scales 3 mm. long, greenish, scarious except the green median nerve which is produced into a long acuminate tip: achene trigonous, elliptic-obovate, conspicuously narrowed at base and constricted at apex, 1.5 mm. long, *iridescent gray, cancellate*, lightly costate: style-base very narrow, subulate-pyramidal, dark brown: bristles none.—Engler, Jahrb. v. 92 (1884); C. B. Clarke in Durand & Schinz, Consp. Fl. Africa v. 599 (1895) and in Thistleton-Dyer, Fl. Trop. Africa viii. 411 (1902). *E. Testui* Chermezon, Bull. Soc. Bot. France lxxvii. 276 (1930).— AFRICA: Monrovia, Liberia, Aug. 1874 (coll. Dr. Naumann on the "Gazelle" Expedition); French Guinea, Caille no. 14957 (K, fragment in B); Gabon, Le Testu no. 5816 (cited by Chermezon).

Mr. Hutchinson has kindly given me a portion of Caille's collection, from which I have drawn the above description. From detailed comparison with Boeckeler's account, I am confident that Caille's plant is the same as *E. Naumanniana*. The structure of the thread-like culms and the peculiar one-flowered spikelets are decidedly different than in other species of *Eleocharis*, and have a strong resemblance, as C. B. Clarke has noted, to *Scirpus submersus* C. Wright. Boeckeler (1. c.) in the same way compares the form of *E. Naumanniana* with the proliferating masses of the Brazilian *E. capillacea*. With these comparisons in mind and Chermezon's description and similar comment on *Heleocharis Testui*, a plant "très curieuse . . . un épillet terminal unique, . . puisqu' il est uniflore," I do not hesitate to place that species also under *E. Naumanniana*.

## 2. MISCELLANEOUS SMALL SPECIES OF TROPICAL AFRICA

While studying the collections at Kew in 1932, I had opportunity to make notes on several obscure species, as follows:

27. E. KIRKII C. B. Clarke in Thistleton-Dyer, Fl. Trop. Africa viii. 410 (1902), described from a specimen collected by *Kirk*, "in an island in the River Zambezi, at Victoria Falls," appears to me to be only an immature example, with only partially developed achenes, of the widespread *E. caribaea* (Rottb.) Blake.

28. E. LEPTA C. B. Clarke in Thistleton-Dyer, Fl. Capensis vii. 758 (1900), based on a collection by Capt. Wolley-Dod from Cape Peninsula, is represented at Kew by a plant without spikelets, having very slender culms (1.5 dm. high), resembling those of *E. capitata* var. *typica*. Of its relationship I can make out nothing.

29. E. SCHLECHTERI C. B. Clarke in Thistleton-Dyer, Fl. Capensis vii. 758 (1900); De Wildeman, Plantae Novae Herb. Hort. Thenensis i. t. 6, figs. 10-17 (1904). COAST REGION: Onrust River, Schlechter no. 9484. The plant which I examined looks like an aberrant collection of E. caribaea. The turgidly biconvex achene, yellowish-olive when immature, becoming deep brown to black when ripe, has reddish setae with very short teeth and a small whitened-carunculate stylebase. However, the description by Clarke "a very slender short rhizome sometimes present" and De Wildeman's notations accompanying the plate "Tiges . . . réunies en touffes rigides de long d'un rhizome" would tend to remove it from E. caribaea; also De Wildeman's comment on the deviation of his specimens from those described by Clarke serves further to make the situation confusing (p. 28), "La plante que nous avons figurée diffère peut-être un peu du type qui a servi à M. C. B. Clarke pour établir son espèce; en effet, on trouve assez souvent dans les épillets de la plante figurée des akènes trigones présentant sur leur face dorsale une carène assez obtuse, mais néanmoins bien visible."

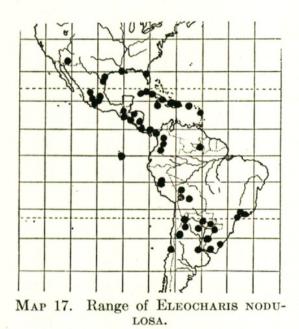
# 3. MISCELLANEOUS SPECIES OF NORTH AMERICA AND THE WEST INDIES

## (For classification see Rhodora xxxi. 128,129 (1929)

30. E. NODULOSA (Roth) Schultes (PL. 463, FIG. 2). MAP 17. Erect from a coarse creeping rootstock: culms green, 1-2 mm. thick, 3-8 dm. high, terete, with numerous, usually conspicuous (sometimes nearly obsolete) transverse septae: sheaths elongate, stramineous (often with a purplish-red base), the truncate darkened apex with a distinct mucro: spikelet many-flowered, oblong-lanceolate, acuminate, rarely obtuse, 8-15 mm. long: scales appressed to slightly spreading, 2 mm. long, obtuse to acute, scarious throughout, light to dark brown, with a broad hyaline margin: the lowest suborbicular, firmer, and broadly scarious-margined: anthers 0.8-1 mm. long: style 2- (not infrequently 3)-fid: achenes 1 mm. long, broadly obovate, biconvex, yellow to brown or olivaceous, distinctly pitted-reticulate: style-base flattened, brown  $(\frac{1}{2}$  as wide as the achene), deltoid, acute, the surface elevated at junction of achene-body: bristles ferrugineous, equalling or slightly exceeding the achene, the common base prolonged into a short stipe. -Mant. ii. 87 (1824); Kunth, Enum. ii. 156 (1837); Boeckl. Linnaea xxxvi. 468 (1869-70); Britton, Journ. N. Y. Microsc. Soc. v. 104 (1889); C. B. Clarke in Urb. Symb. Ant. ii. 67 (1900), in Engler Bot. Jahrb. xxx. Beibl. 68. 21 (1902) and Bull. Herb. Boiss. ser. 2, iii. 1013 [Pl. Hasslerianae 235] (1903); Britton & Wilson, Bot. Porto Rico &

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Virgin Isls. v<sup>1</sup>. 91 (1923); Barros, Anales Mus. Hist. Nat. Buenos Aires xxxiv. 445, fig. 9 (1928); Standley, Publ. Field Mus. Bot. viii<sup>4</sup>. 261 (1931); Ostén, Anales Mus. Hist. Nat. Montevideo, ser. 2, iii. 171 (1932). Scirpus nodulosus Roth, Nov. Pl. Sp. 29 (1821). Eleogenus nodulosus Nees in Mart. Fl. Bras. ii<sup>1</sup>. 104 (1842) and Bonplandia iii. 86 (1855). Eleocharis consanguinea Kunth, Enum. ii. 148 (1837).— Arizona to Florida; West Indies, southward to Peru and Argentina. FLORIDA: Eustis, Lake Co., Nash no. 219 (G, NY), 1209 (G, NY). LOUISIANA: Abbeville, Langlois 878 (NY); New Iberia, Tracy in 1890 (NY); wet prairies, Lake Charles, Cocks no. 3129 (G). TEXAS: Alligator Lake, Jackson County, Drushel no. 9560 (B, hb. Drushel). ARIZONA: Santa Catalina Mts., Pringle in 1881 (G, NY) and 1888



(NY); Santa Catalina Mts., 2900 ft., Thornber 309 (Pom, US), a form with pale spikelets and scarcely septate culms. CUBA: without loc., C. Wright no. 3374 (G, NY); Pinar del Rio, Britton, Britton & Wilson no. 9654 (NY), León & Roca no. 6932 (NY) and Shafer nos. (NY), 1051310477 (NY), 11947(NY);Camaguey, Britton, Britton & Cowell no. 13210 (NY) and Shafer no. 110 (G, NY); Santa Clara, 18865Ekman no. (NY);Oriente, Hioram no. 3923(NY). JAMAICA: Lower Clarendon, Harris no. 12729 (G, NY); Belle Vue, Harris no.

