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LAWRENCE, G. H. ^{from Fogg}

January 5, 1950

Dr. George H. Lawrence,
Bailey Hortorium,
Ithaca, New York.

Dear George:

In accordance with the promise which I made to you last week, I am forwarding, under separate cover, my copy of E. L. Greene's little book on Linnaeus. The final chapter (pages 73-91) contains Greene's account of Linnaeus as an evolutionist, which formed the subject of our discussion. I think you will be interested in his observations, although they may not be sufficiently significant to warrant inclusion in your own treatment of this matter.

It was great fun seeing you again in New York and I want to tell you once more how delighted I am to learn of your forthcoming book on Systematic Botany. It sounds to me just like the kind of thing that I need in my own class work and I shall be looking eagerly forward to its appearance.

I hope that you have a fine trip abroad and look forward to seeing you and hearing about it upon your return.

Sincerely yours,

Professor of Botany

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9 January 1950

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
Vice-Provost
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia 4, Penna.

Dear Jack:

Your letter arrived this morning telling me of your remembering to send a copy of Greene's book on Linnaeus. I look forward to reading it and if it measures up to expectations will include it in a bibliography to my chapter on the history of taxonomy. Many thanks for remembering it.

Under separate cover I am sending some copies of a key I worked up to the family of cultivated plants. This key accounts for all but the rarest of families having species indigenous to this country but not cultivated (such as Podostemonaceae, Alangiaceae, Rafflesiaceae, etc.). My next endeavor in this line will be an amplified key to account for all the families in North America (cultivated and native) with the dioecious elements taken out separately on the basis of both staminate and pistillate flowers. I will be glad to know of any errors you find in the present key.

Sincerely yours,


George H. M. Lawrence

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From Fagg

January 16, 1950

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence,
Bailey Hortorium,
Sage Place,
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

Many thanks for the copies of the key to the families of cultivated plants. I am looking forward to trying this out for myself and, if you have no objection, to using it with a small class of students in systematic botany. I have done this with some of the keys which I have prepared for the State Flora and it seems to me that there is no better way to test a key than to have it used by beginning students. Those of us who are familiar with family and generic characters are frequently inclined to take short-cuts and it is often the beginner who is following the key literally who succeeds in calling attention to weaknesses or inconsistencies. I shall certainly let you know if I detect any such.

Sincerely yours,

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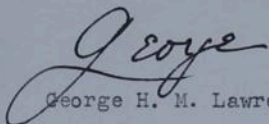
Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
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Dear Jack:

Somehow I inadvertantly told you that I was leaving for Europe sooner than is the case. My departure date is June 16th. I would like to thank you personally and with real sincerity for the excellent suggestions you made in reviewing Part I of my projected taxonomy text. You will find that practically all of them have been incorporated in the final revision. It was mighty fine of you to be so helpful.

At the suggestion of several botanists, I am contemplating including, as an Appendix, a short suggested syllabus for those concerned only with the course at an elementary level. A copy of my rough draft of this is enclosed for such criticism as you may care to give it and I would appreciate your marking it up as much as you wish and returning it to me here at the Hortorium. The manuscript for Parts I and II, and the illustrations, go to Mr. Harris the middle of this month, but I am reserving the privilege of submitting final copy on the syllabus a couple of weeks later. Any ideas you may have concerning it will be welcome and respected.

Cordially yours,


George H. M. Lawrence

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Enc.

A animated animal
 B beautiful bar-wood
 C cleaning canvas
 D Darling Doggie
 E energetic
 F Frisky fluff
 G grating globe
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 M whisker waffle

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N
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 Q quivering quadruped
 R Rascal rascal
 S squiggling squirt
 T
 U
 V vivacious vertebrate
 W
 X
 Y yapping yosemite
 Z

Stamps
 cushion

Means report for
 Betty Freeman

from Fagg

May 23, 1950

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence,
Bailey Hortorium,
Sage Place,
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

I have examined your elementary taxonomy syllabus with a great deal of interest and am now returning it with these few comments. First let me say that I think you have put together a very comprehensive and well-considered series of topics in what for the most part appeals to me as a logical sequence. My only reservation concerning the plan has to do with the feasibility of attempting to cover so much ground in a one-term elementary course.

Naturally my first reaction has been to compare your syllabus with what I do myself and I would say at the outset that what you have incorporated in this plan constitutes for me material for two distinct courses. In my beginning course in taxonomy, which is two hours lecture and four hours laboratory each week during the Spring Term, I attempt to accomplish little more than a straight descriptive job, taking up in the Engler sequence in the lectures about forty families of Angiosperms (Pteridophytes and Gymnosperms are handled in separate courses by other members of the Department). In covering these forty families I attempt to avoid the monotony, to which you make proper reference in your second paragraph, by introducing from time to time a minimum of material dealing with nomenclature, phylogeny, plant geography, economic botany, plant exploration, etc. Even when dealing with an individual family I spend usually only about five minutes on the morphological characteristics of the family, then twenty or twenty-five minutes on interesting examples, the ornamental or medicinal importance of individual genera or species, significant facts of a historical nature (such as the importance of *Oenothera* and *Datura* in genetics), as well as observations drawn from field experience in this and other countries. I make frequent use of specimens, both fresh and dried, illustrations, slides, and visits to the greenhouse; and, of course, from April to the end of the term the class is taken on field trips once a week, taught how to collect, how to use and construct keys, etc. I find it impossible in this course to have the laboratory material follow the lectures in all cases, simply because flowering material from the greenhouse or gardens is not always available on the day that that particular family is taken up in lecture. In other words, this is a pretty orthodox introduction to systematic botany of the Angiosperms presented with a real attempt to introduce variety and to show the relationship of descriptive botany to other and more dynamic phases of the plant sciences.

