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Dear Sir,

Please allow me a few questions. In your manual you mark *Habenaria hyperborea* Rth. with (Eu). I did not find that species in any European flora, I have, neither Roth nor Ledebour nor Wahlenberg's *H. capensis*, where I expected to find it; only Hooker mentioned it in his Tour in Ireland. In Martens Flora arctica the habitat is given only in Greenland and Ireland. What I wish to know is, whether the species occurs in other European or northern arctic countries. Many years ago I found a *Habenaria* here in my neighbourhood which I took for *hyperborea* (perianth white). When I reviewed my *herbarium* lately, I found it very like *Bidistata*, which I have from the Rocky mountains and I am in doubt now, whether *H. hyperborea* occurs here. Can you send me an authentic specimen of the latter species I would be very thankful. Another struggle I have at *Simulacra stellata*. Should (Eu) not be put rather at *Sim. trifolia*? or cancelled at all? Kunth gives the habitat of the former as Canada as Oregon, in California Am. bor. occ. et art. and of the latter: *Siberia*; a Russ. as Ledebour. Terra Rossa Am. bor. occ. et art. Ledebour, not west of the Altai mountains.

Do you know of the occurrence of one of these two species in Europe or is there a *capensis* pennae? Excuse these questions, as I have some interest in them on account of my geographical studies.

Respectfully

Yours

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