12179 (G, NY). HAITI: Kalacroix, Leonard no. 7852 (G, NY). SAN DOMINGO: Higuey, prov. Seibo, Taylor no. 426 (NY). PORTO RICO: Britton, Britton & Boynton no. 8252 (NY); Sintenis 3833 (G). GUA-DELOUPE: Duss no. 4108 (NY). MEXICO: Jalisco, San Sebastian, 1500 m. Mexia no. 1851 (G, NY, US); Guadalajara, Pringle no. 11725 (G, NY, US); Hidalgo, Mirador, Liebmann (G); Michoacan, Morelia, Arsène nos. 5649 (NY, US), 5246 (US); Morelos, Cuernavaca, 6500 ft., Pringle no. 6599 (G, NY, US). GUATEMALA: Depart. Santa Rosa, Heyde & Lux nos. 3549 (G, US), 3889 (G, NY, US), 6264 (G, US); Coban, 4300 ft., Tuerckheim no. 1266 (G, NY, US); Cubilquitz, Alta Verapaz, Tuerckheim 8335 (US). COSTA RICA: Cartago, Standley no. 35462 (US); S. José, Jimenez no. 929 (US); Forêts du Tablazo, Tonduz no. 7919 (US); Alajuelita, Tonduz no. 8845 (G, US). SALVADOR: Santa Ana, Dept. Santa Ana, Standley no. 19680 (G, NY, US). Hon-DURAS: Dept. Comayagua, Standley nos. 55998 (US) and 56406 (US). NICARAGUA: San Rafael del Norte, Miller & Griscom nos. 118 (US)

and 130 (US). PANAMA: El Boquete, Chiriqui, 1200 m., Killip no. 4568 (NY, US); A. S. Hitchcock no. 8257 (US); between Tapia and Tecumen Rivers, Killip no. 4174 (NY, US); La Sabana de Panama, Gervais no. 164 (US); Las Sabanas, Standley no. 25937 (US); near Tapia River, Maxon & Harvey no. 6648 (US); between Matias Hernandez and Juan Diaz, Standley 32046 (US); Matias Hernandez, Standley no. 28858 (US); Rio Tecumen, Standley nos. 26631 (US) and 26718 (US); Juan Diaz, Killip no. 4091 (US); Chepo, Pittier no. 4744 (US). COLOMBIA: California, Dept. Santander, 2000 m., Killip & Smith no. 17035 (G, NY); Tolima, Lehmann no. 8735 (G, NY); Balsillas, Rusby & Pennell in 1917 (NY); prope Moscosio, 2028 m., André no. 928 (G, NY); Rio Palo Valley, Cauca, Pittier no. 1027 (NY, US); San Antonio, Langlassé no. 35 (G, US). ECUADOR: Indefatigable Is., Galapagos Isls., Svenson no. 241 (B, G). BOLIVIA: without loc., Bang nos. 2306 (G, NY, US) and 2587 (NY, US); Bermejo, 1800 m., Fiebrig no. 2328 (G, US); Sorata, Mandon no. 1402 (NY); Yapacari, O. Kuntze in 1892 (NY); Buena Vista, Dept. Sara, Steinbach no. 5278 (NY); Apolo, R. S. Williams no. 911 (G, NY); Sud-Yungas, Surupaya, Buchtien no. 403 (US); La Paz, 1700 m., Buchtien no. 8065 CHILE: Santiago, Claude-Joseph no. 728 (US); Baireo, (B, US). Claude-Joseph no. 3982 (US). BRAZIL: Limao, Mt. Roraima, Tate no. 60 (NY); Minas Geraes, Claussen no. 1011 (NY); Caldas, Regnell II no. 3031/2 (US); Itatiaya, 1200 m., Kuntze no. 33 (NY); S. Paulo, Usteri in 1905 (NY); without loc. Burchell no. 4340 (G); without loc. Glaziou no. 16539 (US); Viçosa, Minas Geraes, Mexia nos. 4851 (B, Ber) and 5171 (B, Ber); Corinto, Minas Geraes, 590 m., Mexia no. 5657 (B, Ber). PARAGUAY: Villarica, Jörgensen no. 3583 (NY, US); Paracual, Hassler no. 687 (NY); superioris fluminis Apa, Hassler no. 8382 (G); Pilcomayo River, Morong no. 1084 (NY, US); Luque, Morong no. 298b (NY, US); San Bernardino, Rojas no. 7371 (B, Ost). URUGUAY: Artigas, Herter no. 427a (G, NY, US); Toledo, Dept. Canelones, Herter no. 427 (G, NY, US). ARGENTINA: Posadas, Misiones, Ekman nos. 1254 (NY) and 1311 (NY); Oran, Lorentz & Hieronymus no. 432 (NY); Retiro, Buenos Aires, Parodi no. 8096 (G); Dept. Andalgala, Prov. Catamarca, Jörgensen no. 1766 (G); Dept. Leales, Prov. Tucuman, alt. 300 m., Venturi no. 460 (B, US); Dept. Burruyaco, Tucuman, 1500 m., Venturi no. 8837 (B, US); Dept. Chicligasta, Tucuman, 1200 m., Venturi no. 4011 (B, US); Oran, Prov. Salta, 650 m., Venturi no. 5586 (B, US).

Var. TENUIS Boeckl. Flora lxii. 160 (1879); Barros, Anales Mus. Hist. Nat. Buenos Aires xxxiv. 447 (1928).

This variety, differing from typical *E. nodulosa* only in having reduced culms not exceeding 1 mm. in diameter (according to Barros), occurs sporadically throughout the range of the species (cf. *Ekman* no. 18865 (Cuba); *Harris* no. 12729 (Jamaica); *Duss* no. 4108 (Guadeloupe); *Ekman* no. 1311 (Argentina)). On the other hand, it is prob-

able that the slender form more closely approaches Roth's type (Brazil, coll. *Mertens*), described as having filiform culms. Some of the slender plants show practically no external sign of septation, and represent

Var. SUBNODULOSA (Steud.) Kükenthal in Fedde, Rep. Spec. Nov. xxiii. 192 (1926). E. subnodulosa Steud. Syn. Cyp. 81 (1855). E. Ravenelii Britton in Small, Fl. Southeastern U. S. ed. 2, 184 (1913).