In a separate course entitled "Principles of Systematic Botany," I deal with most of the subjects outlined in detail in your syllabus. My approach is primarily historical but by the middle of the term we are over into phylogeny, nomenclature, systems of classification, bibliography and biosystematics.

May 23, 1950

The reason I am telling you all this is because I can't help wondering whether it would be really possible to attempt to cover in a single course all of the detailed topics indicated in your outline. For example, in your first lecture you propose to cover with a group of beginning students material which, it seems to me, would require three or four lectures. I have somewhat the same feeling with respect to Lectures VI and X. Indeed, as I have suggested in the case of Lecture VI, I would reserve this for the very end of the course with the feeling that phylogeny can best be understood after the students have a working knowledge of the representative families. I think I would be inclined also to reserve Lecture XIV for a point well toward the end, and at the same time I would move Lecture XVIII up to the beginning.

I am fully aware that these rambling observations will not prove very helpful to you and I realize also that I must have conveyed the impression that I am not too enthusiastic about your syllabus. Such is certainly not the case for I am greatly intrigued by what you have devised and am strongly tempted to try it out some time. Obviously, however, no two of us will ever give a course the same way and, as I have indicated, I would certainly modify the sequence of some of your divisions, would minimize or omit others, and would probably still attempt to cover about ten families of monotots and thirty of dicots, since I feel that this is almost an irreducible minimum in an elementary course.

I am grateful to you for having let me see this material and feel that what you are proposing here is distinctly a forward step. I assure you if I gave but a single undergraduate course in systematic botany I should want to include essentially the material which you have incorporated into your outline.

With best wishes and warm regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Professor of Botany

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25 West Park Rd.
Kew Gardens, Surrey
3 August 1950

Professor John Fogg
Department of Botany
Univ. of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Jack,

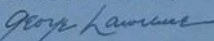
Please accept my belated thanks for you kind appraisal and reading of the Appendix I propose to include in my forthcoming text TAXONOMY OF VASCULAR PLANTS. Now that I have returned from the Stockholm Congress, I have had time to read your very helpful letter and notes and will take cognizance of your experience in revising some of the entries.

The Congress was a success in that it brought together a large number of men and women and provided to a limited extent an opportunity for the exchange of ideas and for the making of friendships from what previously had been "corresponding" acquaintanceships. The nomenclature sessions were a "rat-race" but too were very satisfying in that fully 75% of the proposals were rejected and in that no major changes were legislated into the Rules. We will have to learn new article numbers, for many new ones have been intercalated; one may look for some clarification of former ambiguous directives; and certainly we should find the next edition more liberally provided with examples of application. The question of Nomina specifica conservanda was defeated by a 6-1 ballot, but one may expect the British to come up strong at the projected Paris Congress (1954) with a somewhat equivalent proposal to be applied to plants of economic importance. The name of orders have been stabilized ~~in~~ to some extent by inclusion of a list of names for about twenty of the largest and most dominant orders; the terms taxon and taxa are to be used throughout the Rules as appropriate; a new article legislates that the Rule of priority does not apply to names of taxa above the rank of family, but no attempt was made to legislate the names of classes and higher categories. These are a few of the changes and no doubt a report on the proceedings has reached you by now from your own representative at the Congress.

For the next five months I will be living here with my family while working at the British Museum, studying and photographing Philip Miller types. After Christmas we move to Geneva where I will work in the Boissier herbarium. Evenings (or many of them) will be spent, as you can well appreciate, reading proof.

Many thanks for your generous help, and it will be a pleasure to credit the assistance you have given me by appropriate acknowledgement in my Preface.

Cordially yours,


George H. M. Lawrence

from Fogg

January 9, 1952

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence,
Bailey Hortorium,
Sage Place,
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

Last October when a copy of your fine book on The Taxonomy of Vascular Plants reached me, I immediately plunged into it and reread Part I which I had seen in manuscript. Once again I was delighted with the scope and manner of execution of this section of the work and even noted with pleasure that the few minor suggestions which I had made had been incorporated by you into the text.

A few days ago as I began to think about the undergraduate course in Systematic Botany which I give each spring, I got the book out again, this time paying particular attention to Part II with its treatment of individual families. Then, and not until then, did I notice your inscription and autograph on the title page. This must seem as incomprehensible to you as it does to me, but such is the case, and I hasten to cover my confusion by offering, with apologies, my very belated appreciation of your kind thoughts and generous sentiments. Frankly, I had assumed that the volume in my hand had come directly from the publishers, which is so often the case with a new book in our field, and seemed in this instance especially appropriate since I had had something to do with the manuscript. The only excuse which I can offer, and it must seem a poor one, is that I plunged immediately into the body of the work and thus completely overlooked until now the source of my own copy.

As I have indicated, I plan to try this book out with my taxonomy class this spring and if you are interested, I should be glad to let you know their reaction. It will probably be a small group of not more than eight or ten students but I should be most interested in seeing how this work meets our needs.

I am sorry that you did not get down to the A.A.A.S. meetings in Philadelphia, for, although the amount of botany on the program was not great, the sessions which we did have, I thought, were extremely worthwhile.

