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RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

November 23 1932

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Doctor Fogg:

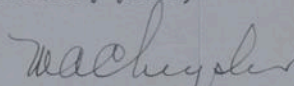
The hearing of your delightful lecture at the meeting of the Botanical Club has put me in the notion of asking you a question or two about botanizing in Europe. With my wife and son, I am planning on spending some weeks in Europe next summer, and would like to combine business with pleasure, as it were.

My attention has been drawn to the Alpine station conducted by Dr. Chodat at Bourg-St-Pierre, southwestern Switzerland. May I ask if you think it would be worthwhile for me to join up with this Alpine laboratory? I notice that the rocks in the Valais are granitic, and I should rather like to have a chance to look at the flora on the limestone formation such as occurs a little further north (Montreux). We are also hoping to take the Tour des Pyrenees; I am wondering whether you may have acquaintance with this region and whether you might be able to suggest any of the stopping points on that tour as being specially suitable for making side excursions for the purpose of study of the flora. I notice we are billed to make a night stop at Caunteret, and this looks to be pretty close to the Pyrenees.

I am anxious not to trouble you unduly in this matter, but would be very greatly obliged to you for suggestions that may occur to you.

Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you again when I am able to attend a club meeting, or when I come over to consult Mr. Leeds about some puzzling ferns, and with best regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

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from Fogg



UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
THE COLLEGE

Botanical Laboratory
38th St. and Woodland Ave.

Philadelphia

Dec. 10, 1932.

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

My dear Doctor Chrysler:

I am afraid that I can be of very little help to you in the matter of making suggestions for your European trip, at least so far as France is concerned. I did very little botanizing in France, staying mostly near the urban centers, and my only look at the flora was had in Perigord in the region where those very remarkable prehistoric caves occur.

From what I have heard of Chodat's station I think you will make no mistake in visiting it if you can. Chodat gave us an illustrated account of it a few years ago when he visited the University, and ever since I have been longing to see it with my own eyes. It must be at once a beautiful and instructive garden.

Since you are interested in the calcareous formations could you not make an effort to see the Dolomites? Dr. Macfarlane has often told me he considered these the most interesting botanical localities in all of Europe. The greatest Dolomites are, of course, in the Tirolese Alps, but there are are others in Switzerland and in France.

If you are planning to journey from southwestern Switzerland to the Pyrenees (about which I know nothing, altho my wife considers them superb) or vice versa you will probably pass thru the Maritime Alps, which are very thrilling botanically, with many endemics. And, as you will doubtless traverse Provence and may be near Arles, why not make a special effort to visit Camargue, that remarkable salt island, formed by the delta of the Rhone, with its unique flora, suggesting that of some our alkali deserts?

I am sorry that your plans do not include Italy, for there I might be able to give you some assistance, but I am certain that you will have a gorgeous time and I wish that I were going with you. Many thanks for your recent Cycadeoid reprint and best wishes for a marvelous summer. If I can possibly be of the slightest use in following up the few suggestions I have made, please call upon me.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

October 28 1933

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

It was with real regret that I found it impossible to attend the recent meeting of the Botanical Club at which you were to speak. Unfortunately an oral examination detained me at home. I was anxious to find whether you had discovered any stations for Gentiana saponaria in addition to the ones mentioned in Stone. I have never seen the plant growing in the field, and am anxious to not only see it but photograph it in color and add a specimen or two to our herbarium.

It does not seem to grow in this part of the state, but I quite expect there are a number of places in Stone's "middle district" where it occurs. Any information you may be able to furnish will be appreciated. I wonder whether you have seen in the wild any specimens of G. porphyrio with two or more flowers. Outside of Miss Elizabeth White's garden, I had not seen these extra vigorous plants until this fall when I found a number of them at Atsion.

May I also bother you in connection with a reference which I would have tried to trace if I had been able to come over. In Vol. 1 No. 3 of the Trans. Proc. Bot. Soc. of Pennsylvania there appeared a paper on Epiphegus. Fortunately I have a copy of this number. In this paper the writers speak of a paper by Smith on Aphyllon (or possibly Conopholis). Unfortunately the authors of the Epiphegus paper failed to include a bibliography. Would it be too much trouble for you to see whether my surmise is correct with reference to Smith's paper? I would like very much to get hold of that paper of Smith's in connection with a piece of work now being done by one of our graduate students.

(viz., that this paper by Smith appeared in Trans. Bot Soc Pa)

We had a very delightful summer in Europe and were able to see something of the vegetation of the Pyrenees, also the French and Swiss Alps. In spite of the handicap of our being tourists, I was able to press and send home five hundred specimens for our herbarium. Last week I addressed our biological seminar on the topic "Visits to some Botanical Gardens of Europe". One of these gardens was at the Alpine Laboratory directed by Professor Chodat and is at Barg St. Pierre. This proved to be a very delightful place for study and exploration, being situated only about thirteen kilometers from the St. Bernard Pass. Hoping that you had a profitable vacation, and with kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

M. A. Chrysler

M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

Strud. Parasitism of Aphyllon
d. uniflorum

Nov. 6, 1933.

Dr. W.A. Chrysler,
Botany Department,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

You certainly missed very little by not hearing my talk on Gentiana, for I doubt whether I said a single thing which you do not already know. The genus is, of course, a small one with us, but one which is interesting to the phytogeographer. Of the seven local species (omitting the freak occurrence of G. flayida in Bucks Co.) two are distinctly coastal plain and the other five are essentially piedmont.

As to the occurrence of G. Saponaria, which has the range of all typical coastal plain species, I might say that we have it from a few more localities than we had when Stone's book was compiled. I have no knowledge of its occurrence in Middlesex Co., but in Monmouth Co. we know it from at least four localities (Keyport, Eatontown, Shark River & Farmingdale). Southward it is frequent, except, of course, in the Pine Barrens, and we have specimens from at least two dozen stations. The flowers of this species differ so in color from those of G. glauca that it is indeed strange that the two should have been so long confused. If you fail to find the plant close at home, I should be very glad to lead you to some very fine stands of it next year during the blooming season.

The paper by Smith on "Parasitism of Aphyllon uniflorum" appeared, as you suspected, in an earlier number of the Transactions and Proceedings of the Botanical Soc. of Penna. (Vol. 1 : 111-121). Our librarian tells me that unfortunately we have no duplicates of this number, but that if you desire to borrow our bound copy of the Proceedings just have your own librarian write requesting the loan of it.

I am happy to learn that you had a pleasant and profitable summer and certainly hope that we are to have the privilege of hearing about it at one of our Club meetings this winter.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

November 10 1933

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

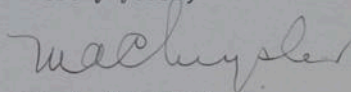
In accordance with your kind letter of the 6th inst., I have asked our library to request the loan of the volume of Transactions and Proceedings of Botanical Society of Pennsylvania. We will be very glad to do this, for I am anxious to have this graduate student read Miss Smith's paper at an early date.

Thank you very much for your notes on gentians in South Jersey. Of course we have a few sheets of *G. saponaria*, but I am anxious to see the plant and if possible get a few color photographs. So if both you and I should be in this neighbor during the next flowering season, it would give me very great pleasure to join you on a hunt for the plant.

It occurs to me that your herbarium might be a particularly good one for me to consult in connection with the naming of some of the plants I obtained last summer in the Alps. I am well aware of Professor MacFarlane's expeditions, and I might be able to match up some of the troublesome specimens with plants that you have. Some of the Pyrenees plants are giving me special trouble because they are not described in the books on Swiss flora. So I would appreciate it if you would be good enough to offer me the hospitality of your herbarium at some convenient time. For instance, I might come over to a meeting of the Botanical Club and stay in Philadelphia during Friday. I would also like to show the ferns to Mr. Leeds, and perhaps I could kill two or three birds with one stone.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

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Nov. 20, 1933

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
Dept. of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

You most assuredly are welcome to visit our herbarium at any time and to stay as long as you wish! As you suggest, we have here the Macfarlane Swiss Tyrolese and other European collections, and you ought to be able to work out some of your problems with the aid of our material.

Incidentally, it occurs to me that you might be interested in having some of Dr. Macfarlane's Swiss duplicates. We have no full sets left, for the collections were widely distributed some years ago, but there is still some material on hand and I should be glad to offer you the most complete series available.

I wonder if you will be so good as to tell me the present whereabouts of the collections of the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Stations. I am very eager to locate the source of several records in Stone's Jersey Flora which are cited as "(NB)". Are these specimens deposited with you or does the Station maintain a herbarium?

If you are planning to attend the Botanical Club meeting this week, please do not bother to answer this letter. By the way, we have a spare room at home; if you are spending the night in town why not afford us the pleasure of putting you up? I could drive you home after the meeting, then we could go straight to the University Friday morning.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

November 27 1933

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Botanical Laboratory
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

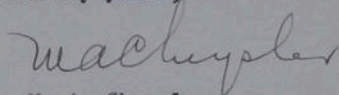
I wish to thank you most cordially for the various things you did for my comfort and advancement during the recent visit to your city. Through your kindness my visit was made to count for a good deal in the short time which was at disposal. After leaving you I was able to get Mr. Leeds' valued help in checking up the identification of the ferns collected in Europe. At your herbarium I was able to put tags on a number of the puzzling specimens, and now feel that I have made considerable headway.

We are looking for a visit from you at your convenience, and shall be delighted to offer you such facilities as our cramped laboratory affords. All of the Britton plants are readily available. You could also make up your mind whether it would be worth while for Miss Tees to come over and examine our mosses.

It occurs to me that in answering the question of your student with respect to anatomy of ferns, I should have placed among the first things to be read Professor Jeffrey's Anatomy of Woody Plants. This is about as up-to-date a treatment as will be found outside of the special papers.