From the United States this variation is so far represented only by *Ravenel* no. 83 (NY) from Neuces Bay near Corpus Christi, Texas (TYPE of *E. Ravenelii*) and by a collection from the Valley of the lower Rio Grande, *Buckley* in 1879–1883 (NY), but is evidently (like the var. *tenuis*) of sporadic occurrence throughout the range of the species. In Steudel's description, based upon a *Duchassaing* collection from Guatemala, the culms are said to be "subcomplanatis tenuissimis indistincte (tactu potius quam visu) subapproximato nodulosis (ultra pedalibus)." Kükenthal cites (l. c.) *Ekman* no. 2683 from Haiti as representing this variety.

According to Barros (l. c.) var. tenuis is a transition between typical E. nodulosa and E. contracta Maury,<sup>1</sup> the latter characterized by filiform, non-septate culms and trigonous achenes. The only named specimen of E. contracta which I have examined (Misiones, Argentina, Ekman no. 1252 (NY) (det. Kükenthal)) has spikelets with closely appressed scales, filiform culms, and lenticular short-bristled achenes (1.0 mm. long) but under E. contracta undoubtedly belongs a similar plant with trigonous achenes (Dept. Leales, Prov. Tucuman, Venturi no. 473 (B, US)). Differing markedly from these intergrading variations is a peculiar group of plants from Colombia which may be called

Var. **angulata** n. var. Culmis non septatis, 1.5–2 mm. latis (siccatis) squamis paullo divaricatis; achaeniis trigonis, 1.2 mm. longis, viridibus vel olivaceis, stylo-basi truncato in medio apiculato, setis achaenio aequantibus.—Colombia: Guasca, Bro. Ariste-Joseph no. A340 (TYPE in Gray Herb.; NY, US); PERU: from 9000–10,500 ft., Huanuco, Macbride & Featherstone nos. 1453 (US), 2140 (US) and 3318 (US) with yellowish achenes and a pyramidal style-base.

E. nodulosa and E. geniculata are ordinarily among the most easily recognized species of the American tropics, due to the septate culms, but in both species plants with non-septate culms are encountered. Due to the resemblance of non-septate plants to specimens of E.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mém. Soc. Phys. Genève xxxi. 139, pl. 41 C. (1890); C. B. Clarke, Bull. Herb. Boiss. ser. 2, iii. 1016 (1903) (where *E. nodulosa* var. *tenuis* is considered a synonym of *E. contracta*); Barros (op. cit.) 457, fig. 14 (1928).

montana, E. Parishii, etc., I was of the opinion (which I do not now hold so strongly) that E. nodulosa and E. geniculata belonged with the Truncatae, and I leave them under that classification for want of a better group with which to ally them. The septate character of the culms of Scirpus heteromorphus F. Phil.,<sup>1</sup> based on Lechler no. 454 from Valdivia, Chile, led to its inclusion by C. B. Clarke under E. nodulosa, but the septations are of the characteristically interrupted type prevalent among the Palustres and the material belongs (at least the specimen which I examined at Kew) under E. valdiviana Philippi.

31. ELEOCHARIS GENICULATA (L.) R. & S. (PL. 463, FIG. 1). MAP 18. Coarse aquatic plants, erect from a ligneous creeping rootstock; culms terete, firm, green, 1–15 dm. high, 3-10 mm. wide, with close, usually prominent septae: sheaths reddish, truncate at the summit, usually with an inconspicuous subulate mucro: spikelets many-flowered, lanceolate to cylindric, usually acute: scales 2 mm. long, not keeled, obtuse, thin, with an opaque brown central area and broad scarious light brown margin: style 2- or 3-fid: achene 1.5 mm. long, obovate,

biconvex to slightly trigonous, yellow to brown, shining, lightly punctate-reticulate: style-base dark brown, flattened, lanceolate, half as long as the achenebody: bristles deep brown, nearly equalling the tubercle, their common base forming a short stipe.—Syst. ii. 150 (1817); Kunth, Enum. ii. 152 (1837); Boeckl. Linnaea xxxvi. 469 (1869–70); C. B. Clarke, Bull. Herb. Boiss. ser. 2, iii. 1016 [Pl. Hasslerianae 238] (1903); C. B. Clarke, Contrib. U. S. Nat. Herb. x. 457 (1908) and Ill. Cyp. t. xxxix. f. 22–26 (1909); Britton & Wilson, Surv. Porto Rico & Virgin Isl. v<sup>1</sup>. 92 (1923); Standley, Field Mus.



MAP 18. Range of ELEOCHARIS GENICULATA.

Publ. Bot. viii<sup>4</sup>. 262 (1931); Uittien in Pulle, Fl. Surinam i. 113 (1934);
Macbride, Publ. Field Mus. Bot. xiii. 281 (1936). Scirpus geniculatus
L. Sp. Pl. 48 (1753). Scirpus elegans HBK. Nov. Gen. et Sp. i. 226 (1816). E. elegans R. & S. Syst. ii. 150 (1817). Eleocharis constricta
Schultes, Mant. ii. 87 (1824); Kunth, Enum. ii. 153 (1837); Steudel, Syn. Cyp. 82 (1855). Scirpus depressus Vellozo, Fl. Fluminensis 35,
t. xxxviii (1827), acc. to Index Kewensis. Limnochloa crassiculmis and L. constricta Nees in Mart. Fl. Bras. ii<sup>2</sup>. 99 (1842). ?Eleocharis crassiculmis

<sup>1</sup> Cat. Pl. Chil. 311 (1881). Isolepis heteromorpha Steud. Syn. Cyp. 100 (1855).

