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Dear Dr. Servant,

I write seeking biographical information on Jules Godefroy a former Director of the Agricultural College at Grand-Jouan late last century. He is honored in the grass species *Ehrharta godefroyi*. I would like to include the years of his birth and death for my forthcoming "Etymological Dictionary of the Grasses".

If you know of any sources of biographical data I would be grateful for your assistance.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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Professor of Botany

P.S. I read but do not write French.