It was a great pleasure to make the acquaintance of Mrs. Fogg and your lovely little girl. Will you please convey my best regards to Mrs. Fogg. With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

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RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

March 19 1934

Dr. John M. Fogg
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

May I thank you for the reprints which came to hand a few days ago, and which I am very glad to have. One of these I had already read in Barton. Perhaps there are some of my papers that you would care to have, and I am looking up such as are still available.

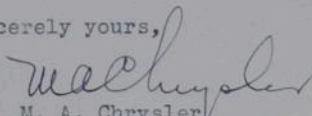
We are hoping that the better driving conditions and warmer weather may soon bring you and Long on the errand of which you spoke when I last saw you. Although the herbarium is at your disposal on any day, I am anxious not to miss your visit. I find it necessary to go into New York City about once a month in connection with the Torrey Bulletin so I would be glad to have you drop me a line warning us of your coming.

Glad to say that I have had a letter from Mr. Witte in reply to the one I sent him a few weeks ago. I suggested that he might like to come over and see what facilities we have for taking care of his collection. I also suggested that if he did not come before the collecting season opens, he might feel like driving out with us, for instance into our Watchung Mountain region. I am quite hoping that he may find our herbarium a suitable place in which to deposit his collection, which ought to be quite useful to us, and also placed in a really suitable repository.

Afraid that I will not be able to get over to the Club meeting this week, but it is quite possible I may drive over during the Easter recess -- I still have a few puzzlers from the European collecting, and would appreciate an opportunity to compare them with your specimens.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

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RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

May 14 1934

Dr. J. M. Fogg
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

We surely were hoping to see you and Long before this, but I can well imagine how busy you are. The wheeling is good, but one is apt to turn to the field rather than to herbaria. We shall be happy to welcome you however when you are able to arrange the trip to New Brunswick.

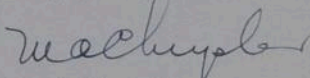
I suppose you have resumed your work on the coastal flora of the Lower Delaware. Do you suppose it would be too great an additional burden for you to collect an extra sheet of the plants which you find? We would be very glad indeed to have additional material from this part of the state, which is so much more accessible to you than to us.

We are preparing according to our conversation, to collect for you whatever seems interesting from the Watchung region, and hope that this might be found as a suitable exchange. But I am quite prepared to hear you say that you are already collecting as many duplicates as you can handle. So you must attempt no more than is practicable under the circumstances.

I have been unable to get over to Philadelphia on account of pressure of work during the concluding weeks of the session. I am planning to leave right after Commencement on a westward trip, taking in the Toronto meeting on the way, and spending several weeks at the Wyoming camp where I am hoping to meet Dr. Aven Nelson. Would be pleased to hear of your summer plans.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

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The Kauffman House

Wm. F. Wilderson

PROPRIETOR

OAKLEY, KANSAS

24 Aug. 1934

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Dr. J. R. Fogg,
U. S. P., Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Doctor Fogg:-

Just a note from this obscure "city" to let you know that we are on the return journey of a somewhat extended trip into Wyoming, N. Mex. and Calif., and that in the course of a couple of weeks I expect to be at home, and disposed to suggest to you that, if entirely convenient and agreeable to you, we arrange a trip to one or more of the places where Gentiana saponaria grows. I should much like to secure a color photograph, as well as add a few specimens to the meagre outfit at present in our herbarium. Perhaps you have forgotten being rash enough to suggest something of the kind nearly a year ago! I would be glad to hear from you at New Brunswick, in case this finds you at home. By the way, I

collected G. Parryi at an altitude
11000 feet yesterday. In the Medicine
Bow range in July G. elegans was
as common as weeds. We also found
G. affinis, and I saw a large patch
of Primula Parryi. So I sure have been
'seeing things'.

I trust that Mrs Fogg and the most
interesting kind are spending a pleasant
summer. How goes the project in
S.W. Jersey shores? I was astonished
at the nature of the strand vegetation
in S. Cal. - no grasses to mention,
but Abrovia (2 spp) and Mesembrym!

With cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,
M. A. Chrysler

Sept. 13, 1934.

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Your very interesting letter of August 24th greeted me on my return from a "collecting-vacation" in the Adirondacks and greatly increased the sense of guilt which I have long labored under thru my inexcusable failure to answer your earlier letter of so many weeks ago. You are indeed tolerant to keep me on your list. In my own defense I can say only that I seem to have been more than usually occupied: first, summer school for six weeks; then, the mountains; since our return, a new addition to the family - another girl; and sandwiched in between, as many trips to south Jersey as I could possibly make, resulting already in over a thousand numbers from Salem County.

Yes, indeed; I shall by all means be happy to lead you to all the Gentiana Saponaria you may wish to see. If you will let me hear from you upon your return as to just when you will be free to make an excursion I shall be glad to enter into further arrangements. My notebook informs me that on October 6th last year the plant was in full bloom at Middleton, but I do not think we have to wait that long to see it in good condition. Unfortunately the places where I know it best are from Gloucester Co. southward, altho there is plenty of it north of there. However, if you are willing to come as far as Philadelphia and let me meet you with the car, I know we can go very quickly to the right spots. Perhaps we shall find something else to interest you as well.

I believe I shall have some duplicates for you from the Delaware shore. I nearly always collect in three - one for Penn, one for the Phila. Botanical Club and one for Gray, but in some cases I have taken even more copiously, so there are sure to be some extras.

I shall certainly look forward to seeing you and hearing more about your trip which, from what little I gather, must indeed have been an exciting and profitable one.

Very sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

September 17 1934

Dr. John M. Fogg
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

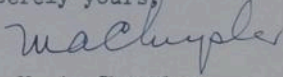
Thank you very much for your cordial letter of 13th inst. Let me first of all extend my hearty congratulations on account of the accession to your family group. If the second ~~edition~~ addition is as lively and promising as the first one, you are going to have an interesting time when both of them get a little bit older. Please extend my best wishes to Mrs. Fogg.

Now with respect to going over to see the gentians, - I shall be indeed happy to meet you at Philadelphia if you could find a Saturday a convenient time, or possibly a Friday. The week-ends have been extremely unfavorable for field work so that of course any arrangement must be a conditional one. But what would you think of Saturday 29th inst.? If the weather should be favorable I could meet you sometime during the forenoon if such arrangement would suit your convenience. By that time I certainly expect that my troublesome, ^{now} asthma will be over for the season, otherwise I have to sit pretty tight. If you will be good enough to drop me a card letting me know how you feel about the 29th, we could make arrangements accordingly.

The western trip certainly was one of the greatest treats that I have had. Our herbarium ought to be the richer to the tune of nearly one thousand sheets, and I hope that my attitude toward plant geography has improved at least fifty percent. It is one thing to hear about the piñon-juniper zone, etc., but quite another to pass from one of these to another on the highway as we did again and again.

With many thanks for your kindness in connection with the collecting and with cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

P.S. I have just noticed that on Sep. 23^d, Bassett, Hanoverton is to lead Toney Club along Mullica R., looking for gentians.

Sept. 24, 1934.

Dr. H.A. Chrysler,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

My plans have been in such an upset state for the last two weeks that it has been almost impossible for me to make any arrangements in advance. However, I had just decided that this coming Saturday (the 29th) would be entirely convenient, and was about to write you to that effect, when a conversation with Mr. Long completely altered the situation.

Due to conditions at home, I have not been in the field for over three weeks, but Long has been out frequently and he tells me that it is still too early to see Gentiana Saponaria in good condition and suggests waiting a week or two. In this event I should be even freer to make plans in advance than I am at present.

Since you mention Friday and Saturday as your best days, I should suggest that you select either the 5th or 6th or the 12th or 13th of October, any of which will be agreeable to me. Incidentally, if you are coming by train you could shorten your trip by getting off at one of the north Philadelphia stations, instead of going all the way in town. Thus, if you travel on the Penna. R.R., get off at North Philadelphia; if on the Reading or B. & O., get off at Jenkintown. In this way we can save a few minutes in actual running time and even more by avoiding city traffic.

Rest assured that any arrangement you make will be entirely satisfactory with me, just drop me a line to say when I shall meet you and where, and I shall be on hand.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

1 Oct. 1934

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Univ. of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.,

Dear Doctor Fogg:-

Thank you indeed for your kind letter of 24 ult. I am sure that the experience of yourself and Mr. Long will be an entirely safe guide. If we could to an equal extent depend on the weather man, it would be easier to plan. But if you find yourself as much at liberty on Fridays, suppose we make a try for Friday 5 instant; then if the day should be rainy we would still be able to fall back on Saturday, or the following week. Think I would come over in my car, and plan to make an early start; in this case would it not suit you better if I meet you at the Museum between 9 and 9.30 on Friday morning? Perhaps we could proceed in my bus, under your guidance - just as you like. I fear that my colleague Johnson will be unable to come, for he has an overflow in the General Botany course, and can hardly leave the whole course in charge of relatively untrained assistants. It is curious how the weather appears to have settled into a 7-day cycle, so that all the week-ends are rainy. But I simply can't get away at any other time, so we will have to deal with the weather when the time comes. So, unless I hear from you to the contrary, I will plan to look for you at the Museum between 9 and 9.30 Friday of this week.

I am wondering whether there might be an opportunity for me to meet Mr. Witte while in your vicinity? You see I have by no means forgotten your suggestion with respect to his collection. I judge that he would rather like to see our quarters, and judge as to the sort of home which would shelter his collection if he were to favor us with the gift. I would of course be glad to arrange a visit to New Brunswick.