mexicana Peyr. in Linnaea xxx. 14 (1859-60) acc. to Index Kewensis. Chlorocharis geniculata Rikli, Pringsheim Jahrb. xxvii. 564 (1895)-MEXICO: Rio Xalcomulco, *Liebmann* (G); Michoacan & Guerrero, Sierra Madre, Langlassé no. 842 (G); Colima, E. Palmer no. 1260 in 1891 (G, NY); Tehuantepec, Vera Cruz, C. L. Smith no. 1060 (G, NY); Tanteyuca, Ehrenberg no. 208 (G); without further locality, F. Mueller no. 1762 (NY). CUBA: La Perla, Oriente, Shafer no. 8572 (NY); Cuba orientali, C. Wright no. 709 (as Scirpus constrictus Griseb.) (NY); Loma del Gato, Cobre Range of Sierra Maestra, León, Clement & Roca no. 10220 (NY); Matanzas, Britton, Britton & Shafer no. 293 (NY); San Luis, Prov. Santiago, Pollard & Palmer no. 296 (NY); Taza, Prov. Santa Clara, León no. 1450 (NY); Santo Domingo, Prov. Santa Clara, Britton, Earle & Cowell no. 10311 (NY). JAMAICA: Hardware Gap, G. E. Nichols no. 87 (NY), and Harris no. 10900 (4075 ft.) (NY); Port Antonio, A. E. Wight no. 51 (NY); Balaclava, Marble no. 913 (NY); Inverness, Lower Clarendon, Harris no. 12718 (NY); near Castleton Bot. Garden, L. M. Underwood no. 131 (NY); Ewarton, Underwood no. 1867 (NY), and Harris no. 6723 (NY); Cinchona, Underwood no. 159 (NY); Liguanea Ridge, Hope Estate, Harris no. 11701 (C, NY); Belle Vue, near Spanish Town, Harris no. 12181 (NY). HAITI: Bayeux, Port Margot, Nash no. 326 (NY); La Barrière Couchant, Nash & Taylor no. 1074 (NY); Port au Prince, Leonard no. 2806 (NY); Furcy, alt. 1300 m., Leonard no. 4348 (NY); Gonave Island, Leonard no. 3266 (NY); St. Michel de l'Atalaye, Dept. du Nord, Leonard no. 7038 (NY). SAN DOMINGO: Bonao, Prov. La Vega, Valeur no. 430 (NY); Sanchez, Prov. Samana, N. Taylor nos. 24 (NY) and 88 (NY); without location, C. Wright, Parry & Brummel no. 596 PORTO RICO: Rio Piedras, Heller no. 170 (NY); Mayaguez, (NY).Britton no. 2361 (NY); Sierra de Naguabo, Shafer nos. 3164 (NY), and 3438 (NY); Indiera Fria, near Maricao, Britton, Cowell & Brown no. 4534 (NY); Utuado, Britton & Cowell no. 416 (NY); Caguas, Underwood & Griggs no. 304 (NY); Cayey, Underwood & Griggs no. 280 (NY); Rio Piedra, J. R. Johnston no. 110 (NY); Luquillo Mts., Britton & Bruner no. 7555 (NY); Anasco, Heller no. 4534 (NY); Guanajibo, Fredholm no. 4252 (B). GUADELOUPE: Duss no. 3123 (NY). GUATEMALA: Tonduz no. 845 (NY); Quebrados, Dept. Izabal, Pittier no. 8620 (G); Quirigua, Dept. Izabal, Standley no. 24162 (NY); Gualan, C. C. Deam no. 436 (G); El Rancho, Dept. Jalapa, Kellerman no. 8008 (NY); Coban, Dept. Alta Vera Paz, Seler no. 2403 (NY), and Tuerckheim no. 544 (G). HONDURAS: San Pedro Sula, Dept. Santa Barbara, C. Thieme no. 5571 (G); vic. Tela, Prov. Atlantida, E. R. Mitchell no. 102 (G). EL SALVADOR: vic. San Salvador, Standley no. 22421 (G); Ixtepeque, Dept. San Vincente, Standley no. 21445 (G); Zacatecoluca, Calderón no. 300 (G). COSTA RICA: Peralta, Rowlee no. 50 (NY); San Francisco de Guadalupe, Tonduz no. 8492 (G). PANAMA: Isthmus of Panama, J. M. Bigelow (NY); Panama-Corozal Road, Killip no. 4117 (NY). VENEZUELA: Yaritagua y Duaca, Lara, 1937]

Saer no. 322 (NY); Caracas, Pittier nos. 9439 (NY) and 9529 (NY), O. Kuntze in 1874 (NY), and A. H. Moore no. 20 (Cal.); Valera, Pittier no. 10792 (NY); Agua Fria, near Caracas, Pittier no. 11504 (NY); Guárico, Pittier no. 12471 (NY) and Plantae Grisolanae no. 19 (NY); Tovar, Pittier no. 12769 (NY); lower Orinoco, Rusby & Squires no. 337 (NY). COLOMBIA: Intendencia Meta, Villavicencio, Pennell no. 1507 (NÝ); Dept. Antioquia, Medellin, Archer no. 75 (B, US); Dept. Cundinamarca, Fusagasuga, Pennell no. 2696 (NY); Dept. Tolima, Honda, Pennell no. 3682 (NY); Dept. Santander, Boca Sogamoso, Pennell no. 3846 (NY); alt. 3500 ft., Mt. Chapon, Dept. Boyaca, Lawrance no. 119 (NY); Dept. Norte de Santander, Cucuta, Killip & Smith no. 20976 (NY); Dept. El Valle, La Cumbre, Pennell & Killip no. 5741 (NY); Dept. El Valle, east of Zarzal, Pennell, Killip & Hazen no. 8582 (NY); Dept. Caldas, Armenia, Pennell, Killip & Hazen no. 6641 (NY); Bonda, Santa Marta, H. H. Smith no. 2338 (NY); La Paila, Neogranadina-Caucana, Holton no. 113 (NY); Falls of the Truando, Prov. Choco, Schott (NY); Mutis, nos. 4238 (US); 2874 (US). ECUADOR: Prov. Guayas, between Guayaquil and Salinas, A. S. Hitchcock no. 20090 (NY); Naranjal, Luis Mille no. 136 (NY). PERU: Dept. Loreto, Iquitos, Klug no. 1286 (NY). BOLIVIA: Lake Rogagua, Rusby no. 1602 (NY); Beni River, Rusby no. 178 (NY); Velasco, O. Kuntze in 1892 (NY); Rio Sapucahy, Paraisopolis, Minas, Hoehne no. 19147 (G). BRITISH GUIANA: Bartica, Upper Mazaruni River, Leng in 1922 (NY); coast lands, Jenman no. 6110 (NY); Junction Mazaruni and Cuyuni Rivers, Graham no. 265 (NY). FRENCH GUIANA: Cayenne, Broadway no. 910 (NY). BRAZIL: Prov. Goyaz, Glaziou no. 22332 (NY); Paraná, Curityba, Dusén no. 6917 (NY); Jararaca, Pará, Da Costa no. 158 (NY); without locality, Burchell no. 9373 (NY). PARAGUAY: Pilcomayo River, Morong nos. 862 (NY) and 1036 (NY); San Bernardino, Rio Salado, Rojas no. 8640 (G); without loc., Hassler no. 1694 (NY). ARGENTINA: Terr. Chaco, Dept. Resistencia, 150 m. alt., Venturi no. 7896 (US).

A plant with the appearance of an Equisctum and, as described by Morong (Ann. N. Y. Acad. Sci. vii. 254 (1893), "an elegant species,  $1-1\frac{1}{2}$  m. high, with many stout stems from the same root, the sheaths at the base red, and the pure white feathery-looking heads 2-4 cm. long," it is apparently the only tropical *Eleocharis* which catches the eye of the general collector. As a consequence and due also to its wide range, the representation in herbaria is voluminous. It was known from the West Indies in very early times, having been described by Linnaeus (1753) as "Scirpus culmo tereti nudo, spica subglobosa terminali."<sup>1</sup> Limnochloa constricta was based on Brazilian

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mr. J. E. Dandy of the British Museum has recently written me that apparently the only specimen of *Scirpus geniculatus* which Linnaeus saw was *Scirpus culmo nudo*, *spica terminatrice subrotunda* of Hortus Cliffortianus. from which Linnaeus drew the

material in which the culms were constricted below the spikelets and L. crassiculmis, also from Brazil, represented a coarse form with the septae scarcely evident. E. singularis was described by Steudel from Hostman no. 284a from Surinam, wholly because of the indefinite character of the Linnaean description.

