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McCLINTOCK, E.



Department of Botany
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan
February 6, 1948

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

Dear Dr. Fogg:

I am working on a taxonomic revision of Hydrangea and the genera closely related to it, for a doctoral thesis problem. In this connection I would like to borrow for study any material which you may have of this genus. I would appreciate it if you would send the material to me in care of Dr. Rogers McVaugh, University Herbarium, Museums Building, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

I have recently worked over the genus Dracocephalum (or Physostegia), and since my paper is not finished I would be interested in seeing any material which you may have of this group. I would need to keep this only long enough to make some comparisons and to annotate the sheets.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth McClintock

(Miss) Elizabeth McClintock

May 14, 1948

Miss Elizabeth McClintock,
Department of Botany,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Dear Miss McClintock:

I certainly owe you an apology for having delayed so long in responding to the request contained in your letter of February 6th for the loan of material of Hydrangea and Dracocephalum from here. We should indeed be happy to forward our material of these genera to you and the reason why we have not done so before is because we are so desperately busily working on the Pennsylvania Flora that it has been physically impossible to find time to prepare this shipment or to locate an empty mailing case which might be used for its transportation.

During the rather limited time which my administrative duties permit me to devote to herbarium work, I have been engaged in cooperating with Dr. Herbert A. Wahl, of Penn State, who is on leave of absence here this spring to work with me on the State Flora. We are borrowing the entire collection from the University of Pittsburgh for studying and recording, which means that all of our packing cases are in constant service between here and the western end of the State. I think I see a slight let-up in our activity toward the end of this month, however, and if you are still interested in receiving this material and will drop me a postal to that effect, I shall see that it is forwarded to you just as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Professor of Botany.

CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
GOLDEN GATE PARK
SAN FRANCISCO 18, CALIFORNIA

May 12, 1954

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
Department of Botany
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Fogg:

The Physostegia material which you loaned to me several years ago is being returned to you today. In getting this material ready for shipping, I found only 87 (instead of 88) sheets with the stamp of the University of Pennsylvania, but there was left over from all of the material which I had, one sheet without any herbarium stamp. I am therefore assuming that it belongs to the University of Pennsylvania. However, when I packed the various lots of material for shipment yesterday, this specimen, which I had originally set aside, was not included in your shipment. I shall mail it today and hope that it does belong to you.

Thank you very much for the use of this material. I hope that you will find the annotations of some use. You will note that I am not recognizing var. granulosa (Fassett) Fernald of P. virginiana. It is a very tenuous form, and I can see no constant characters for differentiating it. For P. speciosa Sweet I am using the name P. formosior Lunell. Sweet based his name on a cultivated plant of unknown origin, which may have been P. virginiana. In annotating this material, I have used specific names for all of the taxa. Actually, the limits between the taxa are so slight that one would be justified in considering the whole genus as having only one species.

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I am leaving next week, on the 18th, for Europe, where I shall attend the Botanical Congress and do some herbarium work. So I hope that you will find the return of this loan satisfactory.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth McClintock

Elizabeth McClintock
Assistant Curator
Department of Botany

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August 30, 1954

Dr.
Mrs. Elizabeth McClintock
Assistant Curator
Department of Botany
California Academy of Sciences
Golden Gate Park
San Francisco 18, Calif.

Dear ^{Dr.} Mrs. McClintock:

I am indeed sorry not to have written sooner in answer to your letter of May 12th concerning the return of our *Physostegia* material, but I left for Europe about the middle of May and from there went on to India and the Far East, from which I have only recently returned.

The specimens were returned here in good condition and I have been interested in going over your comments. I believe that we are not very far apart in our understanding of *P. virginiana*, although in our area I am inclined to regard var. graminosa as separable. I realize, however, that it is a very tenuous form and perhaps with further field work I should be disposed to submerge it as you have done.

I hope that our material was of some interest to you and look forward to seeing further publications on a family of plants in which I have long maintained an active interest.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Fogg, Jr.
Director

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May 10, 1962

THE SCIENCE MUSEUM

THE ALEXANDER F. MORRISON PLANETARIUM

THE STEINHART AQUARIUM

Dear Dr. Fogg:

Thank you for sending the early issues of the Morris Arboretum Bulletin. It is good to have the set of this publication in the library of the California Horticultural Society complete.

I look forward to seeing you at the AABGA meetings. I am leaving here on the 19th for about 10 days in Washington before the meetings.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth M. McClintock
Elizabeth McClintock

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
The Morris Arboretum
Philadelphia, Pa.