Hoping that all goes well with you at home and office, and with cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

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RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
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October 10 1934

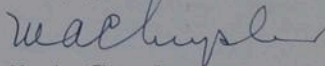
Dr. J. M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Fogg:

After leaving you on Friday we had a trip free from events and were able to reach home about six o'clock. Since then I have developed a couple of those color plates, and greatly regret to say that the plates were undoubtedly too old and hence the results are very disappointing. I had hoped to be able to send you one. But just the same we had a very successful trip and I will surely be able to get the picture next year. I truly appreciate your kindness in taking a whole day from your work.

Hoping to see you and also Mr. Long and Mr. Witte at an early date and with kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

March 5 1935

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Botanical Laboratory
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

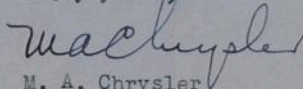
Yesterday I took advantage of the favorable weather to drive over to Camden and spend a while looking at Mr. Witte's collection. I am free to say that it was a real delight to see such a careful and thorough piece of work as he has done. I judge that he must have in the neighborhood of 7000 sheets, perhaps more. A number of these have, I notice, come to him through your kindness.

I have suggested to Mr. Witte that we would like to have him come over to New Brunswick and see what provision we could make for his valuable collection. I hope that it will not be long before he finds a chance to come over. Let me say again that I very heartily appreciate your kindness in bringing our herbarium to the attention of Mr. Witte in this connection. These plants would make a very definite contribution to our outfit of plants of this state, not to speak of the plants from other regions. So I thank you very heartily for the favor you have done us.

So much of the time yesterday was consumed in looking at the plants that I knew there would be no chance to get over to your campus, otherwise I might have brought over the little package of plants from the Watchung which you will remember I promised. But surely I will be able to get over to some meeting of the Botanical Club before long, at which time I could bring along the specimens.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

March 17, 1935.

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
Dept. of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

It was indeed good of you to write telling me of your visit with Mr. Witte. I am glad to hear that you were favorably impressed by his collection and am only too pleased to feel that I have had some part to play in steering it in your direction.

If all goes well here, and if it is not going to inconvenience you in any way, Long and I shall probably spend next Monday, the 25th, at Rutgers, looking up ancient records in your herbarium. Please do not hesitate to let us know if this does not fit in with your schedule. We shall be very little bother to you, as we shall both have long lists of species to investigate; we shall need merely to be turned loose in front of your cases. I have invited Mr. Witte to accompany us, but he prefers to wait until some later date. I fancy that we shall arrive in the neighborhood of 10.30, unless I am underestimating the time required to drive over from here. There is certainly no need to answer this letter, except to tell us not to come. If we find you busy when we arrive, I shall at once look up Dr. T.C. Nelson, whom I wish to consult on some salinity matters.

I am looking forward to seeing you and to receiving the package of plants which you have for us. I shall probably bring along some duplicates which I feel may interest you.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

March 18 1935

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Botanical Laboratory
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

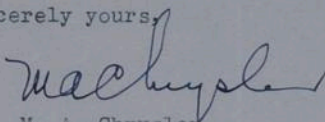
Dear Doctor Fogg:

I am indeed pleased to hear from your letter of 17th inst., that you and Bayard Long have set an early date for your long-promised visit to Rutgers. Let me assure you that the date, 25th inst., suits me perfectly, especially in view of a light teaching schedule. So I will be on the lookout for you at New Jersey Hall, which you will find on Hamilton Street facing Queens Building and near the Library. The latch string is out, and I hope your visit may yield the data which you desire.

Sorry to hear that Mr. Witte will not be with you on that day, but I will look for him a little later.

Looking forward to seeing both of you, and with kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
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DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

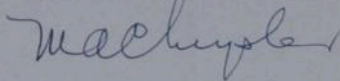
March 25 1935

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.
6511 North Eighth Street
Oak Lane, Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Doctor Fogg:

It is with great concern that I learn of the sorrow that has overtaken you. Allow me to extend my heartfelt sympathy on this sad occasion. It is kind of you to take time to write me when you have so much else to occupy your thoughts. Please feel free to come on either of the days which you mention, the 1st of April is sure to find me free, because it is the beginning of our Spring Recess, but the following week would suit me quite as well. So I will look for further word and in the meantime

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler

Professor of Botany

April 3, 1935.

Dr. H.A. Chrysler,
Dept. of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

I realized, of course, on Monday that I was having a very good time botanically as well as otherwise. But it was not until I got home that I actually found out how successful the day had been. In checking over my records I learned that I had found over 40% of the things which I had looked up in your herbarium. This is indeed a goodly proportion and I certainly feel richly rewarded as well as greatly indebted to you for your kind hospitality.

The package of specimens which you gave me proved indeed interesting and I am certainly grateful to you for preparing such a valuable series for us. According to my count there were 55 sheets in the bundle, which number I have credited to your account. As soon as I can get around to sorting out our duplicates I shall send you a lot of a hundred or more Jersey specimens. After seeing your collection I believe that I can set aside for you the kind of material which will prove of interest to you. Please save us all the Somerset County plants you can spare. We have practically nothing from that part of the state (or Middlesex, either, for that matter) and shall be only too happy to receive a strong representation.

Again let me thank you for your many kindnesses which made our day such a pleasant and profitable one.

Very sincerely yours,

John W. Fogg, Jr.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

April 8 1935

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

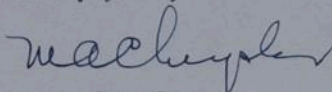
It was kind of you to write as you did in your favor of 3rd inst. I am very glad that you found that it was worth while for both of you to make this special trip. We shall always be glad to have either or both of you visit us, even though we cannot make it as much worth while as I find it when I visit you.

If you are pleased with the specimens from the Watchung region I shall be only too glad to furnish you with some others as the result of the coming collecting season. To this end I have kept a list of the ones already furnished, and I will be on the lookout for others that might be of interest.

We found a pair of rubbers which we think belong to you. At any rate I am planning to bring them with me when I visit your city on Friday, and shall leave them at the local herbarium of the Academy, thinking that they belong to either you or Long. I am afraid that our trip on Friday may be too hurried to make it possible to include the University.

Hoping that I may have the privilege of accompanying you and Mr. Witte on some Monday during the coming months, and with most cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

May 6 1935

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

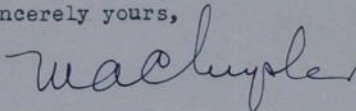
Dear Doctor Fogg:

In connection with a piece of morphological work which constitutes the problem which I have set one of our graduate students, we are in need of material for the study of the floral axis of as many species of Magnolia as possible. Around here we can of course get virginiana, ^{also} stellata, and Japanese forms such as kobus, but so far we have not secured grandiflora, umbrella and others of our southern species.

Remembering your connection with the Arboretum recently acquired by the University of Pennsylvania, I am wondering whether you may have flowering specimens of some of these species, and if so whether we could arrange to get a small amount of bud material for the purpose of microscopic study. Any steps we could take to lessen the labor of collection, we would be glad to undertake or to pay for. Any co-operation you may find it possible to afford in the present instance will be greatly appreciated.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

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May 10, 1935.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

We shall indeed be happy to cooperate with you in the matter of supplying available material of Magnolia from the campus and the Morris Arboretum. The species which we have growing here are: Benuдата (conspicua), liliflora, acuminata, macrophylla, grandiflora, tripetala (Umbrella), hypoleuca and, of course, Soulangiana and its forms, most of which are already past flowering.

If you will instruct me as to the method of collecting and the amount of material desired by you, I should be glad to take steps toward procuring any or all of these species as they come into bloom. Some of them, like macrophylla and grandiflora flower only sparsely and we might be unable to get you more than a bud or two from each. Let me know in what stage you wish them collected and in what fixative, if any, you wish them placed. It may be that I can also get you Fraseri, altho we do not have it on our own grounds.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

May 13 1935

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

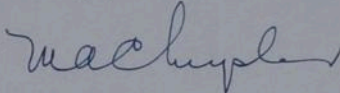
Dear Doctor Fogg:

Thank you very sincerely for your kind response to my inquiry concerning buds or flowers of magnolias. It will be a great advantage to us if we can secure some of this material which I have already explained is vital to the completion of the problem which our student has undertaken. So I certainly hope that we are not too late to get the material. You need go to no trouble with respect to Soulangeana and its forms, for they are well represented in this region, including what is generally called Kopus. But we are particularly anxious to get hold of those southern species such as macrophylla and grandiflora, likewise acuminata, tripetala, and denudata, liliflora and hypoleuca.

Noting what you say about the scarcity of certain of these species, we would be very glad to secure any number up to say half a dozen buds of the species names above. In view of the short distance, I think it would be less trouble and quite suitable if the material could be wrapped in damp moss and simply mailed to us, and if there would be time, we should be very glad to drive over and give what assistance we could in the collecting of the material. Perhaps though this would not help you after all. I am only anxious to save you any unnecessary trouble. Please be sure to let me know what I can do to help out in the matter. By the way we would be only too pleased to receive similar material of M. fraseri.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
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May 17 1935

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

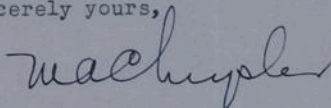
Dear Doctor Fogg:

We were delighted to receive this morning the package containing buds of M. tripetala. May say that Mr. Roever has already put the material in pickle, so that it ought to come out in good shape. We are indeed grateful to you for your kind cooperation in this matter, and will do our best to deserve your kindness. I notice there are some big stamps on the package, so I am enclosing enough to pay this little item at any rate. But of course we realize that this is a small part of the business.