Var. DENSA (Bentham) Boeckl. (PL. 463, FIG. 3). Culms without externally apparent septae.—Linnaea xxxvi. 470 (1869–70).—Eleocharis densa Bentham, Pl. Hartweg. 27 (1839); Steudel, Syn. Cyp. 82 (1855); Hemsley, Biol. Cent.-Am. Bot. iii. 455 (1885).—MEXICO: Aguas Calientes, Hartweg no. 242 (G, NY); marshes of the Rio Grande de Santiago near Atequiza, Jalisco, Pringle no. 3124 (G, NY); Durango, E. Palmer no. 543 in 1896 (G, NY, US); Laguna San Baltazar, Puebla, Arsène no. 218 (G); vic. Morelia, Michoacan, Arsène no. 9806 (G).

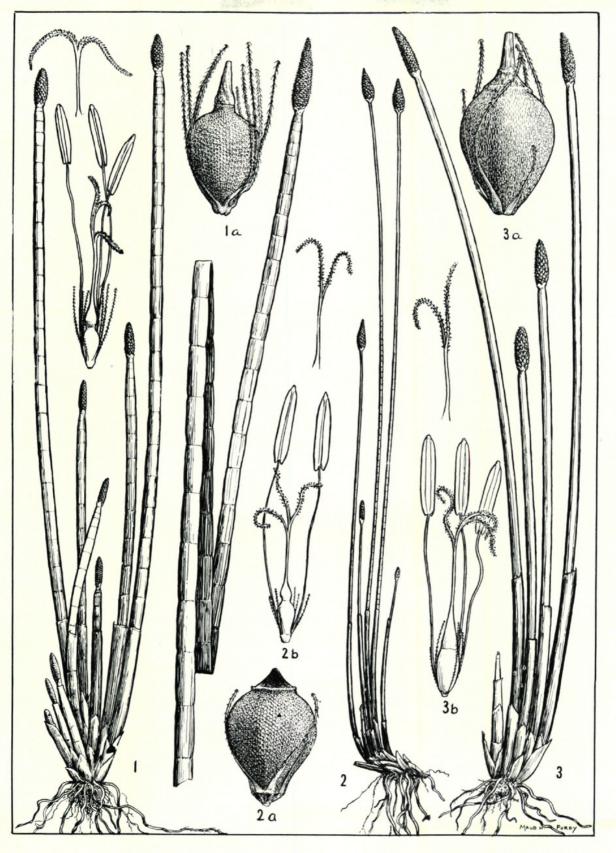
With lack of apparent septae (although the partitions are prominent internally) and achenes appearing to be less deeply reticulate than in *E. geniculata*, this plant of localized distribution in Mexico, may perhaps represent a distinct species.

*E. Parodii* Barros Anales Mus. Hist. Nat. Buenos Aires xxxiv. 480, fig. 28 (1928), a well-marked species of Argentina and Uruguay, is close to *E. geniculata* and, perhaps, as Barros points out, represents *E. crassiculmis*. It also has culms practically non-septate.

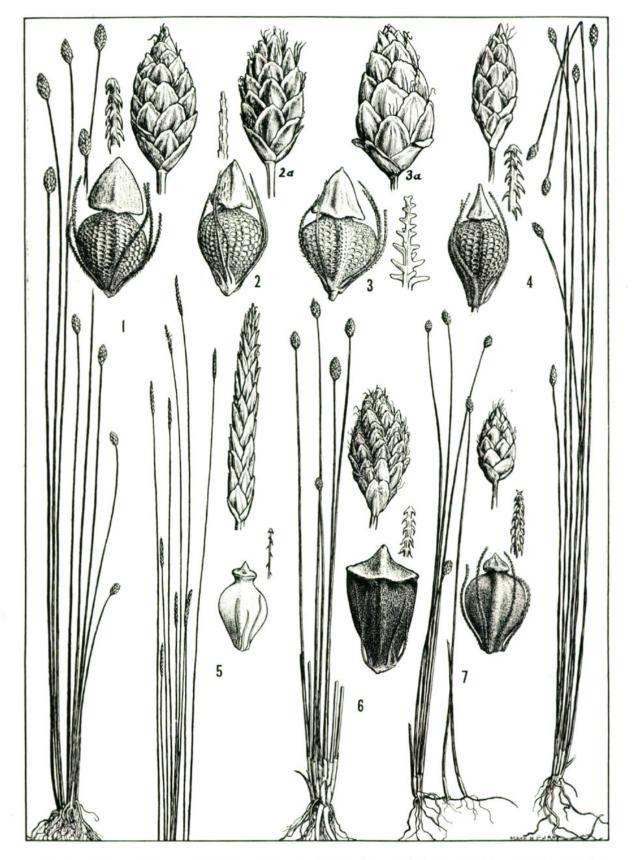
32. E. RECLINATA Kunth (PL. 465, FIG. 3). MAP 19. Annual (?), diffusely spreading from fibrous roots or from a thin descending rhizome: culms numerous, of unequal length, 0.2-4 dm. long, usually reclining, grayish-green, irregularly sulcate: sheath-apex soft and spreading, a short, hardened apiculate projection frequently present: spikelets cylindric-ovoid, acute, 2-7 mm. long, loosely 5-20-flowered: scales obtuse, with broad green keel and brownish sides, the lowest scale rounded and completely encircling the culm: stamens 2, anthers 0.4 mm. long: style 3-fid: achene obovoid to pyriform, 1.5 mm. long (including the style-base), obtusely trigonous, light glistening olive, with minute punctulate reticulation: the brownish style-base conicsubulate: bristles pale brown, equalling or slightly exceeding the stylebase.-Enum. ii. 143 (1837); Steudel, Syn. Cyp. 75 (1855); House, N. Y. State Mus. Bull. 243-244. 43 (1921). Scirpus intermedius Muhl. Gram. 31 (1817), not Thuill. (1799) nor Poir. (1804). Eleocharis intermedia Schultes, Mant. ii. 91 (1824); Torrey, Ann. Lyc. N. Y. iii. 302 (1836); Steudel, Syn. Cyp. 75 (1855); Boeckl. Linnaea

description. This specimen (now at the British Museum) is *Scirpus caribaeus* Rottb., a name which must therefore be superseded by *S. geniculatus*. However, since Linnaeus' specific name "geniculatus" was derived from the Sloan reference (Sp. Pl. i. 48), based on figures representing both *E. geniculata* and *E. caribaea*, there is something to be said on both sides.