With best wishes and warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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14 January 1952

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

Dear Jack:

Thank you for the kind words acknowledging the copy of my book. Your assumption that it was an "introduction copy" from the publisher is most understandable and you need not feel apologetic for not having spotted the title-page.

Your earlier suggestions were very much appreciated and their incorporation improved matters considerably. As Dr. Wherry may well have informed you, the present edition has many typographical errors in it and I find a few factual ones too. If you would like a list of the latter I will gladly send it to you. The publishers assure me that all of these will be corrected prior to making the second printing, about 18 months from now.

I will welcome all suggestions for improving the book for consideration, should its success ever warrant its preparation of a revised edition. It has been used this fall in about 12 institutions. Dick Howard, at Harvard, says he does not find the Appendix I to be of much help and I suspect that this will be true of most professionally trained taxonomists. It was my thought that it would serve as a guide to the harrassed physiologist who had to teach taxonomy. Any ideas you may have will be welcomed.

Sincerely yours,


G. H. M. Lawrence

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BAILEY HORTORIUM
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ITHACA, NEW YORK
29 October 1956

Dr. John M. Fogg, Director
Morris Arboretum
Chestnut Hill
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of October 19th, and especially for the trouble that you entailed in preparing a copy of the article by Robert Buist in the Gardener's Monthly for November 1873. This is very valuable to us and will be used with appropriate acknowledgment in the December issue of *Baileya*.

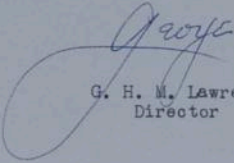
Thank you for reminding me about the specimen of an Asclepiadaceous plant sent last June for name. It is, as you suspected, *Cynanchum Vincetoxicum*, (L.) Pers.

I am especially happy to have had the more ample material of the alleged *Watsonia*. Now, having adequate foliage, a portion of the inflorescence, and pressed flowers, I believe it has been placed correctly. It is not a *Watsonia*, but the closely allied genus *Lapeyrouisia*. I make it out to be J. G. Baker's *Lapeyrouisia grandiflora*, a close relative of *L. cruenta*, and perhaps only a variant of the latter species. This, and *L. cruenta*, differ from most species of *Lapeyrouisia* in having stamen filaments longer than the anthers, one of the characters common to all species of *Watsonia*. It is distinguished from *Watsonia* by the much smaller spath valves, the very slender elongated and straight perianth tube.

The *Teucrium* has been identified by Gordon DeWolf of our staff as *Teucrium chamaedrys*, L.

It's a pleasure to have this material to identify and I regret that other pressures stopped me from spending the time on it that I should have when it came in. I am more than happy to have this material of *Lapeyrouisia grandiflora* and should you some time have some spare corams of it I would like to grow it that we might properly illustrate it and study it further, especially its relationships to *L. cruenta*.

Very cordially yours,



G. H. M. Lawrence
Director

lm

November 2, 1956

Dr. G.N.M. Lawrence
Bailey Hortorium
New York State College of Agriculture
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

Many thanks for your kind letter of October 29, giving me the identifications which I had requested.

We have several pots of the Lapevrousis and I shall be glad to send you some cones a little later. Just now our greenhouses are in the utmost confusion. We are demolishing our palm-house, preparatory to erecting a new unit, and all the material from the old house is piled temporarily into the section containing our bulbous plants. I'll dig your material out one of these days, however, and ship it up to you.

Fellow came in the other day with a Chrysanthemum which, on the basis of foliage and size of heads, I took to be a glorified Shasta Daisy. He says, however, that it is a shrub and that it blooms only in the Fall. He has had it out of doors for three seasons. Any idea what it could be? I'll try to get hold of some material suitable for making into herbarium specimens and possibly submit it to you later if you are interested.

Best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely,

John M. Fogg, Jr.
Director

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7 November 1956

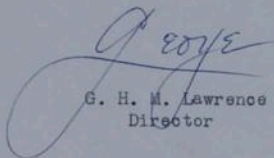
Dr. John M. FOGG, Jr., Director
The Morris Arboretum
Chestnut Hill
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

Please feel free to send on a specimen of the shrubby
chrysanthemum to which you referred in your letter of November
2nd any time it comes to your hand.

Daisy The plant is undoubtedly that known in the trade as Paris
~~Paris~~, Chrysanthemum frutescens. We do not consider it at all
hardy here, but I suspect that it might be hardy in open winters
in a sheltered area in the Philadelphia region.

Very sincerely yours,



G. H. M. Lawrence
Director

lm

November 12, 1956

Dr. G. H. M. Lawrence, Director
Bailey Hortorium
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

Thanks for your letter of the 7th concerning the shrubby chrysanthemum. Unfortunately the specimen which was given to me was in rather poor shape and I was unable to preserve it for study. I am writing for fresh material, if the plant is still thriving, so that I can make a decent specimen to be forwarded to you.

With respect to the Lapeyrouisia in our greenhouse, I find that these plants have been cut back and the corms have been repotted and are at present in a dormant state. What I plan to do here, since apparently Dutch Huddleston commutes between here and Ithaca, is to turn a pot over to him to be brought up to you on his next trip north.

