

355 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass. Feb. 8, 1922.

My dear Dr. Powell:

You asked me to send to you any observations I made as I worked through your specimens. Today I have been busy with *Polystachya* as represented in Central America and the West Indies. Your 122 referred to *P. panamensis* Schltr. ined., is painfully close to *P. minor* Fawc. & Rendle. a Jamaican species which also reaches British Guiana, according to its authors, and is a native of Mexico and Panama according to my observations. I do not see on what characters Dr. S. separates his species based on your 122 from *P. minor*. Furthermore he has recently published a new species under the name *P. guatemalensis* comparing it with *P. minor*. If you do not happen to have material of *P. minor*, I will send you a few flowers and the original description of the species.

You may be sure that I am counting the days in anticipation of another package of your valued material.

Yours faithfully,

Robert C. Green

P.S. Perhaps you could obtain *P. minor* from Hope Gardens Jamaica in exchange for something and by growing the species in your garden compare the Panaman plant with it.



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