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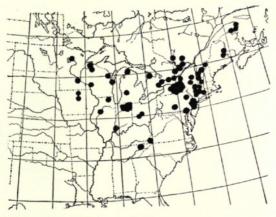


ELEOCHARIS, SERIES TENUISSIMAE (habit  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ , achenes  $\times 20$ ). Fig. 1, E. GENICULATA. Fig. 2, E. NODULOSA. Fig. 3, E. GENICULATA, Var. DENSA.



ELEOCHARIS, SERIES TENUISSIMAE (habit  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ , spikelets  $\times \frac{21}{2}$ , achenes  $\times 20$ , except figs. 1–3 ( $\times 10$ )). Figs. 1–3, E. tuberculosa. Fig. 4, E. tortilis. Fig. 5, E. Cylindrica. Fig. 6, E. Melanocarpa. Fig. 7, E. albida.

xxvi. 436 (1869–70); Britton, Journ. N. Y. Microsc. Soc. v. 110 (1889); Britton & Brown, Ill. Fl. i. 255, fig. 597 (1896); Robinson & Fernald in Gray, Man. ed. 7, 184, fig. 261 (1908).—Shores of ponds and rivers, chiefly in calcareous areas, from eastern Quebec south to Tennessee, west to Minnesota. The following specimens are cited to show the range of the species; many of the numerous collections from central New York and elsewhere have been omitted. QUEBEC: Wakefield, *Marie-Victorin* no. 10280 (G); N. Wakefield, *Macoun* no. 7553 (Can); Little Cascapedia River, *Fernald, Collins & Pease* in 1904 (G, NY). MAINE: Nadeau Lake, Fort Fairfield, *Robinson & Fernald*, Pl. Exsic. Gray. no. 9 (Alb, Cal, G, NY); Patten, *Fernald* in 1897 (G). NEW HAMPSHIRE: Colebrook, *Fernald & Pease* no.



MAP 19. Range of ELEOCHARIS RECLI-NATA.

16948 (G). VERMONT: Willoughby, *Kennedy* in 1896 (G); Lake Dunmore, Brainerd in 1896 (G, NY); Woodbury, Brainerd in 1899 (G); Brand-1914 Dutton in (G); on, Winooski River, Montpelier, Brainerd in 1899 (G); sandy border of Conn. River, Westminster, Brainerd in 1899 (G); Ewell's Pond, Peacham, Blanchard in 1884 (Alb). MASSACHUSETTS: Lanesboro, muddy inlet to Pontoosuc Lake, Churchill in 1918 (G). Connecticut: sandbars of

Conn. River, Hartford, C. Wright in 1882 (G); bank of lake, Salisbury, Bissell in 1901 (NY); Twin Lakes, Salisbury, Bissell in 1901 (G, NY). NEW YORK: Dryden, Eames & Wiegand no. 9343 (G); Spencer, Eames & Wiegand no. 11434 (Alb, G); Saratoga Lake, House no. 21892 (NY); Pine Plains, Dutchess County, Hoysradt in 1878 (NY); Clove, Dutchess County, Standley & Bollman no. 12323 (US); Cedar Lake, Litchfield, Haberer no. 1552 (Alb, G); Oneida Lake, House in 1903 (NY) and Haberer no. 1554 (Alb, G); Cedarville, Herkimer County, Paine (G); Fabius, Onondaga County, Hotchkiss no. 3536 (Alb); Sodus Bay, House no. 19667 (Alb); Mendon Ponds, Monroe County, House no. 19653 (Alb); Woodville, Jefferson County, House nos. 9914 and 19699 (Alb); Fenner, Madison County, House no. 17056 (Alb); Knickerbocker Lake, Columbia County, C. A. Brown no. 516 (Alb); Glenmont, Albany County, House (Alb); Green Island, Albany, E. C. Howe in 1886 (NY); Penn Yan, Wright (B); Penn Yan, Sartwell (G); Cayuga Lake, Dudley in 1884 (NY); Oriskany, Vasey (NY). NEW JERSEY: Sussex County, Lake Grinnell, Britton in 1887 (NY); South Plainfield, Miller no. 4 (NY); Sparta, Mackenzie no. 6800 (NY),

and Porter in 1887 (B); Warbasse, Mackenzie no. 6783 (NY); Black River, Morris County, Mackenzie no. 4370 (NY); Marksboro, Warren County, Mackenzie no. 6814 (NY). PENNSYLVANIA: Bethlehem, Rau in 1871 (NY, Ph); Dillerville Swamp, Lancaster, Small in 1889 and 1892 (NY); Pa. Furnace, Huntingdon County, Boecking in 1870 (NY). ONTARIO: North Wakefield, Macoun no. 7553 (NY, Can); Opsongo Lake, Algonquin Park, Macoun, no. 81021 (Can); Point Edward, near Sarnia, Macoun no. 81020 (Can); Cartwright, Scott no. 16364 (Can); Bay of Quinte, Macoun 32181 (Can); Toronto, Scott no. 25215 (Can); Snelgrove, White no. 59068 (Can); Belleville, Macoun no. 32682 (Can); Casselman, Macoun no. 86434 (Can); Stittsville, Macoun no. 86433 (Can); Moose Creek, near Ottawa, Macoun in 1891 (NY); Owen Sound, Macoun no. 34567 (G, NY); Galt, Herriot nos. 68518, 36 (G). MICHIGAN: Grayling, Hicks in 1888 (G); Munith, Hicks in 1893 (G). WISCONSIN: Cedar Lake, Kiel, Fassett & Hoffmann no. 16877 (B); White Potato Lake, Oconto County, Hotchkiss & Koehler no. 4329 (B); west side of Lake Chetoc, Sawyer County, Hotchkiss & Koehler no. 4367 (B); Lacrosse, T. J. Hale in 1861 (G); Pike River Falls, Hasse in 1884 (NY). ILLINOIS: Ringwood, Vasey (Ill, G); Peoria, F. Brendel (Ill, NY). OHIO: Columbus, Riddell (NY); Franklin County, Werner in 1890 (NY); Springfield, Lea (NY). INDIANA: Noble County: Acinda, Deam no. 47665 (D), and Tippecanoe Lake, Deam no. 21761 (D); low marl border of Deep Lake 1 mi. s. of Wolf Lake, Noble County, Deam no. 14665 (D, G); near Decker, Knox County, Deam no. 32955 (D, G); Lake of the Woods, Marshall County, Deam no. 21009 (D); near Knox, Starke County, Deam no. 42183 (D); Goose Lake, Whitley County, Deam no. 21763 (D); Fish Lake, Fermont, Steuben County, Deam no. 55417 (B); near Edgewater, Emmet County, C. F. Fallass in 1924 (D). MINNESOTA: Bohall Lake, Clearwater County, N. L. Grant no. 3251 (NY); Fort Ripley, Crow Wing County, Rosendahl & Butters no. 3602 (as E. acicularis) (G); T. J. Hale (G).

