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June 20, 1926
137 South La Salle Street
Chicago, Illinois.

Miss Mary O. Pollard
Frances Shimer School
Mount Carroll, Ill.

My Dear Miss Pollard

When I visited Smith's Park with Mrs Baroody I found a colony of violets on one of the high ~~bank~~ banks of the ravine, that looked odd to me, so I brought several plants home with me.

When I tried to locate the variety I found nothing like it in foliage in any description that I could find. Britton and Brown, Gray and the two Vermont Bulletins give no clues.

The leaves are segmented as per the outline above and have a blossom like the common prairie bird's foot.

On page 162 of Bulletin 239, Vermont Agricultural Station Some Natural Violet Hybrids of North America, figure A. is a picture of *viola pedatifida* that is the nearest to the general contour of the leaf.

On page 163 it is stated that Mary O. Pollard found a hybrid of *papilionacea* x *pedatifida*, which was the first intimation that I had that you were interested in botany.

I am enclosing one of the leaves, to supplement the outline, and if you can throw any light on the pedigree of the variety I will appreciate it greatly.

Very Sincerely

Orpheus M. Schantz
137 So La Salle St
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a natural
Graham
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