I wonder if you can tell me the correct botanical name of the Tobacco which is so widely grown here as a garden annual. This is the very fragrant one in which the corollas may be white or rose colored. It frequently escapes from cultivation and I have to recognize it in my Pennsylvania Flora as an escape. According to Bailey's Manual it would seem to be Nicotiana Sanderac, but our material differs from his description in a number of respects, one of which is that he makes no allowance for a white-flowered form. Nor does the plant seem to fit into his description of N. alata. Perhaps more than one thing is involved here and I should send you a series of herbarium specimens in order to enable you to make an identification. I tried looking the thing up when I was at the Gray Herbarium a couple of weeks ago and got no satisfaction whatever.

Also, I am considerably puzzled by various sheets of Petunia which keep coming in from our collectors throughout the State, and am wondering whether anyone at your place would be willing to look over our series for the purpose of giving us some reasonable determinations.

With best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.
Director

f. J. E. with Lawrence

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13 December 1956

Dr. John M. FOGG, Jr., Director
The Morris Arboretum
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Philadelphia, Penna.

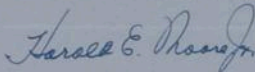
Dear Dr. Fogg:

During Dr. Lawrence's absence in Europe, your letter was referred to me for reply and, unfortunately, was set aside, pending inquiry from one of our other people here at Cornell about the *Nicotiana* that you mentioned. I regret that reply has been delayed and I am returning the letter to Dr. Lawrence for such comment as he may have now.

However, it may be of interest to know that Dr. R. E. Lee, who has been working with some of the ornamental *Nicotianas* in a breeding program suggested sending material to Dr. Harold H. Smith, presently on leave at Department of Biology, Brookhaven National Laboratories, Upton, L. I., New York. Dr. Smith has worked intensively with the *Nicotianas* of this group and Dr. Lee thought that he would immediately recognize the material that puzzles.

As for the *Petunia* and other matters, I will let George speak for himself.

Very sincerely yours,



Harold E. Moore, Jr.
Associate Professor

lm

December 13, 1956

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence
The Baily Hortorium
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

You may recall that not long ago I wrote to you concerning a shrubby or semi-shrubby *Chrysanthemum* which a friend of ours was growing and wished to have identified. You replied on the basis of my rather inadequate description saying that it might be *C. frutescens*.

The gentleman has now brought in a badly shriveled branch of a plant which I am sending to you under separate cover with apologies for its poor condition. However, I think there may be enough of it to indicate something of its character. It looks to me a little more like *C. nipponicum*, but I should be glad to have your opinion. If you are sufficiently interested to have decent herbarium material, I shall see that this is obtained for you next year.

Hope you had a good trip to Europe and are now enjoying yourself in what must be the cold crisp air of northern New York.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.
Director

LAWRENCE, Geo.

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18 December 1956

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Dir.
The Morris Arboretum
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Philadelphia, Penna.

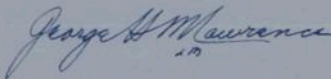
Dear Jack:

Thank you for your note of December 13th, questioning the earlier "determination" of the shrubby *Chrysanthemum* which a friend of yours wished to have identified.

It is entirely possible that the plant could be *Chrysanthemum nipponicum*, which is a shrubby species with leathery undivided leaves that are somewhat toothed toward the apex.

When the specimen comes in from you, I will be most happy to check it against our material and if it is that species we certainly would like to have a better specimen. The last specimen of this species that has been added to our herbarium was collected in 1936 at the Poughkeepsie Nursery (Pete van Melle's) and prior to that was a specimen received in 1925 from the New York Botanical Garden. The plant is not so commonly cultivated as the literature would imply and for this reason we will be delighted to have a specimen of it.

Very cordially yours,



George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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LAWRENCE

from Fogg

February 25, 1957

Dr. George Lawrence
Bailey Hortorium
Cornell University
Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear George:

We are sorry that you did not get down last week, but Carl Penninger tells me that you are working on a slightly different tack and that you may be coming this way in the near future. Just let me know when, for we'll be glad to put you up for as long as you can stay.

A few days ago a man from one of the nearby nurseries came in with four or five rooted cuttings of ivies which he wanted named. At that time I was still expecting you to visit us, so I told him that I would show them to you. I think now that I had better send them up to you with blank labels attached and ask you to look at them if you will and send them back appropriately labeled. I think it so commendable in any nursery to want to have its stock correctly named that I am willing to impose on you for this purpose.

Best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

LAWRENCE

L. H. BAILEY HORTORIUM
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28 February 1957

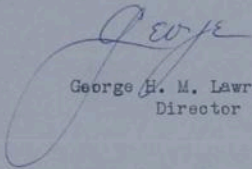
Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director
The Morris Arboretum
University of Pennsylvania
9414 Meadowbrook Ave.
Philadelphia 18, Penna.

Dear Jack:

By all means send along the ivy material for identification and if you will give me the name and address of the nurserymen who brought them in to you, I will be happy to report to them directly. We receive material of this sort regularly, and more and more nurserymen across the country as well as fanciers, have learned of the Hortorium's interest in the group through your Bulletin.

I too was sorry that the plan to come to Philadelphia did not materialize at that time, but I am sure that it will develop between now and the opening of summer. I will let you know of developments and am taking a raincheck on your kind invitation that I stay with you for a night or so while in the area.

Very cordially yours,


George H. M. Lawrence
Director

lm

Lawrence, George H. M.

from Lawrence

L. H. BAILEY HORTORIUM
NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
ITHACA, NEW YORK

23 May 1958

Dr. John M. Fogg
Morris Arboretum
Chestnut Hill
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Jack:

He thinks you must have been psychic when asking me for the identity of the common ornamental tobacco.

