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Green, P.S.

February 16, 1962

Dr. P. S. Green  
The Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.

Dear Peter:

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 14th. You have gone to far more trouble than I realized would be necessary and we are grateful.

I knew a little about Dick's situation simply because my letter to him about the junipers crossed one from him to me. In his he mentioned the fact that he was going to the hospital the next day. I do hope they are on the right track and that he will make a speedy and complete recovery.

I have turned your information over to Mrs. Gall, who is greatly indebted to you. She will, of course, follow the various leads which you have furnished.

Best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,  
Director

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THE ARNOLD ARBORETUM  
HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
JAMAICA PLAIN — CAMBRIDGE — WESTON  
MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

JAMAICA PLAIN 30, MASS.

28<sup>th</sup> May '62

Dear Dr. Fogg,

I am very sorry to have delayed a few days in acknowledging the very welcome reports. Please accept my thanks for them all & especially for those on the Magnolia & Juniper. Under separate cover I am attempting to reciprocate in a modest way with one or two articles which have recently come out, in the hope that they may be of interest.

Please accept my kindest regards.

Sincerely yours  
Peter Green

June 6, 1962

Dr. Peter Green  
Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain 30, MASS.

Dear Peter:

Upon my return from Ohio I found here your letter of the 28th and the interesting batch of reprints. Many thanks for both.

Ever since reading your article in Rhodora on Ranunculus Ficaria I have been meaning to write to you about a form which is very abundant in our woods and elsewhere hereabouts. It is double-flowered, to begin with, and the leaves are variegated, with a light green and bronze pattern. I have never seen bulbils on it nor, of course, does it produce seed. The root system is fascicled and looks like a miniature Dehlia.

I have looked through a great many British and European works without ever locating a reference to anything like this and I would be very grateful for any comment which you are able to offer.

It was great fun seeing you last week and I hope that you can get to future meetings. I hope also that you can get down our way one day soon.

Sincerely yours,

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June 8, 1962

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director  
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Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

Many thanks for your letter of 6 June which arrived today. I had been meaning to write to tell you that I have had a look at the specimens waiting in the herbarium here at Jamaica Plain, and labelled "Please hold as a group for Dr. John M. Fogg to study on his next visit". They were carefully done up in a bundle but I have opened it and find that there are 16 miscellaneous unmounted specimens from plants grown in the Morris Arboretum. Mostly they are Cotoneaster, but there is a specimen of Osmanthus armatus and the odd species of Magnolia, Acer, Juglans, Euonymus and others. Were they for comparison in the herbarium here and is there anything I can do to help with them; please let me know?

I am most interested to hear about your double-flowered Ranunculus ficaria. Occasionally it is grown as a garden plant in Britain although it is not very common. As to the correct name - I am at a loss. The Royal Horticultural Society's Dictionary of Gardening mentions no names but says that there are two double-flowered forms in cultivation, one with more green in the flowers than the other and I see that the supplementary volume (vol. 5, 1900) of the old Nicholson's Dictionary lists a var. flore-pleno. Then as to the variegated leaves: there is great variation in this in natural population in Britain, some showing distinct bronze markings rather reminiscent of the zonal geraniums but others with leaves that appear uniformly green. I doubt if there is value in it, but a form nigromaculatus has been described on the continent of Europe. You say your plant does not produce seeds; this may be because the species is largely self-sterile, I believe, and you may only have one clone growing in your woods. This is only a guess on my part but if you are interested in the general biology of the plant you might like to have the reference to Marsden-Jones in Journ. Linn. Soc. Bot. 50: 39. 1935.

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.

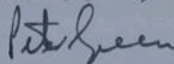
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June 8, 1962

It was indeed a pleasure to see you again at the meetings a week ago. They were most enjoyable and profitable. It was a pity you could not manage the visit to Mr. Kohankie's garden after we left the Holden. He had a lot of interesting and rare things, including a Magnolia which I took to be M. wilsonii with its pendulous flowers but he used another name which, like a fool, I cannot remember.

Please accept my kindest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Peter S. Green  
Horticultural Taxonomist

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July 11, 1962

Dr. Peter S. Green  
The Arnold Arboretum  
Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.

Dear Peter:

Many thanks for your kind letter of June 8. Had I not been so busily engaged in getting my Summer School Course on Woody Plants started, I would have responded to it sooner.

The specimens contained in the bundle bearing my name are duplicates for the Herbarium of the Arnold Arboretum, provided, of course, they are of any value to you. The Osmanthus armatus was sent especially for you, since I seem to recall that you had little or no material of that species there. The Juglans are being named by Wayne Manning and some day I'll be able to pass on names for them. I do not recall why I should have sent any unnamed Magnolias to you, so these might be set aside for me to look at in October. The Cotoneasters are probably part of a set collected by Edith Gall from our collection here in the hope that someone, somewhere, sometime might be studying this group and be able to name them. Incidentally, we sent a similar set of our Cornus to you in the autumn of 1960 with the assurance that Dick Howard would identify them for us. I know how busy he is, but am still hoping that one day he will get around to them.

One thing you did not mention is a sheet of Aesculus which I left with Bert Wagenknecht three or four years ago. I had a feeling it might be A. turbinata and Bert had promised to check it for me, but left before doing so.

I do not recall why I should have sent you material of Acer and Euonymus, but if these are not identified and someone there can name them I shall be very grateful.

Many thanks for your comments on the double-flowered Ranunculus Ficaria. Perhaps the best thing would be for me to send you material next Spring when our plants come into flower. I still feel that the form we have here does not quite match the things which you describe or to which you give literature references. Perhaps we can work this out between us.

Best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

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John M. Fogg, Jr., Director

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July 18, 1962

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director  
University of Pennsylvania  
The Morris Arboretum  
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Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

Just a short note to reply to your kind letter of 11 July and to thank you for it.

I am sorry if I gave you the wrong impression that the bundle of specimens which had been set aside for your examination were unnamed. They are in fact named, every one of them, so I presume that they are duplicates you have kindly sent for the herbarium here and somewhere down the line had got themselves marked to be kept for your attention. We are very glad to have them, I know, but as they have been set on one side this long I think it would be best if they wait until October now and you can confirm this when you see them.

I have had a look for the Aesculus sheet you mention as having been sent to Bert Wagenknecht three or four years ago. I have had a look but regret that I cannot find it. Do you have any more material? I am no authority on Aesculus but would be glad to do what I can if it would be of any help.

With kindest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

*P. S. Green*  
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