

The plants grow and so on.

The second part has appeared now too and the third is in print.

When do you expect to bring out again a new volume of your *Orchidaceae*? I expect there will be again heaps of your novelties. By the way, often I see that you identify Philippine species with Japanese. I am sure, in most cases you will see, that after all they are distinct. I am afraid often your comparing material is not good or wanting. If you have any doubtful ones I will gladly help a little. You will have seen that in a few cases I have already corrected the things, that is to say, as far

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My dear Dr. Ames!

Many thanks for your kind letter which I received yesterday. I feel myself quite guilty for not having written to you for such a long time, but really I was myself overburdened with work and then for nearly three months have been away from Berlin, partly in London and Paris and partly for recreation on the sea-side.

I am afraid now, that I have made a mistake with the *Ima*, from *Orchids*, which I wanted to send to you. By my correspondence I see now that I have sent this list to Mr. Merrill. I was under the impression that I had

sent them off to you and not
yet to Mr. Merrill. So if you
will write to Mr. Merrill about
it, if you should not have re-
ceived them yet (I mean the
set of Guatemalan Orchids) I am
sure he will let you have these
as they will be duplicates for
them, and he is sure to get
any amount of others yet from
me.

I will shortly distribute my
Vellozo-Orchids and will then send
you one of the best sets. In re-
turn I will gladly receive
any of the Philippine Orchids
you offered me from Weber's and
Foster Vanoverbergh's collecting.
Of course I will be very anxious
too to get any Central or Tropical

American Orchids. Do not forget
please too, that I am always
desirous to get the Leguminosae
and Primulaceae, if ever you
get a chance to get anything
in that line for me.

Of course you will get a copy
of my "Orchideen von Deutsch-West
Guinea" but I would be very
thankful if you would review
the book in one or two of the
chief American botanical and
opening journals. We are very
badly in need of subscribers and
perhaps you may be able to help
me there a little by recommending
the work. It will be useful to
gardeners too because I have
given lots of notes about the
natural conditions under which

as my opinion goes.

What about the Chinese Orchids of Wilson? I think you have some novelties there for and you want about a few duplicates for me. I got some interesting South-American things lately, but unfortunately no duplicates except perhaps in a very few cases.

I have described lately several hundreds of new Orchids and only wish I could see an end to the novelties coming in. Sometimes one is glad to get hold again of a little known species of Reichenbach; like for instance I got the other day *Oncostium*

and unexcuse. P. p. A few days ago
I got two a fine inflorescence
of *Cardosetum integrissimum*,
said to have been imported
from Honduras, do you know
this plant?

As to exchange generally
you can expect from me yet
quite heaps of material, only
I must get first through a cer-
tain amount of work to find
the time for their distribution.

Hoping to hear soon from
you again

Very sincerely Yours

R. Schlechter.



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Oakes Ames Orchid Herbarium correspondence files

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