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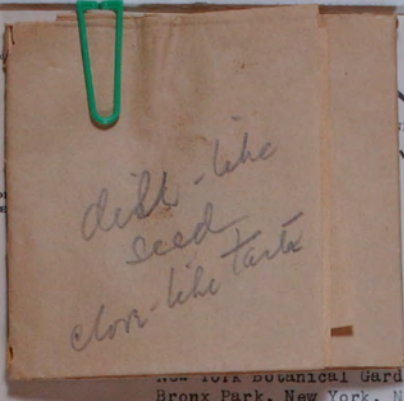
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NATURAL HISTORY
OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN
ANN ARBOR

March 29, 1938.



dill-like
seed
clove-like taste

New York Botanical Garden,
Bronx Park, New York, N. Y.

Dear Doctor Hassler:

Field Museum is sending to you
for determination seeds of Umbelliferae, which
have a clove-like odor and a close resemblance
in appearance to those of Anethum graveolens.
No locality or other data is available. Field
Museum thanks you very much for your determina-
tion. The specimen need not be returned.

Very truly yours,

Chas. C. Gregg
Director.

CCG/D

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FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
ROOSEVELT ROAD AND LAKE MICHIGAN
CHICAGO

OFFICE OF
THE DIRECTOR

March 29, 1938.

Dr. Mildred Mathias Hassler,
Research Associate,
New York Botanical Garden,
Bronx Park, New York, N. Y.

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Al Gregg
Director.

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OBERLIN COLLEGE
OBERLIN, OHIO

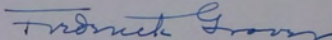
February 7, 1936

Dr. Mildred E. Mathias
New York Botanical Garden
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Mathias:

I have been very much interested in your studies in the UMBELLIFERAE which have appeared in the ANNALS OF THE MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN. Are you continuing your studies in this family? If so, would you be willing to amotate our collection of COGSWELLIA, CYMOPTERUS, and related genera of which we have about 160 sheets, chiefly from the Rocky Mountain region? I should hope that in the material you will find interesting forms and extension of range. I shall greatly appreciate your going over this collection. Whenever you are working on any other group, I hope you will make use of the Oberlin herbarium which contains about 100,000 sheets of vascular plants.

Sincerely yours,



Frederick Grover
Department of Botany
Oberlin College

FG:P

OBERLIN COLLEGE
OBERLIN, OHIO

Dr. Mildred E. Mathias
Shingletown
State College, Penna.

1350sh

My Dear Dr. Mathias:-

I am sending you today by Railway Express two large cartons containing our collection of Umbelliferae totaling about 1,370 sheets. By post I am sending you a package of annotation labels for your use in going over the collection. I greatly appreciate your kindness in offering to study our Umbelliferae and I hope that you will find enough interesting specimens to have made it worth your while. I shall be glad to have you take any specimens with you for comparison in the larger herbaria.

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With sincere best wishes

Cordially yours,

Frederick O. Grover
Frederick O. Grover

Botany Department
May 1, 1936

OBERLIN COLLEGE
OBERLIN, OHIO

November 24, 1936

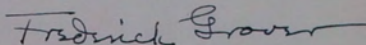
Dr. Mildred E. Mathias
Shingletown
State College, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Mathias:

Our Umbelliferae have arrived in good condition. Many hearty thanks to you for going over them. I hope that you have found some interesting material among them to pay you for your time.

We have a few more of this family chiefly from California and Nevada and I would be very glad if you could go over them later, if you have the time before you leave for California.

Very truly yours,



Frederick Grover
Department of Botany
Oberlin College

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BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

FRANKLIN STEWART HARRIS, PRESIDENT

PROVO, UTAH

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

T. L. MARTIN

B. F. HARRISON

June 22, 1933

Miss Mildred E. Mathias
Institute of Technology
Pasadena, California

Dear Miss Mathias:

I have a small group of Umbelliferae that are sadly in need of names. Would you care to identify them for me?

It seems that you made some determinations from the collection which was sent and I wondered if I might persuade you to do the same for me. I would very greatly appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Bertrand Harrison

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BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

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T. L. MARTIN
B. F. HARRISON

PROVO, UTAH
Oct. 27, 1933

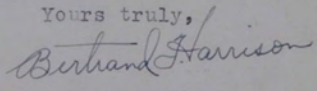
Mildred E. Mathias
Carnegie Museum Herbarium
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Mathias:

I am sending a small group of Umbelliferae to you that I should like to have determined.

I am enclosing a few stamps for return postage. I shall appreciate your help very much.

Yours truly,



B.F. Harrison
Instructor of Botany

BPH:EH

#162

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

FRANKLIN STEWART HARRIS, PRESIDENT

PROVO, UTAH

January 22, 1935

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

T. L. MARTIN

B. F. HARRISON

Mildred Mathias Hassler
Carnegie Museum Herbarium
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

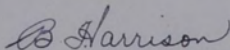
Dear Mrs. Hassler:

About a year and a half ago I sent you some Umbelliferae for determination. Your letter of December 16, 1933 acknowledges receiving them but as I have not heard from you since, I am wondering if the determinations have been lost. If so, would it be possible for me to obtain a duplicate list of these determinations?

Will you also let me know if there are any more copies of your monograph of the genus *Cymopterus* available, where I can obtain one, and the price.

Thank you kindly.

Yours very truly,



B. F. Harrison
Professor of Botany

BFH:ALP

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

FRANKLIN STEWART HARRIS, PRESIDENT

PROVO, UTAH

May 15, 1935

Mildred Mathias
Shingletown
State College, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Mathias,

I received the monograph and the other publications which you sent me recently. Thank you so much for them--I appreciate them very much. The mounted specimens and the list of other determinations also arrived and I am very grateful to you for these determinations.

I have delayed writing as the University of Utah was using the field book which contained the data regarding the specimens of Cogswellia minima #4360. This collection evidently doesn't extend the known range at all, for the plants were collected at Bryce Canyon, Garfield County, Utah, June 15, 1929, by Dr. W. P. Cottam, W. D. Stanton, and B. F. Harrison. They were found in dry soil at about 6,500 feet elevation. I was also very interested to learn of the other records represented by the other specimens.

I have just returned from a short collecting trip thru the west desert of Utah and while we didn't find a great number of Umbelliferae we did find a few. I'll pack these up along with a few others and send them on to you within a few days. If you will, please send us a list of your determinations and keep the specimens.

Very sincerely,

Bertrand Harrison

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

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DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

B. F. HARRISON

EDNA SNOW

September 23, 1944

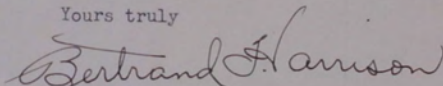
Dr. Mildred Mathias
Department of Botany
University of California
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Mathias:

I am sending you a package of seventeen specimens of Umbelliferae today by parcel post. Would you please send us your identifications of them by number and keep the specimens except in the case of the four mounted sheets which I would like to have returned.

