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Dear Sir

My father has examined our collections of last summer as far as the end of the Rosaceae and to-day I have sent you a packet containing everything that had not at one time or another been sent you before. My father would like you to give him your opinion upon the specimens sent under the following names.

- *Shalictrum* ~~puberulus~~ *polygamum*, Muhl
- *Stellaria* ~~obtusica~~ *crispa*, Ch. Presl
- ——— *calycanthra* = *borealis*
- *Sphaeralcea* ~~acutifolia~~ *acutifolia*, Nutt
- *Astragalus* ~~gibbatus~~ *collinus*, Dougl.
- ——— *filipes*! = *A. stenophyllus*, Nutt
- ——— ~~lentiginosus~~ *beckwithii*, Torr.
- *Onobrychis* *sativa* ~~var. (?)~~!
- *Prunus* *Virginiana*? = *P. demissa*, Walp. - I suppose

- *Boltonia asteroides*, L'Hér.
- *Rubus leucodermis* & *strigosus* perhaps so
- *Potentilla nivalis* var. *millegrana*!
- *Dissecta*! var. (?)
- *Fragaria vesca* (!)
- *Supina* *laxiflora* ?? Calyx not markedly ribbed
+ bracts persistent

The roses collected this year are numbered
and your determinations may be sent under
the ~~lot~~ numbers upon the labels.

Dr. Seward Watson
Cambridge
Mass.

Yours Truly
Jos. M. Macoun

- Lathyrus "Argemus" = L. Nuttallii, Watson
- "Tissa borealis" = *Ruda borealis*, W. - Where did you
get your name?
- Ran. "natanus" = *R. multifida*, var. *tennensis*, Gray
- Ran. *agrostifolia*, var. *trichophyllus*
+ var. *caspibosus*, Dr. ("var. *trichophyllus*")
with some *trichophyllus*
- R. orthocentrus*, var. *platyphyllus*, Gray
- Physocarpus opulifolius*, Max. (*Chamaejasme*, no good)

Rosa nutkana !

" *gymnocarpa* !

" *micrantha* !

" *nigida* !

" "*Carolina*" = *incida*

" *pisocarpa* + 1-4, probably all forms of *R. pisocarpa*. I am uncertain when to draw the line between this species + *R. hendleri* or whether they are really dist.

Elaeagnus obtusa !

Luzula comosa, var. *submissilis* = *L. comosa*

L. comosa = a ^{var} loose-flowered form, also from Oregon

L. spadicosa, DC !

" "var. *subcongesta*" = var. *parviflora*

" *L. acutata*" = dwarf form of the last

var. 20/9



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