I am hoping that it will be possible for me to join Mr. Witte on Monday morning and take the trip down to Penn's Grove which you have kindly recommended as a favorable place. Everything depends on the weather of course, but in case we are able to make the trip, it will be only too pleasing to us to discover you when we reach the spot.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

May 22 1935

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

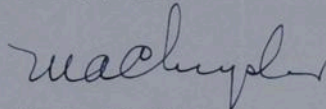
Following the material of Magnolia tripetala which came to hand last week is your note of 17th. Referring to your question as to age of buds which we prefer, would suggest that the moderately young ones would be easier to section, and appear to show the vascular structures in a sufficiently advanced stage. You see if the buds are too old they have to be prepared by the celloidin method involving difficulty in getting a series. But we can make use of material of various ages.

Sorry to hear that the borers display such bad taste in their field of operations.

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We were sorry not to join up with you on Monday, but had a pleasant and profitable trip none the less. I attempted to find that place between Woodstown and Riddleton, but got started on the wrong road from Woodstown, which appears to me to be a rather confusing place. When I have a guide with me I do not ~~take~~ such close heed to the roads as when I am on my own responsibility. But we found a pretty good piece of woods below Yorktown. No doubt this would be too early for finding the Hottonia, and perhaps we could impose on your good nature to get more explicit directions for a later trip.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

from Fegg

May 27, 1935.

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

I am indeed glad to hear that the material of Magnolia tripetala was of some value to you. I fear I have disappointing news with respect to some of the other species. Two weeks ago I journeyed to the venerable arboretum started by Humphrey Marshall at Marshallton, Pa., only to learn that the fine specimen of M. Fraseri, from which I had hoped to be able to collect buds for you, had been cut down since my last visit there two years ago. Then, our own specimens of grandiflora have been so badly hit by the last two winters that it will be a marvel if they pull thru at all, let alone bloom. I am wondering whether it is too late to get Dr. Ivey Lewis, at the Univ. of Va., to collect these for you; grandiflora is of course perfectly hardy at Charlottesville and blooms profusely. I still expect to be able to furnish you with acuminata, hypoleuca and macrophylla from the Morris Arboretum.

It was indeed a pity that we missed connections last Monday. I had told Mr. Witte to turn right just outside Penns Grove and wait for us along the river shore road. We waited there for you until about 12.30 then, feeling that perhaps you had changed your plans, started working slowly northward along the beach, looking back every now and then to see if you were following us. The day was productive of several important additions to the flora of the county and the sight of Salix longifolia in full fruit would have done your heart good. Perhaps you can come this way again soon and we shall have better luck.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

June 6 1935

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

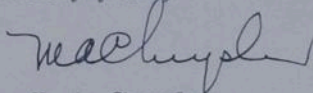
My dear Fogg:

This is a tardy acknowledgement of your great kindness in sending that box of magnolia buds which came to hand the latter part of last week. Let me assure you that the material was promptly taken care of by Mr. Roeber. I have been waiting to have him tell me the amount of postage, but he has started on a soil erosion project so that I may not see him for some days. So I will stick in some stamps anyway, hoping that it will be enough to cover your expenses, and meanwhile express our very hearty appreciation of the trouble you have taken. You will understand that unless this was a question of research I would not think of asking such a favor of you. If now Doctor Lewis can come across with the buds of the bull bay, we ought to be in pretty good shape for material.

You may be interested in hearing that I am planning to drive around the Gaspé Peninsula during the coming summer. I recall that you have done some work in that region, and no doubt your exploring was far more thorough than anything I can undertake. But it has occurred to me that you might have a few suggestions as to what would be good centers, so that I might establish a base and make trips on foot from this and later pass on to another. Perhaps however your northern work was confined to Newfoundland, but if you should have any hints for me, I would be very grateful.

Wishing you every success in your studies on Salem County,
and with cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

from Fogg

July 13, 1935

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

There was a point in your last letter which bespoke an early response, and I certainly owe you an apology for having delayed so long in my reply. I have been in the field almost continuously ever since school closed and such time as I spend at home appears to be given wholly to changing driers!

Unfortunately, I can give you no first-hand information about the trip around the Caspe. My only knowledge of the peninsula has been gained from a boat. Six years ago we steamed down the St. Lawrence (ardon me, nine years ago), stopping at such ports as Bic, St. Anne des Monts, Riviers du Loup, etc. My botanizing was limited by the time of our boat-stop, but I saw and collected enough to make me want to go back some day. At that time, 1926, the road around the Caspe' was in very poor condition, but I understand that at present it is a real highway and that the trip offers no obstacles whatever. I hope I am right in this; it comes to me independently from at least three sources.

I hope that you have a glorious trip. Perhaps you will keep us in mind if you have any extra duplicates. Also, please think about letting us have an account of yourself at a meeting of the Phila. Botanical Club. We never even heard about your western trip, you know. I shall be in charge of the programs this year and warn you that I shall bother you again in this regard.

My best to Mrs. Chrysler and yourself,

Sincerely yours,

HATTIE-BAY HOUSE

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BIC, 30 July 1935Dr. J. M. Fogg, Jr.
U. S. P., Philadelphia, Pa

Dear Doctor Fogg:-

Your kind letter was forwarded, and reached me at the Univ. of Maine, where I was showing my pictures of European alpine gardens. You see that by this time we have reached some of Fernald's famous stations - perhaps indeed you have yourself been here. I am hoping to pick up a few things, and am here 2 weeks earlier than on a former visit.

Glad to learn from your letter that you could use plants from Gaspé, and shall be indeed glad to keep you in mind as I wander. You may be interested in the *Epipactis* which I got in Quebec on Sunday (*Ophioides*). *Habenaria pubibrata* also was frequent. I have been giving

a little attention to *Rhinanthus*, and seem to have found 3 species - can certainly furnish you with *R. Kyrillae*.

We spent a few days at Forham, N.H. and climbed Washington, traversing the so-called Alport Garden, in which the conspicuous plant was *Senecio Peckii*, that beautiful and interesting endemic. No doubt you have this.

I hope your work in the summer session may soon come to a close and that with your family you may enjoy a vacation! Wish you were here so that you could enjoy the bracing air - and so I could have the benefit of your knowledge as well as experience.

Please give my regards to Mr. Witte if you see him soon.

Best wishes. In a few days, it is "on to the Gaspe!"

Cordially,
W.A. Chrysler

Sept. 30, 1935

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

I am writing to ask you whether you would consent to giving us a talk at the October meeting of the Philadelphia Botanical Club. The date will be Thursday, the 24th.

All last year I kept hoping we might be able to get you to tell us of your western trip the preceding summer. Somehow our programs worked out differently, chiefly thru my desire to schedule several local talks in sequence, but I have't forgotten, nor have several of the other members, that you are way behind in the things you have to tell us.

Perhaps you would rather talk on your Caspè trip. If so, all to the good. I merely mentioned the western trip thinking you might not have this summer's material worked up for presentation.

In a very short while I shall have ready for you a set of duplicates from southern N.J. I do hope you can some day let us have more of that interesting material from Somerset or other northern counties.

I trust that you had a wonderful summer and that you and Mrs. Chrysler are enjoying the best of health. Hoping to hear that you can be with us on the 24th, I am,

Sincerely yours,

John W. Spong, Jr.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

October 2 1935

Prof. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Botanical Laboratory
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

This will acknowledge receipt of your favor of 30th ult., also one of July 13 which was forwarded to me while we were in Maine.

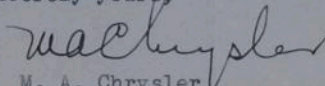
Now with regard to speaking to the Club on the 24th inst., if you care to have me speak on the western trip, I see no reason why this date would not be suitable. As you suggest, I have not had time to do anything with the Gaspé material. I realize that one or more of the members of the Club are probably more familiar with both these regions than I am, but suppose you put me down for the following topic: "Origin of Rocky Mountain Floras". Perhaps this sounds too pretentious, but I have been particularly interested in the differences between the plants of the real Rockies and the Sierra. So if I do not hear from you to the contrary, I will plan to be with you on the evening of the 24th.

We will indeed be glad to have a sample of the plants representing your interesting work in South Jersey. I have read the account you wrote in *Bartonia*. I have some things saved for you, but right now everything is jammed up at the beginning of the year.

We had a very interesting trip in Gaspé, etc. Here is a sample:- I collected 11 species of the good old genus Habenaria. I shall bear in mind your willingness to have Gaspé specimens - under the circumstances it was not possible to collect a great many duplicates but I certainly have some.

Hoping then to see you soon and with best regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

from Fagg

October 7, 1935.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Good; I am delighted that you can come! I like your title and rejoice at the prospect of hearing a remarkable flora treated in a dynamic manner.

I neglected to ask you whether you would have slides or specimens or both. If you will be so kind as to drop me a postal in case you intend to show slides, I shall then notify the operator in time for the meeting.

If you do not have to return to New Brunswick the night of the meeting we shall be only glad to have you stay at our house. We have a larger place than we had when you visited us before, and we shall try to see that the young ladies do not disturb you too early in the morning.

I am sending you a reprint of my Lilaeopsis paper under separate cover. You may be sure that there will be material of this genus in the shipment of Jersey things which I am preparing for you.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
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October 9 1935

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Botanical Laboratory
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

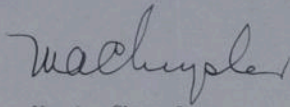
Dear Doctor Fogg:

Referring to your kind letter of 7th inst., would say that I do have a rather small number of slides which should help to make some of the points clear. So if you will be good enough to have the operator prepare the lantern, I will be obliged. I intend to bring also a considerable number of specimens which I will be glad to hang on the wall in the accustomed place. Sorry that I omitted to mention these matters when sending the title.

Now with respect to staying overnight,- I will be frank enough to say I was planning to spend a while in the library of the Academy on Friday morning. I might even threaten to come over to your herbarium and check up on a few plants. It is ever so kind of you to offer to have me stay with you, but I hate to give you and Mrs. Fogg any bother. As soon as I can get a breathing spell, I plan to label up the stuff I collected last summer, and only then I am afraid can I get at that Gaspé material which you said would interest you. I am pretty well choked with course work, but it so happens that Friday is a light day.