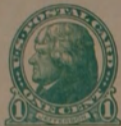
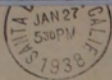
Thank you very kindly for your help.

Yours truly



Bertrand F. Harrison

BFH:dg



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

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MILDRED E. MATHIAS
4004 Life Sciences Bldg.
University of California
Berkeley, California

Santa Barbara Museum
of Natural History,
Santa Barbara, Calif.

#164

January 27, 1938.

Dear Miss Mathias:

I thank you for returning the two
sheets of *Lomatium*, and I find your
remarks of great interest.

I doubtless will take advantage
of your kind offer to identify specimens
of Umbelliferae.

Very sincerely yours,

Ruth Hartwell

Ans. 11/10/39

#165



THE NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF FORESTRY
AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY
SAMUEL N. SPRING, DEAN

FOREST BOTANY AND PATHOLOGY

HENRY F. A. MEIER, PH. D.
Physiology

RAY R. HIRT, PH. D.
Pathology

FRANK E. EGLER, PH. D.
Ecology and Taxonomy

JOSIAH L. LOWE, PH. D.
Mycology

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

Nov. 2, 1939

Dr. Mildred E. Mathias
1156 Keeler Avenue
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Mathias:

Mr. Harold N. Moldenke of the New York Botanical Garden suggested that you might undertake to identify certain thesis material for me. The title of the problem is "An Annotated list (with keys) of the Ferns and Flowering Plants of the Archer and Anna Huntington Wildlife Forest Station. This is the College experimental forest of 15,000 acres situated in the Adirondacks about 20 miles south of Mt. Nancy.

During the past growing season, I have covered the area intensively collecting over a thousand numbers which, I should estimate, contain about 450 species. Each collection contains enough material for four herbarium sheets and I would gladly deposit one fourth of each collection of the Umbelliferae in your herbarium in return for identification. There are about 20 collections in this group.

I would appreciate it very much if you would undertake the identification. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Harold F. Heady
Harold F. Heady
Graduate Assistant

Herbarium of the U. of Oregon, Eugene
Jan 31/28

Miss Mildred C. Mathias
Dear Madame,

There were three brothers in the Howell family, as I knew them, Joseph, oldest, farmer and occasional collector. John, next, farmer.

Thomas Howell, botanist and writer of flora. I am practically certain Thomas had no middle name. The error might have crept in from the fact that Joseph and Thomas sometimes collected together in their earlier work, and it might have been abbreviated from W. J. Howell. Thomas Howell did all of the collecting save about their farm, in the later years of their life.

Yours truly,
S. J. Hudson,
Curator.

Huron H. Smith

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H. H. Smith
Milwaukee
Fullic
Museum

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ALBERT R. SWEETSER
LOUIS F. HENDERSON

ETHEL I. SANBORN
LOURENE E. TAYLOR

Herbarium of the U. of O. Apr 21

Miss M. E. Mathias,

Dear Madame,

Your in reference to *Pseudocymopterus Hendersoni* just recd.

I think, from the date, Aug 21st, that I must have collected the plants in the Beaver Head Mts, Lemhi Co, Idaho. These mts are as much the Rocky mts as any. The only specimen we have here of my coll. is from Sieber's collection which came to U. of O. These specimens have been nearly entirely eaten up by worms, long before Dever came to the U. All the fls. & fruit, are gone and most of leaves. My own collection, you may have heard, was destroyed when the old University of Idaho Bld. was burned, years ago.

Yours truly,

L. F. Henderson.

P.S. Please return my *Sidalcea*s as soon as you possibly can have finished with them, as I need them constantly.

CARNEGIE MUSEUM
DEPARTMENT OF
THE CARNEGIE INSTITUTE
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, U.S.A.

A. AVINOFF
DIRECTOR

Sept 1, 1938

Dear Mrs. Hassler:-

I just returned from the Mycological Foray in Quebec and found your letter here. Had a grand trip, good collecting and a wonderful opportunity to meet mycologists. Elvira went along and helped me collect and we both enjoyed the trip. I thank you for your expression of sympathy. It certainly was a great blow to me, but now we feel that it was better to have her early than later. The Dr. diagnosed it as internal bleeding at base of brain. He felt there was something organically incomplete there, so you can see it was better that it developed then than later.

In regard to the book, I think you want Strasburger's Text-book of Botany, 5th English Edition, published by Macmillan and Co., 1924. The colored diagrams you mention are on pages 129 & 130. There are also diagrams in black on page 128. There is a 6th Ed., 1930 but it does not have the latter diagrams. It was no trouble to find, for I thought of Strasburger when I read your letter.

Things are going along here just about as usual. I'm
trying to keep the Herbarium going and do research on my fungi
at the same time - some job. Mr. Jennings taught summer
school again & is now taking a week of vacation. Had
a couple of NYA girls last winter & a boy to write labels
during June & July, but we could easily use one all the time.

How is your work on the Umbels progressing? If there is
anything else I can do for you just let me know. Don't forget
the Herbarium when you are in Pittsburgh.

Best regards to you & Mr. Hasler,

L. K. Henry

#169

No. H. 1090/33

Date of Despatch 30/5/33

Received on loan from the Royal Botanic

Gardens, Kew, ^{OK} 69 sheets of

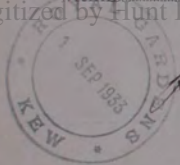
Hydrocotyle

which I undertake to return in good condition

within

3 months

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Dr. Melville E. Mathias,

Signature

per *[Signature]*
Curator of Botany
Carnegie Museum

Date June 21, 1933,

Received at Kew.

Arthur Hill

Director.

Date 22.9.33



ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS,
KEW, SURREY.

2170

All communications should be addressed to

THE DIRECTOR.

31st May, 1933.

H. 1090/33.

Dear Sir,

I beg to advise the despatch of a parcel containing 69 sheets of Hydrocotyle on loan for examination by Dr. Mildred E. Mathias, who is, I understand, at present working at the Carnegie Museum. These are sent in response to a request made by Dr. Mathias to Dr. T.A. Sprague. A form of acknowledgment for the specimens is enclosed herewith.

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We do not usually send such a large proportion of a particular genus on loan, but we are making an exception in this case. I should be glad, therefore, if you would kindly arrange to have the specimens returned within a period of three months from the date of receipt. The material includes all the numbers mentioned by Dr. Mathias, together with the desired unnamed material.

As the material is very fragile I shall be glad if it could be handled with the greatest care.
and packed very carefully for return.

Yours faithfully,

Director.

The Director,
Carnegie Museum,
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

GEO. B. HINTON

Apartado 47
Zitacuaro Mich.
Mexico

May 7 1938

Dr Mildred E. Mathias
Department of Botany
University of California
Berkeley Cal.
U.S.A.

