to our knowledge of this interesting Fern, it seems to me worth while to correct the error contained in the sentence quoted.

At the time of my investigations of the Hymenophyllaceae in 1889 I excluded *Loxsoma* from my study because proper material was not then at my disposal, and also because I considered this *genus* as not included in the family. I therefore refrained from making any reference to the structure of *Loxsoma*. In the sentence over which the author is troubled this is expressly stated as follows:—

‘Der Stamm der *Hymenophyllaceen*—ich nehme immer *Loxsoma* aus, welches seinem ganzen Aufbaue nach eine besondere Stellung einzunehmen scheint und von den Systematikern neuerdings auch von den *Hymenophyllaceen* getrennt wird—besitzt ein centrales, collateral oder concentrisch gebautes Gefässbündel. Dasselbe ist umgeben,’ &c.

It is therefore evident that the author has inadvertently failed to grasp my expressed meaning, and has consequently misrepresented my position in this matter, which is precisely that of Prantl, of whom he says—‘no mention is made at all of the anatomy of *Loxsoma*.’

K. GIESENHAGEN.

MUNICH,
April 10, 1901.

In my paper upon the anatomy of this Fern, published in the last number of the *Annals*, I made a reference to the work of Dr. Giesenhagen on the Hymenophyllaceae, in which, I regret to say, I have, inadvertently, completely misrepresented his statements. At the time I was writing my article I was unfortunately unable to verify this particular reference, so the error was allowed to pass undetected. It is unnecessary to state how much I regret my mistake; it only remains to offer my sincere apologies to Dr. Giesenhagen in the hope that the preceding correction will make clear, and at the same time entirely remove, the erroneous impression I have given of his results.

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