With much appreciation of your kindness,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

Oct. 11, 1935

Dr. M.A. Chrysler,
New Brunswick,
N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

In continuation of our exchange agreement, I placed in the mail for you yesterday a package containing 150 sheets of New Jersey plants for you herbarium. These specimens are all of my own collecting. Many of them are common things, but may be of interest to you as representing localities which are new. The bulk of the material is from Salem County and since I shall no doubt burst into print some day about my work down there, these plants will have such value as attaches to the basis of published records.

I am glad that you can stay over the night of the 24th. I shall be free the following morning and can take you wherever you wish to go.

Tomorrow I go to join Fernald on Cape Charles, where we shall have 4 or 5 days collecting in a region that has been little studied. If the weather holds we ought to have an exciting trip.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 24th, I am,

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

October 17 1935

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

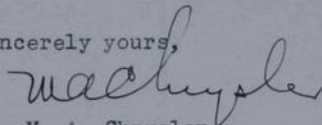
This is a slow acknowledgment of your great kindness, but I wish now to say that the package of plants which you so kindly sent last week has come to hand in excellent condition. I haven't had a chance to do more than glance over a few of the specimens, but I have at any rate found the Lilaeopsis. This will enrich our State collection, representing as it does an area from which we have comparatively few specimens. I remember that you discovered our poverty at the time of your visit last spring. We will have these mounted as soon as possible, awaiting the big annual sort-up.

I wish that I could say that I am now ready to return the favor, but work presses very heavily this fall and I am making very slow progress with the writing up of labels for the collections of the season just closing. But if you will have patience, I will be sure to return the favor in due time.

Whether I drive over to Philadelphia a week from today or take the train depends upon the weather. At any rate I am getting together the material for the talk on western floras. If you should happen to see Mr. Witte, you might suggest that I would be very glad to have him present at the meeting - I believe we are entitled to invite a guest.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

25 Oct. 1935

Dear Doctor Fogg:-

Allow me to thank you and Mrs. Fogg for your very kind entertainment and the good way in which you looked after my comfort. Looks as though I needed somebody to stand behind me all the way, for unfortunately when I reach my office I do not find my bunch of keys in the accustomed (or any other) pocket. Would you do me the kindness to look around your study and see whether I may have emptied them out when hanging up the trousers? I am also writing Doctor Pennell, thinking that I may have left them at the Academy - very stupid of me whatever happened. If you don't find them, do not take the trouble to write.

Hastily but cordially,

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from Fogg

Dec. 1, 1935

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

As you perceive, I have taken advantage, with a vengeance, of the offer made in your last letter to substitute silence for a negative reply in the matter of your keys. I do hope you have long since located them for we found no trace of them here.

I have postponed writing you until the place at home was subjected to a pretty thorough house-cleaning. It now looks as though the last chance has been eliminated of their turning up here.

May I take this opportunity of thanking you once more for your kindness in coming over to talk to us. I hope that when you get your Gaspé trip worked up you will favor us with another visit.

Please keep us mind in the matter of duplicates when the time comes for sorting out your season's "catch". We profited greatly by the series which you sent us last year from Somerset County and can use a great deal more material of the same nature. We are lamentably weak in specimens from northern New Jersey.

I am,

With best regards to you and Mrs. Chrysler,

Sincerely yours,

CHRYSLER, M. A.

March 4, 1940

Dr. M. A. Chrysler
Department of Botany
Rutgers University
New Brunswick, N.J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

I was greatly interested in the reference given in the current number of the Virginia Journal of Science, to your having found Isatis Tinctoria. Have you by any chance a duplicate of this plant, which you can spare? As you know, I have done considerable work in Virginia and I would like very much to know what this species looks like so that I may be on the lookout for it there this summer.

Incidentally, I am wondering how you feel about the matter of exchanges. I have from time to time laid aside specimens of New Jersey plants, with you in mind, and wonder if you are still interested in receiving them. For my part I am more than desirous of having duplicates which you can spare, especially at this time when, thanks to a large staff of W.P.A. workers, I find it possible to have incoming material mounted quickly.

I suppose that, as usual, you are going to some distant and interesting place this summer, and hope you will have a profitable and exciting time. I am returning to the Mountain Lake Laboratory in Virginia, to teach and to try to complete my check list of the plants of Giles County, Virginia.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Asst. Prof. of Botany.

JMF:H

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

March 7, 1940

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

Although I have not seen the copy of Virginia Journal of Science to which you refer, I quite remember collecting Isatis along the road way of that new skyline drive which runs southward from Front Royal. Inasmuch as collecting is forbidden on this road, I merely snatched a piece when nobody was looking. Professor Fernald was the only member of the botanical group who seemed to recognize the plant, but his identification matches up perfectly with the pictures in Hegi. So the best I can do is to suggest that when you are on the road to the Mountain Lake Laboratory you might feel like going along this drive (in first half of June) and see whether you too can collect a specimen without getting into trouble. Very sorry to have no duplicate for you. Not far south of Front Royal the plant was very abundant on the stirred-up soil by the road.

It is indeed kind for you to bring up the matter of further exchanges. We are already considerably in your debt, which makes your reference a even more gracious one. I have been wondering whether you would be interested in any of the plants which I collected last summer in Nova Scotia. This will probably depend on whether Fernald has already supplied you with a set from the collections made on that expedition in 1919 and '20. I am afraid that we have little else at the present moment to offer, and in case you are not interested in the N.S. outfit, I may be obliged to suggest that during the coming summer I may collect something more interesting. Since you are good enough to inquire, I may say that I am seriously con-

Prof. J. M. Fogg, Jr.
M. A. Chrysler

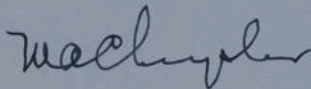
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templating a trip to either Costa Rica or Porto Rico or possibly Jamaica, for I am anxious to get material for some morphological work on ferns. When I am in a new region I am apt to grab anything that looks interesting, so there may be something that will also interest you. I am glad to hear that you are to spend some time at Mountain Lake Laboratory, which situation I know slightly from the meeting last June of the Botanical Society of America.

Sorry to have been a slacker with respect to the Philadelphia Club during the present season. I understand that you have had some very interesting programs, and it is a pity to miss them, but my increasing deafness has led me more and more to use my eyes rather than my ears.

Please give my kind regards to Mrs. Fogg, and believe me, as ever

Yours sincerely,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

March 18, 1940

Dr. M. A. Chrysler
Department of Botany
Rutgers University
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Mr. Chrysler:

Many thanks for your recent letter. I shall be on the lookout for your strange mustard on my way to or from Virginia this coming summer.

I should be delighted to receive a set of your Nova Scotia plants which I feel sure would not duplicate the material from there which Professor Fernald has already supplied us. I am laying aside New Jersey specimens for you and later this Spring will be sending you a package.

I hope you will have a splendid summer in the Caribbean and will return with a wealth of material for study. If you get to Philadelphia this Spring, please let me know as I should be glad to see you.

With warmest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

J. M. Fogg, Jr.
Assistant Professor of Botany

JMF:H

THE TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

OFFICE OF THE EDITOR
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY, RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

30 April 1940

Dr. John M. Fogg Jr.,
The Herbarium,
Univ. of Pa., Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Doctor Fogg:-

This morning I shipped to you by parcel post a package containing the Nova Scotia plants in which you expressed an interest. There were only about 60 of them, so I took the liberty of adding 40-odd plants of more or less interest (I hope!) from New England and New York. You see it was as usual difficult for me to collect and dry very many duplicates in N. S. but at any rate you have a sample of the more interesting plants which I saw.

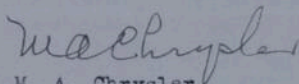
If you find the plants satisfactory, we may be out of debt to you, if my count is correct - please inform me if I am mistaken. (A good many "ifs", you notice!)

Mrs. Chrysler and I may perhaps be able to join in with you on the occasion of the trip to Mrs. Henry's estate, but I am not at all sure, for night driving is not entirely safe for me. At any rate I would quite like to see the garden.

You may be interested in hearing that on 5 June Dr. Roever and I are to sail for Jamaica and Costa Rica, primarily in quest of material to be pickled for morphological studies.

Hoping that everything is going strong with you, and with kind regards to Mrs. Fogg as well as your good self,

Cordially yours,


M. A. Chrysler

May 2, 1940.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Thank you so much for the package of specimens which arrived yesterday and which, according to our account, consists of 121 numbers. While I have not yet had a chance to examine these plants carefully, I have glanced through them sufficiently to realize that they are very welcome as an addition to our Herbarium.

I hope before long to have another shipment of New Jersey specimens ready for you and will try to get it off before you leave New Brunswick in June. If I am unable to do this I shall hold over until next autumn when you will be back at the college.

Your plans for the summer sound very exciting and I wish greatly that I were going with you. However, I shall be busy at Mountain Lake again during July and shall spend the rest of the time exploring and collecting in Pennsylvania.

Wish best wishes for a profitable and enjoyable trip and warm personal regards to you and Mrs. Chrysler, I am

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.
Ass't. Professor of Botany

JMF/LV

April 16, 1941

Dr. M. A. Chrysler
Department of Botany
Rutgers University
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

At last I have got around to preparing a shipment of duplicates for you. There is going forward by prepaid express a package containing 138 sheets; 50 of them mounted. While these are mostly from New Jersey, I have included a few from other states such as Maine, Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia. It is my hope that this series may help to fill in some of the gaps in your collections.

