

Have you ever noticed
that much of our
Polytrichum commune
appears to be the
var *perigoniale*?
~~which~~ I see *Simplicifolia*
restores ~~to a~~ ^{the} species
perigoniale Michx.

I have been looking
over my spec^s lately
and *commune* is
scarcer than *perigoniale*.

Mrs Kennedy & Snelan
are both getting on
well & wish to be
kindly remembered
to you

Sincerely yrs
W. G. Kennedy

Readville Mass
8 Feb 99

Dear Mr Collins,

I am sorry indeed
to hear that your
health has been such
as to keep you from
work, for I know
somewhat by my
own experience
how unpleasant
that is. Let us
hope that for both
of us the Spring days
may be kinder: I
have always stood
up for the climate
of Boston, but of
late it has treated

me shabbily and
I begin to rebel.
I have not been out
since a week ago
Saturday & though
my cold loosens
the storm outside
is the very devil today.
It will drive me
off to Florida if it
don't let up.

The bundle of Potrias
came last evening
and I thank you
much. I will
take care of them
& prob. return soon:
what I am after
is New England spec-

imens & nobody seems
to have any. I shall
accept your kind
offer to me to take
some of the truncata
for the Brown Campus
with the label you
send with it. I
shall shortly send
you some of the
Maine spec.: I have
been studying Calyptrae
of Potria, owing to what
Britton says of
the distinction, there
but I have not found
them as constant
as I expected, &
Mr Rand is to send
me all his specimens
of this new Potria.



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