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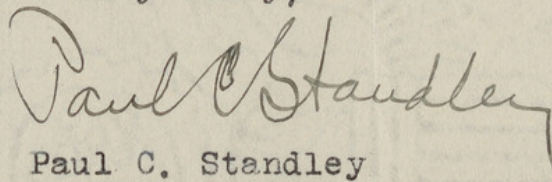
Mr. Charles Schweinfurth,  
Botanical Museum, Oxford Street,  
Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Schweinfurth:

Immediately upon receipt of your letter of November 9, I made an attempt to find our material of Maxillaria Rousseauae, and I expected there would be no difficulty about it. After careful search, however, I have been unable to find anything that can possibly represent this species. I found in the herbarium an unnamed Maxillaria obtained by Mr. Pittier from Mrs. Rousseau's collection, but the specimen was made in 1911 instead of 1914, and the plant is evidently quite a distinct thing from the one described by Schlechter, being much smaller in all its parts.

In 1914 Mr. Pittier was working in Panama, more or less independently, and I think it is probable that he made a single specimen which was forwarded to Schlechter with the result that we do not have anything in the herbarium to represent this species.

Yours very truly,



Paul C. Standley  
Associate Curator,  
Division of Plants.



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