

December 19th, 1910.

My dear Dr. Schlechter:-

Your letter of Dec. 2nd has just come. I have already written to say that Dr. Kranzlin's monograph is at hand. I have found many inconsistencies in it which I am at a loss to explain. The species seem to be distributed among the sections in many cases with a total disregard of affinity, so that I feel it is rather a badly arranged catalogue than a well coordinated treatment. One can not depend on the keys and as the species are not always in their proper sections one can not search through the sections with a feeling of finality.

I note what you say about the size of your herbarium. You may be interested to know that my herbarium, excluding drawings and photographs of types, numbers over 12,000 specimens. My library which is devoted chiefly to literature on orchids is at present in excess of 8,000 volumes.

It is my intention to arrange for an expedition to Central America and if I am successful I shall be in a position to send you material sometime in the future. I am also contemplating an expedition to Borneo. As a result I ought to be able to secure some of your duplicates by exchange before very long.

Yours sincerely,

*Baker Ames*



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