Stations shown in Iowa on the distributional map represent Charles City and Story City, from data by R. C. Cratty, Bull. Nat. Hist. State Univ. Iowa iv. 327 (1898). No substantiation of the occurrence of this species in Georgia (coll. Baldwin, cf. Torrey, l. c. p. 302) can be made, but I believe that there is a misdetermination.

*Eleocharis reclinata*, described by Kunth from western Virginia, "ad ripas fluvii Holston" on the basis of material collected by Beyrich<sup>1</sup> is the plant earlier described by Muhlenberg as *Scirpus intermedius*, a name unfortunately previously applied to at least two European species. Muhlenberg described his plant (which I have seen at Philadelphia, also at New York) as having a bifid pistil, an error perpetuated

<sup>1</sup> Charles Beyrich, a member of Allen's expedition to the source of the Mississippi, died at Fort Gibson in 1834.

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by Kunth and Boeckeler; on the other hand I have found the number of stamens to be constantly only two. Although the apices of the sheaths tend to be soft, many will be found showing an apical projection, and this fact, together with the punctulate surface of the achene, resembling that of *E. arcnicola*, places *E. reclinata* within the *Palustriformes*, subser. *Truncatae*. Plants in which the bristles are absent or rudimentary, and which differ in no other respect from typical material, are known from Oneida Lake, New York, and, in conformity with treatment of similar variations in other species of *Eleocharis*, should be called

Forma **Habereri** (Fernald) n. comb.—*E. intermedia* var. *Habereri* Fernald, RHODORA viii. 130 (1906); *E. reclinata* var. *Habereri* (Fernald) House, N. Y. State Mus. Bull. 243–244. 43 (1923).

33. E. MACOUNII Fernald. Resembling E. reclinata, but coarser: culms up to 2.5 dm. long; spikelets 3–10 mm. long, many-flowered, the scales appressed, brownish, with a greenish midrib; stamens 3, anthers 0.4 mm. long; style 3-fid; achene sharply trigonous to biconvex, yellow-olive, minutely reticulate, 1.4 mm. long, including the brownish deltoid-conical style-base; bristles light brown, exceeding the stylebase.—Proc. Am. Acad. xxxiv. 497, fig. 26a (1899); Robinson & Fernald in Gray, Man. ed. 7, 185, fig. 262 (1908). QUEBEC: borders of marshes, North Wakefield, Sept. 13, 1893, Macoun no. 7552 (Can, G, NY).

This peculiar plant, known only from the original collection, in many respects suggests an aberrant E. intermedia and the lack of fertility (very few ripe achenes are produced) would tend to support . this conclusion. Thus in Britton & Brown, Ill. Fl. ed. 2, 318 (1913) it is treated as a synonym of E. intermedia [E. reclinata]. The achenes vary from sharply trigonous to practically biconvex, but have a much fainter reticulation than is present in E. reclinata, and the style-base (the most characteristic feature) is short-deltoid, as compared with the long subulate style-base of E. reclinata. The plant much resembles a European species, E. multicaulis, but lacks the tendency to proliferation nearly always seen in that species, which, furthermore, has anthers as large as those in E. palustris. The small anthers of E. Macounii are identical with those of E. reclinata. For the present I believe it is advisable to treat E. Macounii as a distinct species.

34. E. CYLINDRICA Buckley (PL. 464, FIG. 5). Culms erect from a *slender ligneous rhizome, filiform,* 2–3 dm. long, sulcate and angled: sheaths stramineous to light brown, truncate at the apex and conspicuously subulate-toothed: spikelets *linear-cylindric*, many-flowered, acute, 8–17 mm. long, not exceeding 2 mm. in width: scales lanceolate,

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acute, chestnut brown, not strongly keeled, the scarious margins inrolled at maturity; stamens 3, anthers 0.7 mm. long: style 3-fid: achene 0.8 mm. long, dark brown, obovate, smooth to faintly reticulate, trigonous with sharply costate angles, conspicuously narrowed at the apex: style-base light brown, pyramidal, a little wider than the constricted apex of the achene: bristles slender, brown, much shorter than the achene.—Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila. 1862. 10 (1863); Britton, Journ. N. Y. Microsc. Soc. v. 109 (1889). Heliocharis texana Britton, Bull. Torr. Bot. Club xi. 87 (1884).—TEXAS: northern Texas, Buckley (TYPE Ph, NY); Valley of the Lower Rio Grande, Buckley in 1879–1883 (TYPE of E. texana (NY)). New MEXICO: C. Wright no. 1935 (NY).

This poorly-known species is closely related to E. Parishii, which it resembles in habit and in the peculiarly constricted achenes, and also to some Argentine species, notably E. Spegazzinii Barros.<sup>1</sup> The winged angles of the achenes, and their small size bring E. cylindrica close also to E. tricostata.

35. E. FILICULMIS Kunth (PL. 465, FIGS. 1, 2). MAP 20. Erect from an ascending caudex: culms 1.5-4 dm. high, flattened and sulcate, lightly punctate, rarely as much as 1 mm. wide: sheath purplish brown to stramineous, acute, sometimes slightly inflated at the apex: spikelets ovoid-cylindric, 4-10 mm. long, many-flowered: scales obtuse to emarginate, stramineous to reddish-brown, with a lighter keel and a prominently scarious margin: anthers 0.7 mm. long: style 3-fid: achene 1.0 mm. long, trigonous with sulcate angles, glistening white, often obscurely reticulate or brown-striolate: style-base nearly as wide as the apex of the achene, irregularly pyramidal, often somewhat flattened, white to light brown, frequently with overhanging margins: bristles white, usually equalling the achene.—Enum. ii. 144 (1837); Steudel, Syn. Cyp. 75 (1855). Scirpus sulcatus Roth, Nov. Pl. 30 (1821), not Petit Thouars (1811). Scirpidium sulcatum Nees in Mart. Fl. Bras. ii<sup>1</sup>. 98 (1842) and in Bonplandia iii. 86 (1855). Eleocharis sulcata Nees, Linnaea ix. 294 (1834) (nomen) and in Kunth, Enum. ii. 157 (1837) (nomen); Boeckl. Linnaea xxxvi. 445 (1869–70); Hemsley, Biol. Cent.-Am. Bot. iii. 457 (1885); Britton, Journ. N. Y. Micr. Soc. v. 107 (1889); C. B. Clarke, Bull. Herb. Boiss. ser. 2, iii. 1015 [Pl. Hasslerianae 237] (1903); Barros, Anales Mus. Hist. Nat. Buenos Aires xxxiv. 459, fig. 16 (1928); Standley, Field Mus. Bot. Ser. viii<sup>4</sup>. 263 (1931); Ostén, Anales Mus. Hist. Nat. Montevideo, ser. 2a, iii. 178 (1932); Uittien in Pulle, Fl. Surinam i. 113 (1934). Limnochloa calyptrata Liebm. Vidensk. Selsk. Skr. v. ii. 244 (1851). Eleocharis calyptrata Steud. Syn. Cyp. 81 (1855); Hemsley, Biol. Cent.-Am. Bot. iii. 455 (1885). E. Rothiana Boeckl. Flora xliii. 3 (1860) and Linnaea xxxvi. 444 (1869–70). Scirpus filiculmis Schrad. ex Griseb.