I have had in mind all winter writing to ask you if you could not again favor us with a talk at the Philadelphia Botanical Club. We have so much enjoyed you in the past and I know that you have had experiences the last two or three summers which we have still to hear about. I have purposely not bothered you because the weather has been so poor that I thought you might not wish to make the trip to Philadelphia during the winter months. However, May 22nd is an open date and if you care to come at that time, we should be delighted to hear from you on any subject of your choice. I should, of course, expect you to stay overnight with us if that meets with your convenience. Do let me hear from you soon and believe me to be as always

Sincerely yours,

John H. Fogg, Jr.
Asst. Prof. of Botany

JMF/am

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

April 19, 1941

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.
Botanical Laboratories
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

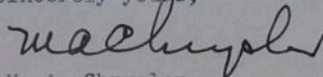
Your kind letter of 16 inst., was closely followed by the package of duplicates which you have been good enough to send. I have merely glanced at the plants, but can assure you that they are welcome for our collection. I think it would be only fair if I should furnish you with fifty sheets of mounting paper to compensate for the ones which you have sent with plants mounted on them. Although our little mapping system is by no means as thorough as the one which you have undertaken, we still think it is useful and are glad to be making progress in it.

I notice this puts us again in your debt and I am wondering what manner of plants might appeal to you in way of exchange. We are also in debt to Doctor Adams. When you next write will you be good enough to let me know whether he is still connected with the Arboretum, because I will probably have a few duplicates of woody plants from the Central American collections of last summer.

Now with respect to your kind invitation to speak to the Club on 22nd of May, I see no reason why I should not come to you on the date mentioned. Since I am to speak to the Torrey Botanical Club quite soon on my trip to Central America, it would be much less troublesome to me if I were to take the same topic when I come to you. So will you be good enough to let me know whether the following topic would be acceptable - "Botanical Explorations in Costa Rica". If you do not mind, I will include some observations on Barro Colorado Island - I would prefer to be guided by what you think would be most novel to the members of the Club. The talk would as usual be illustrated by slides and specimens, in case you are able to furnish one of those machines that projects 2x2 slides (that is, like the popular Kodachromes). I should really like to be assured as to the possibility of showing these 2x2 pictures.

I am very sorry not to have attended meetings of the Club during the present year but it has always seemed impractical to come over. With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

April 22, 1941

Dr. M. A. Chrysler
Department of Botany
Rutgers University
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

I am glad that the package of specimens arrived safely, and hope you will find them of some value.

Please do not think of supplying us with mounting paper, as the few mounted sheets which I gave you are merely ones which had been mounted years ago, and have been withdrawn from the Herbarium because they were not needed there.

In sending us duplicates, about which there is incidentally not the slightest hurry, we are only too glad to receive anything which may be available. Mr. Joseph W. Adams, is still my Assistant at the Morris Arboretum and is glad at all times to receive duplicates of woody plants.

I am delighted that you find it possible to speak before the Club on May 22, and am more than pleased with the topic which you have selected. This is a subject which will interest a great many of our members, and Mr. Thomas in particular, having spent some time in Costa Rica, says he can hardly wait for the day to come. It would also be interesting to have you tell us something about Barro Colorado, concerning which I imagine most of us know nothing. We can readily furnish a projector for 2 x 2 slides.

Please remember what I said about spending the night with us, if that fits in with your plans.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.
Asst. Prof. of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

17 May 1941

Dr. John M. Fogg Jr.,
Univ. of Penn., Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Doctor Fogg:-

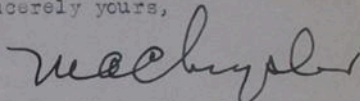
I have been slow in acknowledging your kind letter of 22 rd ~~inst~~, but have been waiting until one or two matters should clear up. Meanwhile I ~~writes~~ ^{feel} that no notice of a meeting of the Club for 22d has come to hand. Probably this merely signifies delay in sending out notices, so I am still taking for granted that you are expecting me to appear next Thursday, 22d.

Concerning your exceedingly kind invitation to stay over night with you, let me express my best thanks to Mrs. Fogg and yourself. But this time one of my colleagues, Benj. C. Blackburn of the Ornamental Horticulture Dept., is anxious to come over with me, and we have arranged to drive together, returning the same night so as to be ready for the duties of the following day, which you know are pretty numerous at this time of year. But I thoroughly appreciate your kindness just the same.

I am depending on you to furnish projection apparatus for the 2 x 2 lantern slides, so that I may illustrate by means of some kodachromes, etc., taken by Dr. Roever, who accompanied me last summer.

Hoping then to have the pleasure of seeing you in a few days, and with best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

March 26, 1942

Professor John M. Fogg
Macfarlane Hall
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Doctor Fogg:

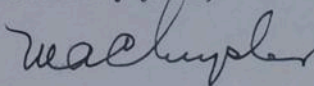
Professor Johnson and I had a very pleasant visit a few days ago at the home of Mr. Witte. While we were there he showed us a paragraph in an important document (as he called it) to the effect that his herbarium is bequeathed to the Department of Botany of Rutgers University. Although we are not making any public announcement of this matter at the present time I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my very hearty thanks for the part which you have taken in this matter. I by no means forget that the original suggestion came from you. I really think that this fine collection will not only be fully appreciated but will also be fully utilized in an institution such as ours. We spent several hours in the pleasant occupation of looking over some of his specimens from far away places. He was at New Brunswick a few weeks ago and took a look at the facilities which we now have for the care of plants.

Mr. Witte happened to refer to one of those large sheets entitled "Alphabetical list of natural orders according to Engler's Syllabus der Pflanzenfamilien", and I told him that our copy was getting so soiled that we are ashamed of it. He seemed to think that you could put us in the way of securing another copy. So if you can tell me where such a sheet may be procured, also the other sheet giving the families in numerical sequence, I should be greatly obliged. To tell the truth we would really like to have a clean one in the very near future.

I have been picking out some plants for you and Doctor Adams from my Costa Rican gatherings, and hoped at this time to be able to say they were packed and ready to send. But they have not quite reached this stage, although I quite expect to send you a package very shortly.

Trusting that all goes well with you and your many enterprises and with best regards,

Cordially yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

March 31, 1942.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Thank you very much for your interesting letter of March 26th. I am glad that Mr. Witte found it possible to visit you and am pleased to learn that he continues to think of Rutgers as the recipient of his splendid collection.

I believe that we still have on hand one of the large indices to families to which you refer. I shall be glad to send you one of these provided only that I can locate a piece of mailing tube sufficiently long to accommodate it. Unfortunately, we have no sheet in which the families are arranged numerically.

I shall be glad to see a set of your Costa Rican specimens when they are ready for sending.

With warm personal regards and a hope that you may find it possible to attend a meeting of the Club this spring, I am

Sincerely yours,

Associate Professor of Botany.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
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DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

April 17, 1942

Dean John M. Fogg, Jr.,
The Herbarium
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Penna.

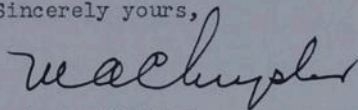
Dear Doctor Fogg:

Your usual generosity is shown in the package containing two copies of the tabular view of families which you have so kindly sent. I was anxious to have a clean copy, because yesterday we had something of a celebration in view of my approaching retirement and appointment as Research Professor. So now you see why I was so eager in this matter. We are going to have the new copy put behind a sheet of celluloid if we can get one big enough, for this is a grimy spot.

I have not meanwhile heard from you how much we may owe for these copies, and so will at any rate enclose postage which you have paid on the package. We greatly appreciate your kindness in supplying us with these charts.

Hoping that you can keep pace with the double duties which you are now performing, and with cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

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RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

June 1, 1942

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
The Herbarium,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

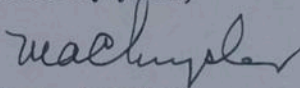
Dear Doctor Fogg:

At last I have been able to get together a few plants which had been put aside for you and they are going forward today. You will find them a truly miscellaneous lot to the number of a few over a hundred. Some of them seem to have an interest which I hope you may share. There are something over thirty specimens of woody plants, and I do not know whether you will feel like turning these over to Doctor Adams. At any rate I know that he has expressed a desire for such things and I do not quite know what the relation may be between your general Herbarium and the special collection over at the Arboretum.

By way of gossip I may mention that Rutgers has acceded to my request to be retired. They have generously requested me to stay on as research professor, so that I am happy to retain the friendly associations which for some years have existed in connection with such institutions as yours.

With best wishes for the success of your projects and with personal regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor of Botany

June 5, 1942.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Administrative duties have been pressing so heavily upon me recently that I have not yet had time to examine carefully the interesting collection of plants which you sent us a short time ago. Please accept, nevertheless, my deepest thanks for your kindness in thinking of us and know that these plants constitute a valued addition to our collections. I hope early in the autumn to be able to make a return shipment including more material of the sort which you desire to have.

I was delighted to learn of your plans for the future and hope that you will have many years of happy and productive activity before you.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

From Fogg

September 19, 1942.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

I am wondering whether you have received, from any institution with whom you exchange, a set of Clokey specimens from Nevada. We acquired a collection of this material a year or two ago from the New York Botanical Garden. Then, unfortunately, in a set of exchanges from Missouri, there were included more than 200 of the same numbers. This duplication was not realized until a good proportion of the second lot had been mounted. It then became evident that we had in many cases two sheets of an identical number. It occurs to me that if you have not received any of these plants, they would constitute an interesting addition to your herbarium, and I would be glad to send them to you if you so desire. One hundred and nineteen have already been mounted and strapped; 7 have been mounted but not strapped; and an additional 83 (making 214 in all) are unmounted because we suddenly became aware of the duplication involved. It is all interesting material and I should be happy to see it in your hands.

