

has not been recognized?

By the way *Sesleria Antephora* can not be radicans, as male & female flowers are so very distinct. I learn from Gray that Nuttall has proposed the name *Callanthemis*, that Bentl. pl. Hartw. names it a species of *Tridax* and that Neumann concedes p 347 all, it *Lasiostegia humilis*.

I have among Lindley's another division grass from the Coast of Texas both of which I am studying & intend to publish - Do you know any other division grasses - the U. S.?

The Texas one occurs also in Florida I learn from Gray 's Cat.

I have sent Euphorbia to Newberry.

What is Tremont, Geograph. Memoir on California and your botanical Notes to it? I do not know it. - Can you get a copy for me?

Yours ever truly

Graybauer

If you like I can send you my sketches of *Sisyrinchium* before publishing

Echinospermum I can not understand well. We have here *Lappula*, and it also covers up the Missouri. At Fort Pierre another species is more common which I have taken for *E. patulum*. But a specimen from Asia received from Ledebour as *Lobelia* *E. patulum* is very different and has the deeply undulating nuts which I find in other Missouri and especially Texas Specimens. These I had named provisionally *E. umbellatum* but had imagined that Nuttall might have intended his *Polygonum pilosum* for this plant. I am now gratified to find in Pepe's Report that you also take this view and say, it is *P. strictum* Nees. - But what of that Siberian specimen?

I see now that my Chenopodiina is your Ch. *Miquelianae*, and that Miquel does not see the single or triple flowers and the 2-4 stigmas - but what about the horizontal or vertical seeds? - Is that a mistake of mine? and the subdivisious flowers?

The only way to satisfy ourselves about the identity of *Sesleria dactyloides* and *Auloploca axillaris* is to sow seed - I have 2 grains which seem to be ripe and shall try to germinate them. I find the plant also among Haydins.

Steudel I see describes Drummond's plant.
But thought similar to A. elegans it can
be no congener I think, nor even
paniceous - unless I mis-understand
it, which is very possible, as I have
not studied grasses much. It seems
to me to have a much more regular
structure, than Steudel admits.

2 glumes, each 3 cuspidate, the interior (b),
one connate with the smaller exterior (a) one
pushed outside, and both forming part of
the general involucrum; exterior palea (c)
3 cuspidate, turned towards the axis
of the spike (this point puzzles me -
it ought to be turned from the axis - out-
side?); interior palea (d) bicarinate
but turned outside, flattened seed (e)
convex face outside, concave inside
i.e. towards the axis of the spikelet.



These two bracts do not exist - or rather enclose 2-4
spikelets - the top point, f, of interior glume is always present.

and

St Louis April 14 1858

My Dear Doctor

I was most pleasant-
ly surprised to receive another letter
from you so soon - and perhaps you
was not less startled to get message
upon message from me. Such mighty
changes in insectivore habits as
little grass can produce! But we
are not all air and yet, with Aste-
phora and Sisyrinchium, I must write
again. Steudel is wrong in one thing
or rather - many - the grass is not glabra.
but ciliata-pilosa - (or is Drummond
glabrosa?) the involucrum is not irregular
fissile, but regular as I
represented it on the next page; and
glumae &c valvulae omnes are not
subovaliter, only what he calls in-
volucrum, as indicated in f.

Note on Chenopodiæ you will find
on the other page.

I inclose an Amaranthaceous plant
from the upper Missouri, what is it?
Among Hayden's are also
Kochia Draba - may the female be
also so distinct in appearance that it



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