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Cambridge, Mass. 13.

Dear, Prof. Beesey; I send a  
leaf of Potatae with *P. infectans*.  
I have not examined this particular  
leaf with the microscope and  
so cannot swear to the *Peronospora*.  
If it does not prove to be  
good I will try another.

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I have not seen any  
account of the germination  
of *Peronospora* oospores other  
than what you mention as to  
Smith. I have given up having  
any opinion about his work  
since the Coprinus development  
business which was too bad  
for anything. I suppose your

noticed that the spores of  
the *P. infestans* developed in  
a "saucer" in which the water  
was kept in a sloping  
position"! Under such conditions  
one might expect anything.

I have secured a copy  
of Gilbert's Exerc. which contains  
the "*Cecoma Bitatum*" to  
which I presume the fungus on  
*Polygonum* must be referred.  
Several days ago I heard  
that it would be forwarded  
in a box which leaves Haare  
in a few days.

My address at  
Baltimore will be simply  
Botanical Lab. John  
Hopkins Univer.

Yours, in haste  
W. C. Turlow.