On returning from Philadelphia I checked into it and find that a graduate student in genetics, Mr. Kevin Daly, is taking his doctorate examination in a week or two on this very subject - among others within the same alliance. The problem is so complex that his thesis has been held up better than 8 months pending his getting more data.

There are two things involved here. The white flowered one is what is known as Nicotiana elata. The hitch here is that this "species" is not known anywhere in the wild and Goodspeed was never able to turn up anything that would match it in the wild. It has been in cultivation for nearly a century and while typically producing white or near white flowers, individuals vary into pink and sometimes red.

The common bright red flowered plant is now considered to be Nicotiana elata cv. 'Sutton Scarlet'. It is an inbred line developed by Sutton's of England from a selection of one of the infrequently produced red flowered forms of N. elata.

The plant generally known as Nicotiana Sanderiae also has red flowers and in my questioning of those more knowledgeable about this than I, it seemed impossible for them to tell me how to separate plants allegedly belonging to this name from those of N. elata. However, N. Sanderiae classically is said to be a hybrid of N. elata x N. Forgetiana. Goodspeed collected material in the late 1930's in South America that he identified as N. Forgetiana. However, he does not believe this to be a valid taxonomic species and has privately said since that he does not think that it is in any way identical with the material that was grown in Europe under that binomial. No one knows today just what was the original N. Forgetiana. This being the case, there is some question as to whether or not N. Sanderiae is a hybrid. It may be only an assemblage of red flowered forms of N. elata.

The cytologists, however, disagree with this conclusion because

to Fagg

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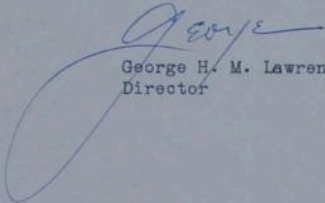
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although all of these plants have 9 chromosomes, the caryotypes differ and they believe that they can see differences in caryotypes between N. elata and N. Sanderias.

It looks as if the above will reflect the treatment to appear in the new edition of Hortus, if that is any consolation to you. It is the most authentic story I can get on the identity of the plant and you are free to use it as you see fit.

It was indeed most considerate and generous of the Trustees of the Academy of Natural Sciences to invite the directors of American museums as their guests at a buffet dinner last Monday night. I know we all appreciate the opportunity of meeting the Trustees under such convivial circumstances. It was a personal pleasure to see you again and I hope that you will favor us with a visit one of these days.

Most sincerely,



George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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LAWRENCE, George Dr.

June 5, 1958

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence, Director
L. H. Bailey Hortorium
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

A thousand thanks for your fine, informative letter concerning Nicotiana. I had realized earlier that this was a tangle, but had no proper understanding of its complexities.

In the meantime Ernesta Ballard, whose fine book on house plants is soon to be published by Harpers, has shown me a still different form with much shorter corolla tubes. I shall send you a specimen of it when I get back from a little trip to the Carribeans and South America on which I am embarking tomorrow.

It was good to see you down here and I hope we can get together again soon.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

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L. H. BAILEY HORTORIUM
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7 November 1958

Morris Arboretum
Attn: Dr. John M. Fogg
Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Fogg:

An illustrated catalogue of the world-famous library of botanical books, collected by Mrs. Roy Arthur Hunt of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has been in preparation for several years. When completed it will occupy three volumes. The first volume, compiled by Miss Jane Quinby, is now privately published with copyright held by The Hunt Foundation. The entire printing of Volume I is limited to 750 copies of which 250 are of a deluxe edition.

Copies of this important publication will not be placed on sale. The supply and distribution privilege for Volume I has been given by Mr. and Mrs. Hunt to the L. H. Bailey Hortorium, Cornell University. This distribution is being made in accordance with our regular and special exchange programs. It is my pleasure to advise you that your institution will receive a copy of the regular edition, to be sent you about the middle of November, 1958, via book post.

Mrs. Hunt's library has been acclaimed by experts to be the finest private collection of its kind in the world. This first volume of its Catalogue contains descriptions of 402 items (including several manuscripts) dating from the twelfth through the seventeenth centuries. Full bibliographic citation, collations, and supplementary historical notes are provided for each entry. When completed the three volumes of this Catalogue will stand as a major bibliographic contribution of the century. It will be a definitive treatise on the incunabula and subsequent major works in the field of early agriculture, of the herbals, and of systematic botany. The thoroughness of its preparation is believed to be without parallel in this field of literature.

If your institution is on our regular exchange program, we will be pleased to hear from you on the acceptability of this volume as an item to be credited to the L. H. Bailey Hortorium's account. If not, we are pleased to send it to you with the expectation that we may be favored by receiving a copy of any bibliographic material you may now or later have available in exchange.

Very sincerely,

George
George H. M. Lawrence
Director

*Jack -
I'm not concerned
about the exchange
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thing is that you have
a copy of the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation*

LAWRENCE, Geo H. M. Dr.

November 10, 1958

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence
L. H. Bailey Hortorium
Cornell University,
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

This will acknowledge your communication of November 7th relative to the distribution of Volum I of the Catalog of Mrs. Hunt's botanical library. Needless to say, we shall be highly delighted to receive this important item and are grateful to you for placing us on your list.