Dear Dr Mathias:-

Your letter of April 29 just received here. It is encouraging to find some one in the Epling class.

It is very difficult for a collector to do anything without the support of specialists in the Herbarium. We did very little with Salvia till we found Dr Epling. Then with the shade of Epling standing beside each Salvia, wanting it, we got six new species in a few months.

The Umbelliferae have been a dead issue. Altogether I have received a list from Kew, Sept 1934, and one by Mathias dated August 1936 covering up to No 8657 which was collected Nov. 17 1936. Since 1935 I have collected a lot of Umbelliferae and I suppose they are piled up at Kew and nobody interested.

If you write a personal letter to Sir Arthur Hill I think he will send you the undetermined Umbelliferae he has pending.

I have determined duplicates of about 100 collections of 40 species of Umbelliferae (24 species by Mathias). Only seven collections of Potentilla have been determined. Of Polemoniaceae 17 collections of 6 species have been determined. A pitiful proportion of the 11841 collections I have made in the last seven years.

A few days ago I wrote to Dr Mason offering specimens and enclosed a list of new species. If you glance at it you will see that the 100 new species are the work of specialists in a few genera only. The great bulk of the collections has not been touched. If Bullock and I found ten new species of Bursera, you and I should get fifty new species of Umbelliferae. But Bullock and I did a lot of work. I collected 300 Bursera.

I would like to supply the U.C. with a thousand determined herbarium specimens a year and include in the thousand all the Umbelliferae Polemoniaceae and Potentillae we find during the year. Could you take this up with Dr Mason for me? The price is \$150 U.S. per thousand. Prof Paul C. Standley at the Field Museum Chicago is handling a lot of Mexican material and will be able to tell you if my stuff is alright. Please drop him a line of enquiry.

I do not feel sure of picking out the Polemoniaceae. When I was a Junior at the U.C. I was in Mining and Chemistry and the professors didn't tell us anything as interesting. However Mining has been a good introduction to collecting in Mexico.

Yours Very Truly,

Geo. B. Hinton

Aguililla
Mich.
Mexico

Jan 16 1941

#172

Dr Mildred Mathias
University of California
Berkeley Cal.

Dear Dr Mathias:-

Under separate cover today I mail you 23 sheets of Umbelliferae for determination. I also enclose one sheet of a Polemoniaceae as I have understood that Dr Mason would undertake the determination of specimens in this family. However I have been unable to get any word from Dr Mason although I sent in a bunch of Polemoniaceae last August. Please be so kind as to take the matter up with Dr Mason and let me know if I am in order sending Polemoniæ to him for determination.

Yours Very Sincerely,

J. B. Horton

Dear Mother:

January 20, 1934

#173

In accordance with your kind offer - and before you have a chance to change your mind - I have, ~~now~~ ready to ship 352 numbered sheets of Wendell's ferns.

I don't care whether you have any room for them or not. They aren't packed well, and I'm not too sure of the count, but they mean a great deal to me - you can have fragments from all six types - He H. I really ought to have you look the plants over, however, and hope you change every single name.

Was I sick this week? - I asked Mr. Greenman for his opinion, and when I came, 1165 sheets, I had an express bill of \$12.64 today - and I'll have to send the damned stuff back sometime, too. Really, that green is going to be a bear - eat, the whole eye species are all one, or two hundred and one, I'm not sure which - but I'm not sure either.

New! we didn't see Darwin or his husband - in fact we didn't even see

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I have had a note or two from George - he's collecting all over the island to the piquet, piquet's, and Lasso Lasso and what have you. ^{Sally,} and I could not find anything to talk about if I had to. What is the deal does he find to go about? I surely wish I were more gifted in that particular. It takes me just about 3 minutes to say all I can think of about any subject.

Now you think you're smart with your assistant. Is her your work too, (Lasso, is?) So death.

I don't know? and Pittsburgh in general - But there are, on the end of that road? I'll look after I send your letter.

Warm love

Hunt

February 6, 1934

Dear Mrs. Hessel:

Sorry if my dirty truck caused you too much trouble - However, I knew you would request me - and I'd want to know what some of that junk was. The unmounted material is for you - I only want the names. I suggest that unmounted, dried, unlabelled material makes wonderful material for building fireplaces. - also, the same ~~can~~ should be said of any other undetermined groups.

What do I call how many others you found - I really counted them very hastily - and am not at all surprised.

Had a nice letter from George not long ago - I intended to enclose it, but find I can't find it. He's still gushing about opening in the north and teaching in general - I wish I could have his youthful enthusiasm. He'd be sure, unless by no chance when he got as old as we, would be, muddled?

I still can't get in touch with Jo - you'd never guess how that young lady gives us the run-around. She's care-taken for a long & long time. So I guess she has little time for calls.

Janni wrote me a letter this week - and what a long-stemmed letter it was. It's late to see her long enough to trace her back to good cry.

Act. Mein Gott, I'm not sticking to business form - It's with great appreciation, as thanks, that I close this epistle - and sincere regards to you and your husband -

Love from me - all to you - all

Hetty

and yourself that I. Raymond Fisher is spending time

May 1880 in the purchase with the Bishop Museum
Exhibition? - The lucky beam

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January 23, 1935

Dear Milled:

Unbelievable amount OK - thanks a million - especially for
freeing my time - now my salary won't be cut. I keep the rest as
long as you wait - I don't see how self-repelling I seem now
what any benefactors amount for, no way.

Please look for us this summer - I'm telling myself I know
easy of Wyoming that we're going to visit them this
summer and so far a strong desire has quieted an
announcement.

Lepidoptera is an awful mess - but I seem to slowly be
shopping up - I only got about 15 hours on it a week - I hope
to have a well enough we have a prof. I spend a few
weeks a Field, Gray, & U.S. Nat. Hist. this summer - it will
probably be a few days rather than weeks.

I hope I can teach summer school, if so will leave here
August first - after selling our car - take a bus to Detroit
stop with me at Chicago, buy a new Ind, and drive
up the St. Lawrence to Quebec, down through Maine
to Boston - Evelyn and I got all gossamer - finally -
(just like you and I did) when we talk about
it.

Our other catch - we have to save \$400 by June -
you should see our money!!! - because

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fatalities - died of hooping scurf - success
eczema - and fallen waist line.

God is good - haven't been up to zero for weeks and
a dirty wind keeps blowing. The morning I started
the fire, going at 4:15 - at 10 o'clock there was steam in
the bath tub - and at 7:30 when I left for school College
was setting me the register (the furnace was red hot) - with
a pair of my sweat pants & a sweat shirt under pajamas -
a wooden bath robe - wooden box for feet - lined slippers
with a heated pad on the back - spirit lamp &
but were African loaves - not g-selles - water of

Cassius? well nearly, spirit lamp to admit.

My my I must away to the country to go lecture
prepared - 149 in my general Botany this quarter
(four lab sections), and 15 in Taxonomy.

