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Mr. Oakes Ames, 355 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Ames:

We are forwarding, by mail, a package containing 4 specimens of orchids collected in the State of Sinaloa, Mexico, and for which we should appreciate having your identifications when it may be convenient to send them. The specimens are duplicates and need not be returned to us.

Thank you very much for the identifications of the Central American orchids just received. I was naturally much interested in going over the list, and I regret that it is not a great deal more extensive. I have asked Doctor Calderón to make a special effort to take specimens of all the orchids that he may find upon his trips, and I am sure that he will do so. There must be many more species than those now known from the country. It is rather unfortunate that Schlechter is going ahead with the publication of the Central American orchids, but perhaps after he has finished with the present lot of material he will not have anything further to work upon. If I can only get down to Costa Rica this year, I think it will not be very difficult, through personal contact, to make arrangements to have such orchids as are obtained by the collectors there forwarded to you for identification. I suspect, however, that Mr. Jiménez is not doing very much in the way of collecting at the present time.

Sincerely yours,

Paul C. Standley

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Assistant Curator,
Division of Plants.



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