Although you added a personal note to the effect that you were "not concerned about the exchange angle," I assure you that you are and will continue to be on an exchange list to receive our quarterly Bulletin and occasional memoirs.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

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L. H. BAILEY HORTORIUM
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5 December 1958

Dr. John Fogg
Morris Arboretum
Chestnut Hill
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

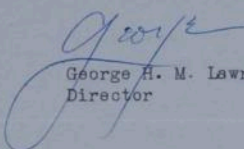
Dear Jack:

As you know, we are privileged to distribute Volume I of the Hunt Catalogue of Botanical Books. One of the libraries that Mrs. Hunt requested be a recipient of this Volume is that of Ambler Junior College, Ambler Pennsylvania.

Frankly, we cannot find this institution listed in any of the directories on junior colleges or other educational institutions. Mrs. Hunt's list even specifies that the copy was to go to the rare book room of the library of this college. This does not sound as if it could be the old Ambler School of Horticulture, and frankly I don't know anything about the institution.

I write to inquire if you can tell me if such an institution does exist in Ambler and if so, who is the librarian or the president. Any information you can give me will be deeply appreciated.

Very sincerely,



George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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Lawrence, George H. M. Dr.

December 8, 1958

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence
L. H. Bailey Hortorium
New York State College of Agriculture
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

This letter is to serve the dual purpose of acknowledging the receipt of Volume I of the Hunt Catalogue and answering your query concerning the Ambler Junior College.

You are to be congratulated upon being privileged to distribute this sumptuous volume and we are delighted to be among the institutions to receive it. Every once in a while I offer a graduate course on the History of Systematic Botany and, naturally, devote considerable attention to the work of the herbalists. The present work will be immensely helpful in this connection as well as a valuable addition to our Library.

Ambler Junior College is indeed the new name for the old Ambler School of Horticulture. Its status was changed a year or so ago and it has now been taken over by Temple University which plans to continue the program in horticulture and also to operate it as a community college of liberal arts.

Mrs. Bush-Brown, who was at one time Director of the School and is still on the faculty, has long been interested in botanical works of the 16th and 17th centuries and has accumulated a small but rather select collection of herbals and other early works. She is Curator of the Rare Book Room where these items are housed and would, I am sure, be deliriously happy to receive a copy of the Catalogue. The present Director of the College is Mr. Jonathan W. French.

With best wishes and season's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

JMF:am

From Fogg
LAWRENCE GEORGE H M

December 23, 1958

Doctor George H. M. Lawrence
Bailey Hortorium
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

It is with some diffidence that I write to you again concerning the Hunt Catalogue. I had supposed that in addition to the copy which you so kindly sent us one would also go to the Botany library on the campus, which is about 13 miles from here. Apparently such is not the case and I can quite well understand why you would not wish to send two copies to the same University.

The purpose of this letter is to inquire whether you would object to my turning our copy over to the departmental library. Most of our herbals and other rare books are in a special cage in that library and Conway Zirkle, who is preparing a history of botany would be delighted to have the Hunt Catalogue there too. Incidentally Zirkle's will stipulates that his personal collection of some 150 old books on botany shall come to the department following his death. This seems to me to make it even more appropriate that the Catalogue should be housed on the campus, much as I would like to have it in our Arboretum Library.

Since I understand that additional volumes will follow the present one your mailing list should be changed, if you agree, to show that they should be forwarded to the Botany Library at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 4.

Warm regards and best wishes for the Holiday Season.

Sincerely yours,

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L. H. BAILEY HORTORIUM
NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
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31 December 1958
Dictated 26 December

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
The Morris Arboretum
9414 Meadowbrook Avenue
Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania

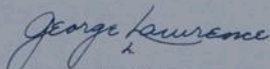
Dear Jack:

Your request for a change in address as concerns Volumes II and III of the Hunt Catalogue has been received.

Since we think that this work when completed in three volumes will be a daily working tool for any taxonomist it is a little surprising that you would consider relinquishing it to the Botany Library on campus where to the best of my knowledge no taxonomy is contemplated or done. However it is your decision and we are perfectly willing to abide by it. The requested change is being made in the records.

With sincerest best wishes for a most satisfying New Year,

Cordially yours,



George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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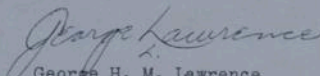
Dear Jack:

A letter from Karl Rechinger of the Naturhistorisches Museum in Vienna is athand in which he asks if it is possible to obtain a copy of Wherry's "The Genus Phlox" which was published, I believe, as Monograph no. 3 of the Morris Arboretum.

If this is available I would like to send it to him for their library. If there is a charge for it please advise me and send bill along with the book to me. We would then forward the Monograph and I will pay for the copy.

With every best wish for a most satisfying New Year,

Most sincerely,


George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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January 5, 1959

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence, Director
L. H. Bailey Hortorium
New York State College of Agriculture
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear Dr. Lawrence:

This will acknowledge your letter of December 31st addressed to Dr. Fogg, inquiring about the availability of Dr. Wherry's "The Genus Phlox."

I have forwarded to you today under separate cover one copy of "The Genus Phlox" and an enclosing invoice to cover same.

Dr. Fogg is out of the country and will return about the middle of January at which time I will bring your correspondence to his attention.

Sincerely yours,

For: John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

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January 26, 1959

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence
L.H. Bailey Hortorium
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

This will acknowledge your two letters dated December 31st, which I found here upon my recent return from Mexico.

