

Providence, Feb 3^d. 1890.

There was a fine fellow named Deane,
A botanical sharper, I ween,
He struck terra firma -

And cried "flaccosperma,
Thy label's complete now, I ween!"

Here it is; in Gray Herb. { No I,
in Gray's
sheets.

Plantae Texanae.

No 744,

Carex flaccosperma, Dewey

Wet woods, Houston, April 12.

Eastern Texas, Coll Elihu Hall, 1872,

(No 2. in Gray). Same

from Louisiana.

Hale, legit.

Comm by J. C. Porter.

Both ~~these~~ these are inclosed with one, apparently the
same, marked "*Carex grisea*, Wall. B mutica
C. flaccosperma, Dewey.

Hale, legit.

Red River, Louisiana.

2. One the first sheet are these notes -

1 set. ♂ spikes sessile

♂ spikes pedunculate.

♂ spikes sub-sessile.

Some vivipara tracts.

I testify upon oath that this all I know of *C. flaccospermum*. I had a delightful letter yesterday from Dr. H. Christ of Basel, in English, and singularly good English, till he comes to the P.S., where he merely remarks that he has "an enraged admiration of all ferns and fern allies", and expresses his "illimited sympathies" with Mrs. Bailey in her school.

My dear little ones are quite well again, and we are reunited, and with grateful hearts, as usual, when I write to you, I am in the clutches of a Stenocardiac (new version) neuralgia, much increased by having a low-hall pass through a window near my head, in the last afternoon, scattering fire glass all around me, I thought at first it was an explosion, finally - I went out in a towering passion (Lord, how mad I was!) and metaphorically collided that young man. Even the women will turn. Truth crushed to earth will rise again, and your usually calm friend - is a little pepper pot when he's riled. But then Nature's voice tolls on me for all excitement.

I have the "Lolamists" on exhibition at college. Have made a big key to the thing. It is a great picture.

Truly yours ever.

Bailey (W. W.).



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