<sup>1</sup> Anales Mus. Nat. Hist. Buenos Aires xxxiv. 474, fig. 25 (1928).

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in Goett. Abh. xxiv. 311 (1879), acc. to Index Kewensis. E. Balansaiana Boeckl. in Flora v. 62 (1879) acc. to Barros (l. c.). E. costaricensis Boeckl. and E. purpureo-vaginata Boeckl. Allg. Bot. Zeit. ii. 34 (1896).—West Indies, Mexico, and southward to Paraguay and Argentina [Buenos Aires and other localities cited by Barros (l. c.)]. CUBA: Isle of Pines, A. A. Taylor no. 54 (G, NY); Nueva Gerona, Isle of Pines, Palmer & Riley no. 993 (NY); in wet savannas, near Herradura, Pinar del Rio, Van Hermann no. 293 (NY); pine woods, boggy places, Herradura, F. S. Earle no. 732 (NY); in pinelands, Herradura, Ekman no. 17789 (NY); Pinar del Rio, Ekman no. 16661 (G); palm-barrens west of Guane, Pinar del Rio, Shafer no. 10501 (NY). DOMINICA: Pimentel, Abbott no. 722 (NY). MEXICO: Quim-

ixto, Jalisco, Mexia no. 1215 (NY): Saltillo, Coahuila, Fr. Adole no. 26 (NY); Saltillo, Gregg in 1897 (NY). GUATE-MALA: Coban, Tuerckheim nos. 429 (G. NY), 1267 (NY), and 1383 (G, NY); inter Coban et Gualan, Bernoulli no. 801 (NY); Livingston, Tuerckheim no. 1219 (NY); Quebradas, Dept. Izabal, S. F. Blake no. 7517 (G) (as E. elas-EL SALVADOR: Ixtepeque, socarpa). Dept. San Vicente, Standley no. 21452 (G, NY). PANAMA: wet fields, in dense tufts, near Matias Hernandez, Prov. Panama, Standley no. 28983 (NY); be-Fort Clayton and Corozal, tween Standley no. 29168 (NY); Juan Diaz, Prov. Panama, Killip no. 4093 (NY); El Boquete, Prov. Chiriqui, Killip nos.



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4531 (NY) and 4585 (NY); Aguadulce, Prov. Coclé, near sea level, Pittier no. 4896 (NY); Penonome, R. S. Williams, no. 301 (NY); dry fields, Chivi-Chivi, Killip no. 4078 (NY). VENEZUELA: Riverside, Ciudad Bolivar, L. H. Bailey nos. 1360 (NY), 1654 (G, NY), and 1691 (NY). TRINIDAD: Mora forest, Broadway no. 7351 (NY); Piarco Savanna, Broadway no. 2144 (NY); Guanapo, McLean in 1913 (NY). COLOMBIA: wet marl, alt. 1500 m., Mesa de los Santos, Dept. Santander, Killip & Smith nos. 15045 (G, NY) and 21186 (NY); Neiva, Dept. Huila, Rusby & Pennell no. 1070 (NY); Armenia, Dept. Caldas, Pennell, Killip & Hazen no. 8644 (G, NY); Buenaventura, Dept. El Valle, Killip no. 11682 (G, NY); without loc., Funck & Schlim in 1862 (NY). PERU: Yurimaguas, Dept. Loreto, Killip & Smith nos. 27959 (NY) and 29067 (NY); prope Tarapoto, Peruv. orientalis, Spruce no. 4283 (NY). BOLIVIA: Buenavista, Dept. Santa Cruz, Steinbach no. 6946 (NY); Yapacani, O. Kuntze no. 133 (NY). SURINAM: Schweinitz (NY). BRAZIL: Matto Grosso, S. Moore no. 112 (NY). PARAGUAY: Asuncion, Morong no. 249 (G, NY); Hassler no. 501 (NY); Cordillera de Villa-Rica, Hassler no. 8686 (G).

The name E. filiculmis clearly antedates E. sulcata (Nees) Kunth, but I am not at all certain that it is the oldest available name, for a maze of synonymy surrounds the Brazilian plants, to be cleared up only by recourse to the herbaria of Nees and other early writers. Schrader's specimen of Scirpus filiculmis at Berlin, upon which E. filiculmis Kunth was based, was seen by Boeckeler and treated by him as a variant of E. sulcata "variat porro rhizomate abbreviato culmisque basi tuberascentibus." E. Rothiana Boeckl. was a renaming of Scirpus sulcatus Roth (1821) (already occupied by Du Petit-Thouars' species from St. Helena) which also received the name Fimbristylis sulcata Schultes, Mant. ii. 52 (1824). At least two additional names to be reckoned with are *Chaetocyperus tenuiculus* Nees, in Mart. Fl. Bras. ii<sup>1</sup>. 96 (1842), based on Scirpus tenuiculus Schrader in Schultes. Mant. ii. 74 (1824), and *Chaetocyperus emarginatus* Nees (l. c.); the former, as differentiated by Nees, having a short truncate style-base as wide as the achene, the latter with a rostriform thickened obtuse Both species came from eastern Brazil. style-base. Through the kindness of Dr. Ostenfeld, I have borrowed the type specimen of E. calyptrata Liebmann, which is illustrated (pl. 465, fig. 2), and which is unquestionably the same as other Central American material passing as E. sulcata.

E. filiculmis is the connecting link between series Tenuissimae and a group of larger species (E. pachystyla, etc.) abundantly represented in Argentina (cf. Barros l. c.), but shows also a strong resemblance to the African E. anceps.

36. E. PACHYSTYLA (C. Wright) Clarke (PL. 465, FIG. 4). MAP 21. Culms numerous from a short horizontal or branched-ascending root-



MAP 21. Range of ELEOCHARIS PACHY-STYLA.

stock: culms 3-5 cm. long, 1-2 mm. wide, rather soft, terete to flattened-sulcate when dry: sheaths dark reddish-brown, not loose, oblique at the herbaceous, but firm, apex: spikelets obovoid, obtuse, 5-7 mm. long, often clavate at the base: scales obtuse, thin, scarcely keeled, stramineous with brown-flecked margins, the lowest inclined to be cartilaginous: stamens 3, anthers 0.7 mm. long: style 3-fid: achene narrowly obovoid, trigonous, 1.5 mm. long (including the elongated style-base), yellowish brown, faintly striate-reticulate: style-base 1/3 as long as the achene body, elongated, tri-

angular-conic, or sometimes almost falcate: bristles dark brown, retrorsely toothed, equalling the body of the achene.—Urban, Symb.

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