355 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass., U. S. A. March 10th, 1920.

My dear Dr. Schlechter:

of 5th February with your suggestions regarding the publication of orchid monographs. I really think we might do a good piece of work if we could get together in some way and cooperate in the handling of the different genera. I will take this matter up in detail at another time. Just now I am in the midst of preparations for a trip to Cuba. I leave to-morrow. I expected to reach Havana in February, but the labor conditions there were to unsettled and owing to troubles at the docks the steamer on which I engaged passage was taken off.

A few days ago I sent to your address vol. v of Orchidaceae. This should reach you in a week or so. Vol. VI will be ready for distribution in about two months.

I have received the reprints you have so kindly sent to me. They have been very helpful and I have derived a great deal of profit from them. Your treatment of the Central American species is very interesting.

We have had very exceptional wimter. The snow has been extraordinarily heavy and traffic has been sadly disarranged. I have been unable to get to my country house and at times communication has been so difficult that supplies have not been gotten from the farm to the railroad. When I return from Cuba I expect to be able to get to my laboratory again and I will make sketches for you of the Guam orchids you mention

in your letter. I believe I have material of all the species you mention, although some of them may be in Mania.

I expect to distribute my Bornean duplicate's in April.

I am reserving the best set for you. I hope to receive my

Chinese specimens back in the near future, although if you

think it unwise to return them at this time there is no

hurry. I am also anxious to receive some of your duplicates.

I would welcome a sketch of the Central American Habenaria Amesiana. In fact I would like to have something to show all the new species of Habenaria that you described as I am anxious to keep my North American representatives of the genus complete either with specimens or drawings.

When I return from Cuba I will write again when I feel a little less rushed than I do at this very minute.

Yours very truly,

Oakus Cinas



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