I am glad that my secretary sent you a copy of Wherry's Phlox book, and at the same time regret that she had to bill you for it. Wherry paid the expense of publication of this volume himself and we are instructed by him to sell it at cost in the hope that he can eventually recover his investment.

With respect to the Hunt Catalog I should perhaps, have been a little more specific. You say that no taxonomic work is being done on the Campus at Penn. Actually, this is where all of Wahl's and my work on the State Flora is conducted because that is where the main herbarium is located and where most of the books are. Our herbarium and library here are small and specialized on the side of woody ornamentals, and horticultural with a few of the basic floras.

All of my teaching, except the summer course on woody plants, is done on the campus and my several graduate students who are engaged in taxonomic problems work there rather than here.

Every other year I offer a graduate course on the History and Principles of Systematic Botany. An entire month of this course is devoted to Herbals and other early works on Botany. Our collection of such items is in a cage in a fireproof building (which this building here is not) and it therefore seemed to me logical that the Hunt Catalog should be housed where it would be most used and best protected.

Incidentally, I am delighted to learn that you are to be the luncheon speaker for the Horticultural Society on March 11. I shall do my best to be there to help welcome you.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

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LAWRENCE GEORGE

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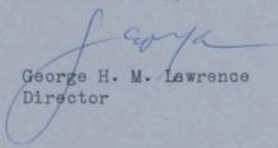
29 January 1959

Mr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director
The Morris Arboretum
9414 Meadowbrook Avenue
Philadelphia 18, Pa.

Dear Jack:

Thank you for setting me straight with regard to the locus of taxonomic activities at the University of Pennsylvania. Such is the price one pays for not getting around and meeting ones colleagues in their own environment. Henceforth, I will remain better informed as concerns your herbarium.

Most sincerely,


George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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Lawrence, Geo. H. M. Dr.

March 5, 1959

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence
L. H. Bailey Herbarium
New York State College of Agriculture
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

One of our associates has recently submitted for identification several species of ivy which neither Dr. Li nor I can name with any degree of satisfaction. I am taking the liberty of sending samples to you in the hope they are sufficiently large for purpose of determination. If you will respond by using the numbers which Dr. Li has attached to them, we can then relay this information to our friend.

I am sorry to say that I may not get to see you next Wednesday after all. I have found it necessary to schedule my Graduate Seminar between 1 and 4 Wednesday, this term which means I will not get to the Luncheon where you are to speak. I am wondering if you are going to spend any time in Philadelphia if I can have the pleasure of seeing you in the morning either here at the Arboretum or down on the campus. If this is at all possible please drop me a card so that I can arrange my plans accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

JMF:am

LAWRENCE, G. H. M.

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11 March 1959
Dictated 9 March

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr.
Morris Arboretum
9414 Meadowbrook Avenue
Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

Most of the pieces of Hedera that you sent for identification are much too fragmentary for critical identification.

The four clones that can be identified are as follows:

- B - 'Pin Oak'
- C - 'Arborea' (the adult phase)
- I - near 'Scutifolia' but of a much yellower color
- J - 'Pedata'

The clone tagged "H" appears to belong in the 'Pittsburgh' or Hahn's Branching complex, but I would not dare to lean on so fragmentary a portion.

All of these pieces are returned to you herewith with the thought that the owner may wish to get them named elsewhere. I am sorry that they are beyond me.

I regret that my trip to Philadelphia will be specifically to give the luncheon talk, returning here directly after an hour or two after the show. It would have been most pleasant to have visited with you and be brought up to date on your own activities.


With kindest regards,

Most sincerely,

George Lawrence
George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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LAWRENCE, George H.

L. H. BAILEY HORTORIUM
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3 November 1959

Morris Arboretum
Chestnut Hill
Philadelphia
Pennsylvania

Morris Arboretum Bulletin

Dear Sir:

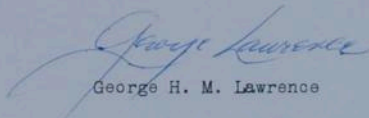
The L. H. Bailey Hortorium currently receives the above-named publication from you in exchange for our quarterly journal, BAILEYA.

We wish to continue this exchange. However, to expedite our cataloguing of all the periodicals we receive, we ask that you send this journal to the following new address -

A. R. Mann Library
BH Dept.
Ithaca, New York, U. S. A.

In the event the A. R. Mann Library is now on your mailing list, please note that this change does not affect copies now being sent to them. It is only that the L. H. Bailey Hortorium copy is to be processed by them and then delivered to the L. H. Bailey Hortorium library.

Very truly yours,



George H. M. Lawrence

Director

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November 9, 1959

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence, Director
L. H. Bailey Hortorium
New York State College of Agriculture
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

Dear George:

We have your letter of November 3 requesting a change in the mailing address of your copy of our Bulletin. We shall see that this is made effective as of the next issue.

It was good to see you at Rochester and I thought that the meetings were exceptionally interesting.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

JMF:am

October 11, 1961

Dr. George H.M. Lawrence, Director
The Hunt Botanical Library
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear George:

Many many thanks for the copy of the beautiful volume on the Hunt Library which has just reached me. It is a handsome piece of printing as well as an informative and interesting document.