Love and as usual stuff

Kitchin

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY
SEATTLE

September 28, 1937

Dear Constance:

After almost two weeks of Seattle I am nearly settled and know something about the place. We have had the pleasure of the company of Dr. and Mrs. Jones on several occasions, in fact, I have wasted most of his afternoons in bull sessions.

He feels that he should like to spend a winter at some one of the larger institutions in research where we both feel he would come under the eye of the men who have a chance to recommend men for jobs (pardon, positions) as they open up.

I am writing to you to see if you won't ask Mildred M. Hassler to do what she can about getting him a little grant for study at New York Botanical Garden. You may show her my letter if you care to, and assure her that I believe Jones is all you have said he is. Tell her he has the following qualifications:

1. Julian's knowledge of detail and local flora.
2. Her love of bibliography and a goodly part in her knowledge of same.
3. Andy's interest in nature and much of his general knowledge.
4. Darned good horse sense and a pleasing personality, of course.

I wouldn't have Jones know I said this, in fact Mrs. Jones is typing this letter.

Sincerely,

Hutchins

October 14, 1937

Dear Mrs. Dr. Hassler:

Thank you for the letter that you last written to Gleason. He wrote me yesterday saying he could pay Jones \$5 per month for two months next summer, but nothing until then.

There are two reasons why I am so anxious to see Jones get something - first he is darned good. There is no denying that. He's a regular "plant nut" like Julian but miles ahead of him intellectually, so that he will be a big man some day. I feel sure

secondly, although I am not to blame, I feel that my coming here has hurt him - I know, of course, that they wouldn't have kept him even if I hadn't come, but I still feel sorry for the need at the same time feel somewhat presumptuous in trying to step into his shoes. I may be overestimating him, but I'll be surprised if he isn't considered one of the best botanists in these United States someday, if he gets away and has a chance to get a slightly broader viewpoint.

I know not whether you have ever seen this layan tree, but I was surprised, when I came to find that all has been arranged and the herbarium is to be moved here next to my office. Another reason why I hope Jones soon get something, as I should like to react until after he has gone to move it. He won't have much of a place to work here in the building, in fact I doubt if he would even come into the building to work.

We like Seattle. It has been rather lovely weather since we came. We took an all-day trip two weeks ago with the Jones' - next Yukines' and back by Rainier. Last Sunday we went over into the Olympic Peninsula with Jones' and Mr. Stacey, in our car. Both trips were thoroughly enjoyable.

We have a 2-room apartment near the Campus and almost have nervous prostration with it. - The people below play their radio! ~~to~~ the one small house - and they have a saxophone and a ukulele. Ugh! We never turn our Radio on - with each cured - totally.

Have about 150 in Fishman Society - 9 in Range Plant Identification, and 9 in Sarsomy. Have very little material for the latter cause, and it's a huge mess - hardly any two persons in the job at the same time.

I must stop saying good-bye before I run off the paper - Thanks again for the pleasant room - house - and the borrowing of the pump - and I feel rotten that day.

Hasta La vista -

Yours
Stacey

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#178
DIRECTOR
RALPH HOFFMANN

SANTA BARBARA MUSEUM
OF
NATURAL HISTORY

November 23, 1931.

Dear Miss Mathias:

I have studied with interest your monograph on Cymopterus. I have about a dozen sheets from Inyo County which I should like very much to have determined. Would you have the time to identify these for me and, if so, where shall I send them?

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

Ralph Hoffmann
Director.

Miss Mildred E. Mathias,
Missouri Botanical Garden,
St. Louis, Mo.

PRESIDENT
REV. GEO. F. WELD

#179
DIRECTOR
RALPH HOFFMANN

SANTA BARBARA MUSEUM
OF
NATURAL HISTORY

January 23, 1932.

Dear Miss Mathias:

Thank you very much for your offer to identify Umbelliferae material for me. I am sending off a bundle today which I hope will not appall you by its size. The bulk of it is Lomatium and Cymopterus. I have included also about a dozen scattered sheets from the rest of the family.

I shall be very glad to have as much of this definitely determined as you can manage. Having no authoritative material within reach, I have to depend on printed descriptions, and I am sure that I am doing more or less fumbling in this difficult group. Your help will enable me to collect much more intelligently.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph Hoffmann
Director.

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MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
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CABLE ADDRESS
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ARBORETUM, GRAY SUMMIT, MO.
TROPICAL STATION, BALBOA, C. Z.
EUROPEAN REPRESENTATIVE,
HOVE, SUSSEX, ENGLAND

October
ninth
1937

Dear Dr. Mathias:

With one exception, all the contributions to the Greenman festschrift have greatly exceeded the designated length. Material now on hand will make a volume of between five hundred and six hundred pages, exclusive of plates, maps, etc. Have you any suggestions as to how your article can be shortened? For example, the one exception which I have noted has achieved brevity by the deletion of specific descriptions, which the author thought unnecessary in conjunction with an adequate key. This paper is also without illustrations. Would it be possible to delete or abbreviate your specific descriptions? Would it be possible to further limit your illustrative matter?

In any case it will be impossible to get this bulk of material through the press in time for the November number of the Annals. The Greenman number will have to be held until the first of 1938.

Dr. Woodson will write you soon regarding plans that we are making for a birthday dinner for Dr. Greenman at Indianapolis, December 27. It will be possible at that time to present him with a copy of the galley or page-proof of the Festschriften.

Very truly yours,

Nell C. Horner
Librarian and Editor of Publications

Dr. Mildred Mathias Hassler
1156 Keeler Ave.
Berkeley, Calif.

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Dear Mildred,

Is there any way of shortening your paper? Counting all the $\frac{1}{2}$ sheets as $\frac{1}{2}$ sheets, etc., yours is about 46 pages. Putting it in 8 point will bring it down to about 80+, which is still too much. Yours has been ready for the printer a week or two, but since they ^[the printers] were not in a position to set it up (there being three ahead of yours) I did not send it in; just in case you wanted to change or subtract anything you could do so with impunity. If you can cut it, will you send me the changes by air-mail, so I can get yours to the printer ^{next to Lucas} in still hoping that this can be finished in December, as the Feb.-April, 1938 number, way ahead of time. Dr. Moore says the idea is impossible. Maybe it is, but we can try. Key says that the galley-proof presentation reminds him of a bride "serving a fallen cake because it is the best she can do."

I got all your corrections added. I judge that was the end, since you did not answer my post-card. I'll be writing again.

Hastily and Affectionately
The Frankie Edgewood

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EUROPEAN REPRESENTATIVE,
HOVE, SUSSEX, ENGLAND

October
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Dear Mildred:

Enclosed is the Lomatium proof, at least part of it. Do you recognize your child? Bob has checked every reference, and made some changes. I told him that probably you had some inside information that he hadn't, and that he had better not change authorities, but he didn't think so. However, if we are in error change back; and will you give Bob your reason?

