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Mr. Oakes Ames,
North Easton, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Ames:

We are forwarding, by prepaid express, as a loan, a box containing 660 specimens of orchids, including 24 sheets of type material. This shipment includes the material requested in your recent letters to Mr. Maxon and myself. We are sending, also, the miscellaneous unnamed specimens of the family from Central America, and some from Mexico, as well as some sheets from northern South America which are named only generically. Please do not feel under any obligations with regard to naming the Mexican and South American material, for this has been sent only because of the possibility that it might be of aid in your work upon the Central American species. We have included also the Mexican material of the genera sent and that from northern South America with the same purpose in view. The present shipment includes our set of Mr. Johnson's orchid collections in Guatemala, and four specimens from Jamaica collected by Mr. Maxon of which there were no duplicates. I trust the shipment will reach you promptly.

In a good many cases I notice there are two sheets of some of the collections sent and in other instances there is ample material upon the sheet of some of the smaller plants. If you would care to have some of the duplicate sheets sent you in exchange when the specimens are returned to us, or if you would care to have material taken from the sheets that can be divided, we shall be glad to send on such specimens to you as a continuation of our exchanges.

Sincerely yours,

Paul C. Standley

Paul C. Standley
Assistant Curator,
Division of Plants.



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