You probably know that the herbarium of the late Witmer Stone was left to us. It is, of course, especially rich in New Jersey material and contains many duplicates. The entire collection has been mounted (some 14,000 plants) and I am now going carefully through it, sorting out the duplicates and correcting or supplying the identifications. Would you be interested in receiving a set of mounted duplicates from this collection when I have had the opportunity to assemble them?

I trust that you have had an interesting summer and that you and Mrs. Chrysler are enjoying the best of health.

Sincerely yours,

Associate Professor of Botany.

"Twine Gables", Gorham, N.H.
22 Sept. 1942

Dear Doctor Fogg:

Kindly permit me to reply informally to your most welcome favor of 19 instant, which has reached me where I am spending the later weeks of the fallon season. Probably you know this charming region near the Presidential Range.

Your suggestion in re Cloney collection does interest me, in spite of the fact that we received a couple of years ago a partial set of very so sheets. As I recall, these were fine specimens, but they are now distributed in the regular cases, so I do not know what species are represented. May I suggest that if you have sufficient help, at your convenience you might be willing to have a list made, a few dozen of the sheets you have at disposal, so that upon my return to N.B. I could check the list with our specimens and find whether new plants are represented. Would this be reasonable?

I certainly am glad to know about the disposal that Stone made of his extensive collection. Some time before his passing I approached him on the possibility of our securing some representatives of his valuable collecting in S. Jersey. He regretted having disposed of his duplicates and offered to collect some plants for our herbarium. Probably some of the plants sent by O.H. Brown represent joint collecting with Stone, who by that time had become rather feeble.

We are just as desirous of having a representation of Stone's notable collecting as we were earlier. Yet I hesitate to merrily say "yes" to your generous offer, when I realize that at present we do not have

much if anything to offer as a suitable exchange,
 I wonder whether Mr Witt's collection may include
 some Stone's plants? The gas and rubber situa-
 tion has of course seriously cut down on even local
 collecting, let alone prevented extended trips. There
 are a good many plants mentioned in Stone's work on
 S. Tensey, which we seem not to have a single spec-
 imen, for instance some of the legumes. Now if you
 can make anything out of this lodge fodge, well and
 good. You have been such a wonderful help to us in
 developing our collection that we simply cannot
 impose on your generosity. Of course we agree
 that the Rutgers Herbarium is one of the most desirable
 places for deposit of N.S. plants - you would be
 interested in seeing our little collection of 36,000
 sheets as now installed in a room of its own. Do
 come over and see us!

With hearty wishes for your success in the
 enlarged field of usefulness, and sincere thanks
 for your continued cooperation,

Cordially yours

Walter A. Chrysler

P. S. Having now no teaching duties, I plan to
 remain here a week or two longer. Mrs. C. wishes
 me to reciprocate your kind greeting. C.

October 1, 1942.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

It was indeed a surprise to receive your letter from Gorham and I was delighted to learn that you were in that lovely little town, of which I have the most pleasant recollections. My wife and I were there the year of the total eclipse of the sun and we did quite a bit of mountain climbing during our stay.

Concerning the Clokey collection, I should indeed be glad to follow your suggestion of submitting a random list of species for you to look up. Frankly, however, I am very eager to dispose of this material as it is taking up valuable space in our cases. If you have no objection, therefore, I should be inclined to forward the entire lot to you with the understanding that, as time permitted, you would go through and retain all of those sheets which you need. Any which were already in your collection might either be returned or could be used by you in exchange with someone else. I am not in the least concerned with your inability to send us plants in exchange but am much more interested in having these specimens in the hands of someone who can use them. That goes also for the stone specimens, a set of which I shall gradually accumulate and send you.

I trust that upon your return to New Brunswick the atmosphere will be entirely free of pathogens.

Sincerely yours,

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

October 12, 1942

Dean John M. Fogg, Jr.,
The Herbarium,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Dr. Fogg:

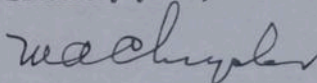
Upon my return to New Brunswick I find your good letter of 1st inst. How can we possibly object to the kind suggestion which you make about sending the plants from the Clokey collection? I should be indeed glad to check these over and include in our collection the numbers not already represented - with this understanding, that we forward to you the appropriate number of sheets of herbarium paper. We have standardized on the "Gray Herbarium" paper, and I hope this will be satisfactory to you.

Dr. Johnson and I are delighted to hear you say that we may eventually receive a set of the Witmer Stone plants. It would appear indeed natural that such plants should be represented in what practically constitutes a State Herbarium, even though it masquerades under another name as you will see from ~~the enclosed sheet~~. *Chronica Botanica*

With all good wishes,

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Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor Emeritus

Enc.

October 13, 1942.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Your letter of October 12th must have crossed in transit two packages sent by pre-paid express, containing some of the materials mentioned in my earlier letter. Specifically their contents are as follows:

214 specimens of the Clokey Nevada Collection
(126 of them mounted; 88 unmounted)

129 New Jersey plants from the Witmer Stone
Herbarium

There will be more of the Stone specimens coming your way later, but since I was sending the Clokey material I decided to include these which had been sorted out for you to date.

As I said earlier, I hope you will feel at liberty to make any suitable disposition of this material. I should be glad to have you just credit it to our account with the thought that at some future time you may be able to repay us. Please do not bother to send mounting paper since we have many thousands of sheets in stock - enough to last us certainly for several years.

Sincerely yours,

Associate Professor of Botany.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

October 15, 1942

Dean John M. Fogg, Jr.,
The Herbarium,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

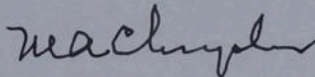
Dear Dr. Fogg:

The two packages containing Clokey and Stone plants came to hand soon after my writing under date 12th inst. There has not yet been time to check up the Clokey specimens but I am sure that the most of them are not already represented in plants earlier received. I am glad to see also a number of isotypes, which naturally make the collection more valuable. It may be so difficult for us to make a prompt response in the way of exchange that our conscience would feel a little easier if we chalked up to your credit at least 126 sheets of mounting paper. Of course the paper is a small matter compared with the mounting of the plants.

The plants from the Witmer Stone Herbarium are exceedingly welcome, and we are indeed pleased to have you say that more of them will eventually come to hand. You certainly have been one of our Herbarium's best friends, even if your name does not occur on very many of the labels. I do not see how you can have sufficient energy to carry on the duties which have been heaped upon you. I can only hope that you have some efficient help.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Professor Emeritus

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK NEW JERSEY

9 Nov. 1943

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

Dean John M. Fogg,
The Herbarium,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Fogg:-

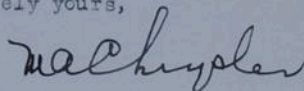
Quite lately I have resumed a study of that very variable Botrychium lanuginosum, a native of India and adjoining regions. In 1938 I was able to make some notes on all of the material at Kew and the British Museum. Since the study has assumed something of a statistical nature, I am anxious to see all available specimens. Would it be too much trouble for you to take a look through the folders at U. of P. Herbarium, and let me know in case you find even one sheet? I have already canvassed the situation at the Academy, so please do not bother to look there (they have several sheets). In case you should find any sheets, I shall try to arrange a visit at the time of one of the Club meetings. Had hoped to join you at the time of Mrs. Henry's address, but the weather was vile, and at any rate gas is scarce.

Last summer was a rather forlorn affair for me in the way of field work; Mrs. C. and I spent the pollen season on an island in Quoddy Bay (Deer Island), and of course the season had largely waned in that latitude. The plants were northern in aspect, but not by any means arctic, and so were quite familiar. How is your State project coming on? I imagine that lack of man-power must have held you back.

Last spring I was able to spend a few hours with Mr. Witte, and was quite thrilled by the fine collection of Hawaiian plants that he has secured from Dr. Degener. Witte speaks of his collection as the Pennsylvania branch of the Rutgers Herbarium, and he devotes what time is left after farm work is accomplished. I cannot forget that it was through your kind recommendation that Witte was led to consider our herbarium a desirable place in which to lodge his splendid collection; I am indeed grateful for your generosity.

With cordial wishes for successful work in these troublous times, and with regards to Mrs. Fogg,

Sincerely yours,



M. A. Chrysler
Research Professor

December 9, 1943.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

I must seek your forgiveness for having delayed so long my answer to your letter of November 9th. I have been more than usually occupied with various Army programs these last few weeks and have had almost no opportunity to visit the herbarium. I am now in a position to inform you, however, that our collections appear to be totally lacking in specimens of Botrychium lanuginosum or of any sheets that may be conceivably referred to this species.

I was interested to learn of your summer activities and am glad that you found it possible to avoid the hay fever season. My own field work was reduced to nil through a combination of circumstances and the work on the State Flora will simply have to wait until conditions permitting further field study are again possible.

I am indeed glad that you were able to visit Mr. Witte for I am sure that he considers himself practically a hermit devoid of nearly all botanical contacts. Incidentally, I had a very pleasant visit from Degener, who spent the night at our house several weeks ago. I had not seen him for many years and I am afraid that we spent most of the night in attempting to catch up in our conversation. He is a queer duck but I am very fond of him and hope that conditions will soon permit his return to Hawaii and the South Pacific.

With warm personal regards to you and Mrs.

Chrysler, I am

Sincerely yours,

Associate Professor of Botany.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

15 June 1945

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
The Herbarium,
Univ. of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.

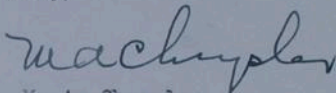
Dear Doctor Fogg:-

In the course of rounding up information concerning the distribution of N. J. ferns, I seem to have covered the ground as far as New York is concerned, and would like to proceed to the good "hunting ground" of Philadelphia. Knowing that your duties keep you away from the Herbarium a great deal of the time, I am writing to inquire whether it may be possible to arrange for access to the Herbarium for the purpose of checking up stations on your N. J. sheets. A date within the next week or so would suit my opportunities for absence from New Brunswick.