The rest of the proof will be here on Monday, and I will send it to you by air-mail, but I thought that you could be getting this read. Incidentally, I won't have time to read any of the proofs with copy.

Do you have to have author's of species in the Index? It is such a bother, with the "acc. to" "in", etc.? I'm sending it to you, and you can check it. I started it, but couldn't give it enough care to insure accuracy. Don't you want to omit it?

The plans go on and on, and just now I feel that I'm making a little bit of headway. Happ's (the November Annals) is in page, Dodge's (November Annals) is on hand. And of the Birthday number, Sherff's is being paged, Eppy's is ready for paging, so is Bob's; yours and Kay's are half in galley; Carols is at the printer, and only Adele's must be gone over.

Didn't you tell me that the fifty reprints gratis would be enough?

If I have time I'll add a gossiping P.S.*

As ever,

Nell C. Horner
Librarian and Editor of Publications

Dr. Mildred Mathias-Hassler
1156 Keeler Avenue
Berkeley, California

P. S. Hold it. Ill send it next time.

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November
tenth
1937

Dear Mildred:

Here is the rest of the proof of the strange-looking child that bears your name. I haven't read it, and I may not get time to, but I know too well that you'll catch everything.

The November Annals has held up this Birthday number considerably, and just now proof is coming in. Even at that, I think we'll make it.

Send this back as soon as you can. We may have time to let you see page-proof.

More later, As ever,

Nellie

Nell C. Horner
Librarian and Editor of
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Berkeley, Calif.

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July 23, 1940

ARBORETUM, GRAY SUMMIT, MO.
TROPICAL STATION, BALBOA, C. I.
EUROPEAN REPRESENTATIVE,
HOVE, SUSSEX, ENGLAND

Dear Mildred:

Your air-mail letter was waiting on my desk when I returned from my vacation to-day. Sorry that I can't say anything definite or otherwise about those papers of yours, but here are the facts. Dr. Moore is out of town - won't be back for a ~~several~~ ^{several} weeks. What's more, he isn't making any commitments about publications. When he returns I'll hand your letter over to him (but I'll show it to Dr. Greenman first), then I'll write you his decision.

Sincerely yours,

Nell C. Horner

Nell C. Horner
Librarian and Editor of
Publications

Dear Mildred.

The above makes a good carbon. Now let's get down to business. Frankly, I doubt if Dr. M. will say yes. The M. B. G. is getting broken every day, and Dr. M. even says now, "if we publish in 1941." However, there are several things on hand, and I can't see how we can help ourselves. I just took your letter up

To Dr. Greenman, and maybe he will be impressed enough to vote for you. Will see

What's news? Well, I've just come back from N.Y., Boston, and points N., E., and W. Cassius was at the N.Y. Bot. Gard, and one P.M. I went with him to have coffee with the staff. And what a staff! That evening Albert Smith asked us to his house to a party. In the course of the evening you were spoken of, so was Geyze, Hutton, Bob, etc., and with that Mr. Alexander broke out in praise and wonder at the students trained by Dr. Greenman; I just told Dr. G., and ^{do you know} what he said? "Piffle"! Then I visited the

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Indians and the Allen Kalmukis in Boston. Got a little dirt, but not exciting enough to write on paper. The N.Y. Bot. Gard. and the Arb. were both quite bee-hivish and make our Garden seem very simple and European in tone.

K.T. Liverman was here. Last week - drat - I missed her. But she had a grand ^{Caribbean} ~~Caribbean~~ cruise and liked all the places I did. Did Cassius write you that they are expecting a little "dividend" in December? Eugenia Peters has the same expectation for November, and is leaving in August. And our nice Rus Sibirsk is down in the Tropics playing with niggers. Taddy and I feel like bereaved parents, a like ladies of Oxford that just stick around and act as a welcoming committee all the time.

Getta quit. Bring Jane around to see us. Lots more news which will be forthcoming with my next letter.
Love
Nellie

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Steinhart Aquarium

#182

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
Sept. 18, 1930.

Mildred E. Mathias,
Missouri Botanical Garden,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Mildred:

How is this for "tit for tat"? And since you didn't give me your new name I shall be reduced to addressing you "Mathias" until I learn. It is indeed good to learn you are to be in California this winter and I certainly hope to see you again and frequently (for having once been here you will surely stay and become a most ardent Californiac!).

But to get down to business. You inquire about work at the wild flower garden in the south where I was. I shall give you a short history of my connection with it which will indicate to you that I am not the proper person through whom to approach the institution for employment. On Dr. Jepson's recommendation I went to the garden in 1927 as "resident botanist". For the summer all went fine, Mrs. Bryant, the founder, being much occupied building a country place on the garden-rancho----the Rancho Santa Ana. The following winter I was engaged at the University of California at Los Angeles as assistant in Botany. Mrs. Bryant and I had a couple of very unpleasant encounters and only because I was reduced to full-time work the following year (I had resigned my place at U. C. L. A. thinking I could return to Berkeley for graduate work in 1928-29) did I ask her for the place. Since she had been unable to obtain a botanist she was glad to have me. But we didn't get on together at all and we had many annoying arguments on many topics---development of the garden, conduct of the herbarium, collecting, food, hours of work, etc. She was giving me too much attention of the wrong kind and I didn't have sense enough to "clear out"! In Feb. 1929 she received a letter from Dr. Jepson which told her something she didn't like and having to reckon her chagrin on someone, I was the "goat", and I was "fired" and have never laid eyes on her since! Not that she didn't have reason to let me out for probably no one had ever before presented to her so forcefully and persistently her inadequacies! She has had a lot of trouble obtaining another botanist for the reverberations of ^{my} encounters sounded afar. I left in March 1929 and she has just this month engaged a young fellow who has his doctorate from Stanford, Carl Wolf. One of my contentions while I worked there, was that one man couldn't handle the whole job. Maybe she has changed her attitude and will give you part time work but I would suggest that you approach her through Dr. Munz. The ranch is inconveniently located for commutation from Pasadena, it being in the Santa Ana Canyon of Orange County, 12 miles east of Fullerton. But if Wolf is too busy to do all the determining, mounting, collecting, recork-making, report-writing, nursery-collecting that she expected me to do, perhaps you might arrange with the lady to do some of it in Pasadena! Please pardon this considerable detail over the matter but you will undoubtedly hear other versions of the story and you might as well hear mine too! I trust it has made interesting reading!

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

But for agreeable work I think Dr. Epling is the one most likely to help you. Each year he has part time helpers in the U. C. / L. A. herbarium and though it is small I think you will enjoy Eppie and the gang in L. A. tremendously. They are a great bunch and I love 'em all. I have heard recently that U. C. L. A. has acquired the herbarium of the defunct California Botanic Garden which was built up by Merrill and is largely oriental. If that is so there should be unlimited amount of work you can do. Since Eppie comes from Mo. Bot. Gar., Dr. Greenmann would be the one to write him for you.