I was desperately sorry not to be able to attend the dedication ceremonies. As luck would have it, all of my teaching this term is compressed into a single day, but that day happens to be Tuesday.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

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THE RACHEL McMASTERS MILLER HUNT BOTANICAL LIBRARY
CARNEGIE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
PITTSBURGH 13, PENNSYLVANIA

GEORGE H. M. LAWRENCE
Director

4 April 1962

Morris Arboretum
Attn: Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Jack:

The Hunt Botanical Library is engaged in the production of a quarto size facsimile of L'Héritier de Brutelle's Sertum Anglicum, a rare work published in Paris in 1789-92 [1788 on title page], accounting for 126 species of plants new or rare at Kew and vicinity. It contains 35 engraved plates, mostly by P. J. Redouté and by James Sowerby.

In the facsimile we will present also the results of new and critical studies of the author, the artists, the plants, and the bibliography of the book. These will be under the separate authorship of Dr. Frans A. Stafleu, Mr. Wilfrid Blunt, and Messers J. S. L. Gilmour and L. G. J. Williams. Publication is scheduled for late 1962.

Complete copies of the work are more rare than was at first believed to be the case. Furthermore, two distinct editions are found to exist: one with text on 36 numbered pages, another with same text on 20 numbered pages. Literature reports exist of there being copies printed on one of two kinds of paper [papier vélin, papier capulet]. These have not been verified by studies to date (none has been found on papier vélin).

We believe that a report in the facsimile edition for the location of known copies, and of the completeness and edition of each, will be most useful to future botanical studies. To make this possible I ask you to fill in the short questionnaire enclosed with this letter, and to return it to me at earliest opportunity. Your cooperation is invited.

Sincerely yours,

George
George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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*Have sent this ltr also to U. of P. Librarian
It is likely that the Tree Library would have a copy
I did not send the report to Ellen Stafleu*

April 11, 1962

Dr. George H.M. Lawrence, Director
The Hunt Botanical Library
Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania

Dear George:

I am returning your questionnaire on the Sertum Anglicum with a negative reply, which will not surprise you.

Also, I have checked with Ellen Shaefer at the Free Library and Ann Waterman at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society - answer is no at both places, as well as at the Union Library Catalog, who told us they had already heard from you.

This would seem to be one of the rarest of all items and it is exciting to learn that you plan a facsimile of it.

Best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

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LAWRENCE, Geo H M.

The Rachel McMaisters Miller Hunt Botanical Library

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Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania

GEORGE H. M. LAWRENCE
DIRECTOR

2 July 1962

Dr. John M. Fogg, Jr., Director
The Morris Arboretum
9414 Meadowbrook Avenue
Philadelphia 18, Pa.

Dear Jack,

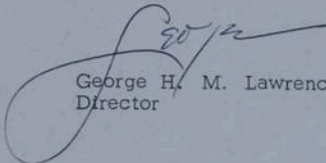
The article in the June issue of your Bulletin by Edith C. Gall, The Styracaceae in the Philadelphia Area has been read with interest. It is a good article and contributes in succinct form much information useful to the advanced plantsman.

Without disturbing Miss Gall, whom I do not have the pleasure of knowing, I write to ask you from an editorial standpoint why an author is allowed to close the article with a list of publications under the heading "Literature Cited" when not one item of the works included are cited. The possible exception to this might be reference to Rehder's designation of Styrax dasyantha as being hardy in Zone V. All of this looks to me like so much padding.

While I'm raising the question, I would also object to citing articles in journals without giving the title of the article cited. Because of its non-conformance with general international taxonomic usage, I object furthermore to placing a period after volume numbers instead of the conventional colon. As editor of the Bulletin you undoubtedly have good reason for these points but if so there is no consistency because on page 30 in the bibliography you do provide a colon, for example, after volume numbers and list the citations in an entirely different format. Surely every author is not allowed to go rampant and use any format that suits an uninformed fancy.

All this griping is just between us, but I do think there is a small opportunity for some improvement.

Most cordially yours,



George H. M. Lawrence
Director

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LAWRENCE, Geo. H. H. DR.

July 9, 1962

Dr. George H. M. Lawrence, Director
The Hunt Botanical Library
Carnegie Institute
Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania

Dear George:

Many thanks for your very frank letter of recent date. I agree with practically everything you say and am truly grateful to you for your statements of opinion.

In the transition of our quarterly Bulletin from a purely popular journal to a publication with at least semi-serious and scholarly aspirations there have been many growing pains. When for example, Mrs. Gall who is a beginning graduate student, first prepared her article on the Styracaceae, she designated her references as "Bibliography." Then, noting that the prevailing statement in journals was "Literature Cited", she changed it and neither Dr. Li, Dr. Allison (who help me edit the Bulletin) nor I caught the shift. The final responsibility rests with me, but I was away while the Bulletin was going through page-proof.

I still feel that there is a place for a list of references labeled as "Bibliography", but I agree completely with you that if these are designated as "Literature Cited", then they must have been cited in the article.

With respect to the use of a colon after a volume number I am also in complete agreement. For several years I edited the "Index to American Botanical Literature" and I simply can not understand how this error crept in. It is entirely my fault.

The one point on which I am inclined to disagree with you is on the need for the complete title of an article cited in a journal. It seems to me that if the writer cites the author, journal, volume, page number and year, this is sufficient to lead the reader to the reference.

I have taken the liberty of showing your letter to Dr. Li and Dr. Allison and also to Edith Gall. We all agree that you have done us a real service in writing as you have and are resolved in the future to avoid the infelicities which prompted your letter.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John M. Fogg, Jr.,
Director

JMF:am