Sorry not to have been able to see more of you during the past year. Let us hope that your administrative duties have not altogether prevented pursuit of your productive work.

With best wishes, and hoping to have a glimpse of you soon,

Sincerely,



M. A. Chrysler

June 18, 1945.

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Due to the fact that I was not in my office on Saturday, your communication of June 15th has just come to my attention. I note that you propose visiting Philadelphia during the second week and hasten to assure you that I should be glad to make every attempt to receive you here and to do what I can to make your visit provitable. Although most of my afternoons appear to be mortgaged this week, the mornings are singularly free, with the exception of Saturday. I should therefore be happy to see you any morning between nine-thirty and twelve and should hope that you would find it possible to arrange to have lunch with me.

If this week should not prove convenient for you by the time you receive my letter and you should desire to postpone your visit until the following week, I should, unfortunately, be unable to see you before Friday the 29th. It is, of course, pure selfishness on my part to want to be here when you come, for you are at perfect liberty to visit the Herbarium any time and either Dr. Wherry or Miss Earle would be happy to receive you and give you the necessary help.

Looking forward to hearing from you, I am

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Professor of Botany.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

19 June 1945

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Vice-Provost,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.

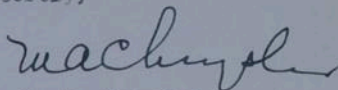
Dear Doctor Fogg:-
Your promptness in replying to my inquiry of 15 instant is greatly appreciated.

In view of what you say about availability of the Herbarium, there is of course no real necessity of my bothering a busy man - but I naturally would not like to be so near without seeing you.

Unless weather should be quite unfavorable, I plan coming over to Philadelphia during the morning of Thursday 21 instant, and think it would be well for me to go at once to the Herbarium, from which we could phone you, and if you were at liberty at a time to be arranged, I could have the benefit of your advice on my little project.

Hoping then to see you soon, and with kind regards,

Sincerely,



M. A. Chrysler
Emeritus Professor

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

25 June 1945

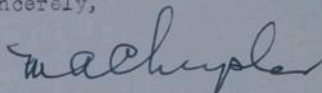
Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
Professor of Botany,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.,

Dear Doctor Fogg:-

Just a line to assure you that your kind offices at the time of my recent visit to the University were greatly appreciated. Thanks to the efforts of those two secretaries, I was fortunate enough to secure a good room at the Benjamin Franklin. Your herbarium is so conveniently arranged that I was able to make good progress. On Friday morning I started in at the Academy, and as was expected, found much to record; so I returned to spend the available hours of Saturday. But it will be necessary to return on some convenient occasion and clear up a few remaining genera.

Hoping with you that it may not be a great while before collecting activities may be resumed, and with many thanks for your kind cooperation,

Sincerely,



M. A. Chrysler
Research Professor

October 26, 1945

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Department of Botany,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Thank you so much for your kindness in having forwarded to me a copy of your paper on "The Variations and Origin of *Botrychium lanuginosum*." I read this with interest when it appeared in the Torrey Bulletin and am happy to have a separate for my files.

It is good to know that you are continuing your important work on this group of plants and I wish you all possible success in your investigations.

It was a pleasure to see you here some months ago and I hope that you may find it possible to visit us again before long. You may be certain that a warm welcome awaits you here at all times.

With best regards to Mrs. Chrysler and yourself,
I am

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Vice-Provost

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
NEW BRUNSWICK NEW JERSEY

BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH

9 November 1945

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Vice-Provost,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.,

Dear Doctor Fogg:-

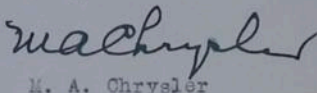
Although no longer connected officially with the Department of Botany, I am naturally as strongly interested in the development of our herbarium as could be, and hence wish to join Professor Johnson in expressing great delight in the acquisition of the further instalment of Witmer Stone's south Jersey plants. We have made a preliminary survey of the contents of the package, and as would be expected have found much of interest. What impresses me most is this opportunity to secure a worthy representation of Stone's historic piece of work on behalf of the plants of New Jersey; added to the sheets which you so kindly sent three years ago, we now can boast of having over 400 of Stone's plants. May I also signify appreciation of the value of those *Panicums*, determined by Hitchcock and Chase. So I wish personally to thank you very cordially for this favor. But I cannot forget the distinctly one-sided feature in this matter - I really do not see what we can expect to do for the U. of P. Herbarium, but possibly you can make suggestions. For instance, at the time of my last visit to Philadelphia, Mr. Bayard Long suggested that the local collection at the Academy would be glad to have plants from our Somerset County, although this county is largely covered by farms, I have managed to get together a sample. It was so late in the past season before gas was available that I did little collecting outside of the walking limit.

In connection with the "fern-book" project, I have made note of a number of points to be looked up in the two big collections in your city, and so must presently make another visit. You Phila. botanists have done such a magnificent job with the local flora that you have left the rest of us trailing sadly in the rear.

Last week I paid Mr. Witte a short visit at "The Hollow", and found him making fine progress with mounting up some Fiji plants which he has secured from Degener. He speaks of his fine collection as the Riegelsville Branch of the Rutgers Herbarium.

With this note I am acknowledging receipt of your kind letter of 26 ult. Thank you much for your good wishes.

Sincerely,



M. A. Chrysler

May 10, 1946

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Bureau of Biological Research,
Rutgers University,
New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Thank you very much for the separate from the TORREY BULLETIN of your Botrychium paper. It is always pleasant to hear from you even if only in reprint form, and I am happy to see this continued evidence of your activity and what I hope is also your good health.

I have enjoyed my return to teaching this year after a long period of purely administrative work and am hoping to resume my efforts on the State Flora again this coming season.

I trust that if chance brings you to Philadelphia, you will afford me an opportunity to see something of you.

I am
With best regards to you and Mrs. Chrysler,

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Professor of Botany.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

The State University of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY

Mailing Address: Chaplin, Conn.

8 June 1949

Professor John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Department of Botany,
University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Fogg:-

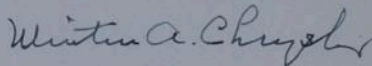
It has been a matter of much regret that for many months it has not been practicable to meet the botanical friends of Philadelphia. But your many favors and continued friendship cannot be forgotten.

I am wondering whether the Herbarium of your Department would be interested in receiving some duplicates of ferns collected during my visit to Puerto Rico a couple of years ago. There are not a great many of them, for the primary object of that trip was the acquiring of certain "canned goods" for morphological work. Not finding more than one species of Dennstaedtia I made a very brief trip to Eastern Cuba, where for the first time I was able to get material of Microlepia speluncae and a second species of Orthiopteris, etc. In determining the ferns I have had the benefit of Mr. Weatherby's kind assistance, as well as the extensive collections of W. I. ferns at the N. Y. Garden.

May I express the hope that your projects are making satisfactory progress, and that the Phila. Bot. Club is prospering. I do not forget your kind cooperation at the time of my compiling data for "the fern book".

With kind regards to Mrs. Fogg, whose generous hospitality is not forgotten, and best wishes to yourself,

Sincerely,



Mintin A. Chrysler

June 22, 1949

Dr. Mintin A. Chrysler,
Chaplin, Connecticut.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

It was indeed a pleasure to receive your recent letter and I hasten to say that we should be delighted to have duplicates of your ferns from Puerto Rico. Dr. Wherry is always glad to see foreign Pteridophytes and I should welcome this material as a valued addition to our herbarium.

It is good to learn of your continuing interest and I shall take this opportunity to thank you for a recent reprint, which I find to my shame I have neglected to acknowledge previously. I recall with such pleasure our visits together over a period of years and hope that I may see you again before long.

Sincerely yours,

Professor of Botany

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

The State University of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

(NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY

Mailing address:
Chaplin, Conn.

2 July 1949

professor John M. Fogg, Jr.
Department of Botany,
Univ. of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Fogg:-

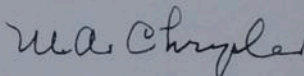
since receiving your kind letter of 22 ult. I have selected the duplicates from my Puerto Rico collection of 1947, to the number of a little short of one hundred, representing all of the available duplicates. Most of the specimens are ferns, but a few are angiosperms of more or less interest. P. R. has a striking number of endemic species, and I am hoping that these may be of greater use than some of the common things. The parcel is now ready and will be shipped at once.

These plants are offered "in continuation of exchange" from the Herbarium of Rutgers University. will you please regard this expression as an indication of my great appreciation of the many valuable plants which you have furnished to our herbarium. It is a pleasure to recall in this connection that it was due to your recommendation that Mr. Witte presented his herbarium to our institution. The last time I had word from Mr. W. he was busy mounting some of the plants recently received by him.

It would indeed give me much pleasure to again meet with the Philadelphia botanists, who have kindly accepted me as a member of the Club.

With best wishes,

sincerely,



M. A. Chrysler

July 8, 1949

Dr. M. A. Chrysler,
Chaplin, Connecticut.

Dear Dr. Chrysler:

Your package of specimens (93 in number, according to our count) has been received and I have greatly enjoyed going through them. You have indeed sent us an interesting lot of Puerto Rico plants and we are delighted to add them to our collections here.

These specimens have been entered in continuation of our exchange agreement with Rutgers and I hope that as a result of a distribution which we shall be making within the next two or three months, we shall have an additional lot ready to forward to Dr. Johnson.

I am glad to learn that you have heard recently from Mr. Witte and to know that he is still active. I feel very guilty in not having gotten up to see him and hope that before long I may be able to pay him a visit.

With best wishes and warm regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Professor of Botany