A couple of years ago the Bot. Depart. of the Univ. of Southern California had work for a part time assistant. The department there hasn't an enviable standing but for work you might try it. Miss Midge (Martha) Hilegnd, U. C. L. A., did part time work there but she wasn't too enthusiastic.

Hitchy, et al., called on me one afternoon and it was good to see him so well and happy. I was glad too to meet Goodman, copartner in the "famous western expedition". I only regretted that they were here such a short time----not even over night!

Letters from Miss Eastwood in England report a most profitable and enjoyable visit there.

I am sorry that I cannot be of more positive aid in suggesting a position for you in southern California but I am afraid I am sort of out and away. However I hope you are successful in obtaining something you like with people who are congenial.

Sincerely,

John Thomas Howell
alias Tom!

Address: Mrs. E. A. Bryant,
3210 West Adams St.,
Los Angeles.

And I imagine that congratulations are order on your change of name----Please accept my heartiest good wishes.

Tom

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA,
Mar. 23, 1933

Dear Mildred Mathias:

Your letter has been received and after so long it was a real pleasure to hear from you again. I wish that there might be cause for more regular correspondence but it is only now and again that I work in our western Umbelliferae and scantly ever pursue things far enough to search out a problem.

Regarding Jepson's Rev. Umbell., it would seem that you have all that was published in Madroño, the five parts closing with *Cymopterus littoralis*. Doesn't that cover all our Californian parsleyes? I have been under the impression that it does, although I rarely use the work. If I am wrong and if I can help in any way, please let me know. Miss Eastwood and I look forward to your work in the N. A. Fl. We would be very glad to have you look over any of our material which you might wish to see if only you let us know in what group you wish the loan. Of miscellaneous material recently collected, I have a small fascicle collected in the Pacific Northwest a year and a half ago, and among more recent Californian collections I have several specimens of *Lomatium alatum* var. *purpureum* Jeps. from the type locality and the region round about. Of the latter I shall send you duplicates if you wish them when we have a general distribution of duplicates later this year. Meanwhile if we can arrange to loan you material, we would be delighted.

Yes, I had a glorious excursion to the Galapagos Islands and way points. In the Galapagos, Umbelliferae are rare. I regret I did not obtain the endemic *Hydrocotyle*---*H. galapagensis* Rob. but I was not able to go to the locality where it grows. The only two genera I obtained were *Apium* and *Centella*. There seem to be two species of *Apium* although I find it difficult to distinguish between *A. Anni* and *A. laciniatum*. The length of petiole seems so inconstant. A cursory examination of the *Centella* with Nannfeldt's revision seems to relate it to *C. asiatica* rather than to the species of the American mainland but the island material will require more careful study. Some of Nannfeldt's entities seem rather small taxonomically but they are certainly distinctive enough geographically. Just at the moment the Umbellifers and choripetalous relatives are laid aside while I struggle with pesky apets---the nettles, pigweeds, four-o'clocks, mistletoes and others. But it is fun to work with a circumscribed island flora that is as complex as that in the Galapagos.

Miss Eastwood and I are now publishing a small quarterly journal which costs but \$1.00 a year for subscription. We call it Leaflets of Western Botany and hope to make it an outlet for current botanical comment in the west. I mention it thinking perhaps the Museum Herb. might wish to subscribe. Sometime it might prove useful. And if in your work you wish to publish a short note or observation on a western parsley, Miss Eastwood and I would be delighted to hear from you.

So, placing at your call our collection of Umbelliferae, with all good wishes to you in your work, I am,

Sincerely,
Tom Howell.

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Dec. 15, 1933.

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C. E. GRUNSKY, ENG. D.

President of the Academy and Acting
Director of the Museum and of the
Steinhart Aquarium

Dear Dr. Matthias:

In answer to your call for material last spring, I am sending to you a bundle containing 45 specimens, 24 mounted specimens which Miss Eastwood & I would appreciate if you would determine for us, and 21 unmounted specimens which are for you to keep at disposal of as you wish. Among the mounted specimens is Miss Eastwood's No. 6230 which she believes to be undescribed but she wishes you to see it since it may be something or other that she has overlooked. Many of the specimens were collected this last June on a jaunt through the canyon country of southern Utah and northern Arizona. We were rather disappointed that we didn't find more Umbelliferae

than we did. I hope you will find the lots interesting.
The mounted specimens can be reported to us collect when
you have finished with them.

During most of the past year I have been working
on my stuff from the Crocker Expedition. I get along so
slowly. There are so many puzzles and so many matters
interrupt. Separately I am mailing you some of the results of
my recent efforts.

I wish that you and your husband lived in the
neck of the woods so that we could see you from time
to time! Mr Eastwood & I speak from time to time of the
pleasure of your one visit to us.

Sincerely, with best wishes for the holiday season,

John Thos Howell

Please correct any misdetermined unmounted specimens and let
me know what is wrong!

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA,

Jan. 15, 1934.

Dear Mildred:

I guess when last I wrote I had forgotten how I had been accustomed to address you! So "Dear Mildred" goes.

I am so glad you are pleased with the Umbelliferae which I sent to you and that you are finding them interesting. We shall value your determinations.

It is so good of you to contribute to our "Leaflets." Miss Eastwood & I are tremendously pleased and trust it will be done as you ^{would} wish. I am not sure whether your article will be published in the next number or the one following, but it will be out before summer. And thanks so much for subscribing. I hope you find the notes on our western plants interesting.

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Separately I am sending you leaflets from the beginning.

To authors we can only afford to give ten separate, gratis, and if more are desired the cost of printing is charged. As for dissemination, the magazine goes to nearly all the leading centers in this country and to Europe, as well as to S. Africa, New Zealand, and Australia. Please let me know if more than the ten are desired.

I have been writing on my Galapagos umbelliferous genus. I refer my Opuntia to A. laciniatum but that species appears scarcely specifically distinct from A. Annui. My Centella from the Galapagos appears as possibly new according to the scheme of Nannfeldt in Svensk Botanisk Tidning 18, 1924. pp. 377-426. Do you have any suggestions or ideas on the genera concerned?

Thanking you again for your name & subscription, I am, with all good wishes for the new year, Very sincerely yours,
John Thomas Howell - Torr!

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#186

C. E. GRUNSKY, ENG. D.
President of the Academy and Acting
Director of the Museum and of the
Steinhart Aquarium

May 17, 1934.

Dear Mildred:

Separately I am mailing to you the twenty-five extra copies of "Leaflets" which you wanted. They will cost \$1.00.

Included also are the ten copies you get as a contributor. We sent copies to Kew, Brit. Mus., Berlin, Geneva, Paris, and all the leading centers of this country except Field Museum. I tell you this so if it might make a difference where you send your copies.

