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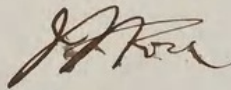
My dear Mr. Deane:

Your letter of May 9th is just at hand. I am glad to learn that the photographs reached you in good condition. The orchid photograph is the one of the Holy Ghost plant about which Mrs. Rose wrote you some time ago. I suppose you observed the dove in the center of the flower. By the way, Mrs. Rose wished me to ask whether you had received her letter or not.

I intended to enclose with the photographs a copy of the description of Roseocactus which appeared in February last, and consequently you were not able to find the name in the cactus book. This simply goes to show how unstable or perhaps incomplete our botanical knowledge is of any of the great groups of plants. Since the appearance of the monograph three new generic names of cacti have been dedicated to me; Roseocactus, Berger, of which you have the photographs; the genus Roseia by A. V. Fric of Prague; and Brittonrosea by Spegazzini of Argentina. It seems to me that I am getting more than my share of generic names.

Mrs. Rose and I have just received an invitation to the unveiling of Doctor Gray's bust at the Hall of Fame of New York University next week. We should both love to go, but doubt whether we can or not. I suppose I owe my invitation to Doctor Robinson who, I see, is to deliver the address. I have also been invited to attend commencement out at Wabash College this year and I rather expect now that I shall go out for a few days.

Yours very truly,



J. N. Rose
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Division of Plants.



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