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Dear Prof. Laing,

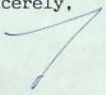
The grass *Chrysochloa hindsii* was named in honor of J. Hinds who collected in Ghana. He was active about 1947 but where employed I do not know.

In order to complete the entry for *hindsii* in my forthcoming "Etymological Dictionary of the Grasses" I require his full name, years of birth and death as well as his usual occupation.

If you can help with any of these facts I will be most grateful. For your information a page of the Dictionary is enclosed.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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