Yours
It was a fine contribution and we are glad you thought of us. I hope it appears in print as you would have it.

Miss Eastwood and I have been to Oregon recently - mainly to study *Arctostaphylos* but we collected lots besides. We obtained a number of interesting umbellifers from n. Calif. & Oregon, most of which you will probably see when we get around to working on

them. As usual we are plenty busy so it may be some time.

I am still busy with the Galapagos things. Have given the Malvaese the once over but it's getting down to fine points that take the time! I wish I could write and tell you all about it but the mail closes in a few minutes.

Hope that all goes well with you, with kindest regards.

I am,

Sincerely,

John Thurston Howell — Tom!

Last year at the Salt Lake meetings of the Western Division of A.A.A.S. I met a delightful young fellow from your institution — Mr. Edward Graham — If he's about please give him my regards.

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#187
C. E. GRUNSKY, ENG. D.
President of the Academy and Acting
Director of the Museum and of the
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Oct. 20. 1934

Dear Mildred:

Your letter has come & the change of address been cared for. How wonderful it will be to live in a log cabin - I wish it wasn't so far away so I could visit you!

It will be quite alright for you to move the Academy specimens from Pittsburg to New York. And certainly we shall be very happy to have you compare whichever ones you want with types in Washington. With all the rich collections at your elbow in the east, I know you do not need further general collections, but I do wish it could be arranged so that our Acad. collections could be authoritatively determined. If the opportunity ever arises, remember we shall gladly pay postage! - and feel the richer by far.

I've been awamped! Since June I've been on the road every minute but gradually I am seeing my way through. Twice I had the privilege of collecting in ne. Calif. — Modoc, Lassen, Shasta & Siskiyou cos. — and I found a goodly number of Umbelliferae. I tried always to get duplicates for you; & shortly (i.e. before Jan. 1935), I hope to send off to you a set of them including duplo. from our Oregon trip of last spring. Have hope, the time will come!

I've a confession to make: I've been dabbling in our Californian Eryngiums. I even thought I might write a key to the group because I can't agree with G. & R. or with Japan — their disposition of things. Is Eryngium one of your pets? If so, I shall steer clear: in any event I shall certainly correspond copiously with you before anything is done. At that, nothing much will be done for a year anyway!

Last night I read Kreier. He's one of those great rare personalities which stir me to attempt better things. I wish you could have been with us. ^{P.S. (not that you need bettering!) — But you would be} (can thrill's more!

With kindest regards & apologies for such scribbling, I am,

Sincerely,
Tom Howell.

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C. E. GURNEY, ENG. D.
President of the Board and Acting
Director of the Museum and of the
Herbarium Aquaticum

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Dear Mr. Drake:

At last the bank has arrived when no longer could I put
off the annual distribution of deposits. In the past week I
have been at it, & when doing it, I remarked in one of the letters
for you. There on my 28 specimen list I hope you find the
interesting. As you look over them, please let us know of any
determinations on the list; & if you can not we reserve for
the specialists of our Calif. which are unexamined & which I
could not name readily, I shall appreciate it very much.
With very best regards to your wife, I am,
Sincerely,
C. E. Gurney, Jr.
Wm. Arnold.

WM. H. CROCKER,
President Board of Trustees
SUSIE M. PEERS,
Secretary Board of Trustees

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F. M. MAC FARLAND,
President of the Academy and Acting
Director of the Museum and of the
Botanical Aquarium

Nov. 19 - 1937.

Dear Mildred:

I have just bundled up 3 specimens of *Lomatium* for you: the one from Scott Mt. which you asked to see; one from the Trinity River Canyon which I believed to be the same; and one collected several years ago which has puzzled me greatly but which belongs to this relationship I believe. They all grew on (or near, at least, in the ^{case of the} Trinity Canyon plants) serpentine. I hope they will prove interesting and we shall appreciate have you remove them since L. Anatum no longer stands.

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It was exceedingly pleasant to see you again last evening and we feel terribly jealous of your friends who have been monopolizing your time for so long! Sometime during the winter I hope we shall be able to see you in S. F. — maybe some evening you will come over for the symphony again.

Had a long letter from Hitchy this morning. He and Evelyn seem to be well established in Seattle now and I believe he is quite happy. The Univ. of Washington should offer Hitchy the opportunities for work which he deserves — opportunities commensurate with his ability. He is playing around with herbs now — no small problem.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Tom Howell

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Feb. 2 - 1938

Dear Mildred:

Since last Thursday evening I have wanted to write to you to thank you again for the copies of "Lomatium" and to tell you that it looks good to me. With it we can begin to see "where we are at." You have entered a middle course admirably - avoiding the Charybdis of conservatism as shown more or less by Jepson for California and the Scylla of specific splitting as indulged in by C. & R. Your work promises to be most useful & provocative.

One reason I ~~wanted to~~ delayed writing is that when I did I wanted to include a report on the Lomatium from in Mendocino Co. I have studied it out with your paper and am convinced it ~~is~~ belongs to the L. Martindallii complex, differing most noticeable in the shape of the leaf-segments and in the form branches of the umbel. Apparently it has no timber, though none of the roots is really long enough to be sure. The habit is very low, scrubby. I think when you see it you will think it is new and I hope you will take care of it when "Leaflet" is honored with your next contribution which you suggested would be forthcoming in the not too distant future. Unless I hear from you I shall keep the specimen until you visit the Academy on the Englemann ferry I have looked forward to for a shamefully long time!

In working out the Mendocino plant, I was delighted

to see what a grand job you have done in straightening
up the L. martindalei mess. In the Academy we
have a specimen of Hall's 211 of the L. angustatum
type and you can imagine what an upset we have
in. I haven't time right now to straighten it all out
but I promise myself the fun in the near future.

Can you come over for Evyngium and include a
symphony concert in the same outing? If you would
like to do this, the following concerts are open for
Feb. & Mar.: Feb. 26, Goluboff, violin-prodigy;
Mar. 12, Lilly Losch, dancer; Mar. 26, Mischa
Elman, (you know him!). Let me know your wishes.

Your husband (so sorry - I can't remember his first name & I
can't call him "Mr. Howell"!) should come to the concert
too - he can join us at dinner time as he did last year if
he doesn't want to come out to the Acad. earlier.

Hope you can make a date! (Otherwise we shall be
glad to see you whenever you are able to come to S.F.)
I might add - we have seen so little of you in S.F., we are
really woe off the when you were in Pa. - when you
lived 3000 miles away, we did correspond more regularly!!!

Again many thanks for Linaria + sincere congratulations
on a most useful adequate + excellent opus.

As ever

Tom Howell.

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Mar. 25, 1938.

... what the enclosed seeds from an
be? I have spent a lot of time guessing
to *Persea* but can't learn which
transmitted mentions that it is like "dill
seed" but this has a "ginger-like" odor and a "clove-like"
taste. There was no information where it grew. If you can
guess + wish to let me know I shall certainly appreciate having
an "I am convinced with curiosity"!

