

May 26

Dear Mr. Lankester:  
In the absence of Mr. Faray, who is in London for the Brit. Orch. Congress, I am answering your letter.

After spending some time on the little *Odontoglossum*, I decided that it must be new & allied to *O. stellatum* Lindl., we shall retain it for description later.

I do not say that Mr. Dillon is well and is also in London and Paris. Thank you for the *Sobralia* seeds. Perhaps you will know of some one who cares to raise this species.

I sincerely yours,  
C. H. Lankester

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Dear Sir,

This week a very attractive little species of orchid has

flowered at my plant collection opposite La Bonifera, where I lived for many years & grew up in 1951.

There is no record unfortunately of the locality, which I believe was Boquete (not the Chiriqui one) on the Pan Am highway at about 3500' - 4000', & I will appreciate very highly your goodness in sending me its name. It is a plant of largely calcareous growth & worthy of a place in any 'botanical' collection. I shall hope to obtain a photo of which if convenient you shall have a copy. No recollection occurs to me of seeing it before; it recalls somewhat *Odont. flammula*.

I have been saddened to hear a moment of the illness of Dr. Dillon. He must have been overburdened with work for the Oxford Congress not imminent. Though I never had the privilege of meeting him, he was kind enough to write to me several times. It is sad to you find in the hope it may retain some

for you & me.

Yours faithfully,

C. H. Lankester

I wonder if you or some friend would care to bring some seed of *Sobralia xantholeuca*, it is from a very fine type collected at Monte Bellos.





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