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Best regards -

Sincerely,
Tom Howell.



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Mar. 25, 1938.

Dear Mildred:

Do you wish to guess what the enclosed seeds from an
umbellifer might be? I have spent a lot of time guessing
& think it may belong to *Percodanum* but can't learn which
of any. The letter of transmittal mentions that it is like "dill
seed" but this has a "ginger-like" odor and a "clove-like"
taste. There was no information where it grew. If you can
guess & wish to let me know I shall certainly appreciate hearing
on "I am convinced with curiosity"!

Best regards -

Sincerely,

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Amellum
1 sp. n.
Persea
gambelii

SEP 1, 20 1938
Dear Mr. Hoover,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. regarding the matter of the loan of the type of *Persea gambelii* to the University of California. I am sorry that I cannot do so at this time as the type is in the possession of the California Academy of Sciences and is being used for other purposes. I am sure that you will understand my position in this matter.
Very truly yours,
W. H. Hoover

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Sept. 2.

Dear Mildred:

This morning I found that in our hurry last night we had neglected to give you a bundle of *Amorpha* which you should have had. I wouldn't bother sending them to you except that included is the fruiting specimen of the plant from the Red Mt. region (No. 6131) which I mentioned specially to you. But I am sending the whole lot to you since yesterday you seemed ^{desiring} ~~wishing~~ to look over all of the year's collection. Hope you find something of interest. Will appreciate your correcting or taking the specimens already determined.

We enjoyed your visit yesterday and hope you will find your way this way again soon & often. — Very sincerely, as ever — Tom Howell.

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President of the Academy and Acting
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Aug. 15.

Dear Mildred:

Separately I am sending you a *Lomatium* which is common-looking in appearance but I don't seem to make it out. Maybe you will know it and send me a name so Mr. Rose can distribute a set of specimens. Unfortunately he is not here at the moment so I haven't the date of collection but I can obtain it if you wish it.

What a hectic life is that of a botanist! If only the plants would stop growing for a little while so we could catch up! Miss Eastwood & I are just crawling out from under our latest accumulation - specimens we collected on a hurried trip through Oregon & Washington the late half of June. For the most part we were too late for the umbelliferous end of the Cascades but we did obtain some interesting things in the moister places. Our facilities were too limited to collect

many duplicates unfortunately but later I shall send on any that
turn up.

How goes your work? In a family like the Umbelliferae I
can imagine there is almost work without end. I only wish
that you needed more material for study so that we could send
ours & have it determined critically!!

With best regards & wishes,

Most sincerely,

Tom Howell

P.S. Didn't we agree some time ago to call ourselves Melchior &
Tom? I hope so - if not, please pardon my best of intentions!

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Feb. 2.

Dear Mildred:

Your check for \$2⁰⁰ for Leaflets has been applied to 1939 + 1940. So, (unless we go "haywire" with our bills next fall), you won't receive one for a long time.

Delighted to hear that you are doing a bit of work. Use much restraint - don't overdo - keep ambition within bounds, - etc. etc.!!! When I was young (!), I was laid up with a nervous upset and the experience makes me appreciative of your feelings & desire to get to work. - If there is anything we can do to help you - even if it's typing, - let us know.

We hope the Eastwoods birthday party is as memorable as the occasion promises to be auspicious. If the ball started rolling by Mr. Chickering keeps going and gains momentum, we will some day have a real

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herbarium. If Miss Eastwood's dream takes form we shall have 10
times as much room as we have now. That much room would
make the Academy botanical plant comparable to the largest in
America. Anyway, we're all hoping awfully hard!

Best wishes to you, as ever,

Sincerely,

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Dear Medard:

On our trip to Death Valley Miss Eastwood + I found some interesting Umbellifers, the most exciting to us being Phellopterus purpuscens. If Jepson's det. of the plant from the N. Y. Mts. is correct, this is not a new plant for California but if Munz's interpretation of the situation is correct (i.e., that of both the plants from Custerberg + from the New York Mts. are both P. multivertus) then maybe we did collect a new one after all!

Also we have observed what we take to be Tomatum mohavense now with purple flowers, now with yellow flowers. All the descriptions ~~describe~~ ^{give} the flowers as purple. On our trip we collected

the purple + yellow-flowered forms growing together near
Olaoko. The petals do not have the kinky hairs
Japan parrots - ascribing to them.

We had a good trip & collected lots of interesting stuff.

Yours,
Tom Howell

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Pour M. M. & Mathias

Monsieur et cher Collègue ,

Au reçu de votre lettre , j'ai fait rechercher les 6 échantillons d'Hydrocotyle que vous avez besoin de voir pour votre révision du genre .Monsieur CINTRACT , notre photographe vous adressera directement les épreuves avec sa note .

J'aurais voulu pouvoir vous prêter des fragments de chaque type , mais les photographies vous montreront que c'était impossible .Vous trouverez dans cette lettre 3 fragments des espèces suivantes :

En communication {

- H. Bonariensis (Plée n° 127)
- H. Bonplandri (Weddell 382I bis)
- H. marchantioides(type de Gay).

Veuillez agréer , Monsieur et cher collègue ,l'expression de mes meilleurs sentiments .

H. Humbert

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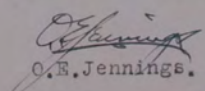
My dear Mrs. Hassler :

It is a pleasant surprise to know that you are to make your home in Pittsburgh thus adding another to our none-too-large group of resident botanists. I am much interested in what you say about desiring ~~me~~ a botanical position of some sort.

I am not exactly sure how we shall stand for the coming academic year at the University, but the chances of adding to the staff above the rank of Graduate Assistant I am afraid are not good, and, so far as we now know, those now with us will remain. Much the same situation holds at the Museum. At the University we expect to move during the summer to the new building, ^{our quarters being} about 25 stories up in the air! and I am somewhat "up in the air" now as to just how things are going to go. It might turn out that we need more help, depending on rooms and schedules, but I suspect that it will be otherwise. We shall have to devote everything we can lay our hands on to new equipment, etc., to begin operating in the new place.

I am very glad to know about this and will certainly have you in mind as matters develop.

Yours very truly,


O.E. Jennings.

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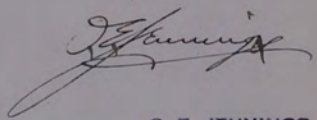
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My dear Mrs. Hassler :

Enclosed herewith are the loan slips for 1025 specimens of Umbelliferae sent on loan to you from the New York Botanical Garden. Dr. Merrill asks that you check the loan and sign and return the blue loan slip to him. If you need help in handling the packages, etc., feel quite free to call Mr. Darrah.

Things are going pretty well up here. Classes small, weather fine, students good workers. Have just finished the description of what I am calling a new species of moss from Canada.

Yours sincerely,



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