Recd Jan 21
Ans — 24

Ognawka, Ills., Jan. 19/74.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for the information in regard to Eleocharis Engelmanni and note on Grindelia.

I send you by mail to day a specm of the var detonsa. I found only 4 good specms — did not look for it much — taking it for form of obtusa.

The specm I keep has a little longer spikes — I send 2 or 3 spikes from it — stuck in a piece of paper.

You will notice a tendency to produce little spikes from the base of the larger one, — as many as 3 spikes in the specm I send you show this peculiarity. Do it so in any other species — and in the typical form of this species?

I also send 2 or 3 Juncei. Please

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look over them at your leisure, and if anything but *tenuis* and *megacephalus* please let me know.

Can you send me 2 or 3 specs of the typical *Elaeocharis Engelmanni*? If so I will be glad to send in exchange (if I find it, that is) specs of the rare next season.

Yours
Very respectfully,
H. N. Patterson

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Oquawka,
Henderson County, Ills.

P. S. — I have photographs of several of the principal botanists of the U. S. and would be very glad to get yours. May I have it?

Perhaps I could collect some things for you here that would be of interest to you. *Panicum autumnale*, *Enagrostis tenuis* & *Franklin*

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Euphorbia luminotinata & Geyeri, Frodelichia, Cycloloma, &c, I usually find plenty of. I will send you list of our plants as soon as printed.

Yours very truly,

H. M. P.

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OQUAWKA, ILL., Nov. 16, 1874.

DEAR SIR:

I propose to issue, for circulation among the working Botanists of this State, a little monthly sheet (about the size of the Torrey Botanical Bulletin) devoted to the publication of a Catalogue of the

PLANTS OF ILLINOIS.

I shall aim to include all species and marked varieties known to occur within our limits—to give localities and collectors' names for those which are not common—and indicate the area of distribution of such species as do not occur throughout the State. Three pages will be devoted to the List and one to miscellaneous notes.

I beg your co-operation in this matter.

Inclosed you will receive the first sheets of a list printed for the purpose of collecting information on the subject. It is made up from Mr. I. A. Lapham's List—published in 2d Vol. Trans. Ill. Ag'l Soc'y, 1856-7—the additional list in 4th Vol. by Dr. Vasey and others, and several local catalogues.

Please mark (by a — at the left of the name) every species and variety which you know grows in the State—especially those which I have omitted—give all stations of rare plants known to you—note any peculiarity of the species not mentioned in our popular Manuals, and as far as possible indicate the Northern limit of species having a Southern range and vice versa.

☞ I hope also that you will contribute to our page of miscellaneous notes.

Yours very respectfully,

HARRY N. PATTERSON.

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Rec Nov 24
An — 26

Aquarka, Ills, Nov. 16/94,

Dr. Geo. Engelmann

Dear Sir:

You have helped our botanists before in making up Catalogues of our Plants, and I now take the liberty of sending you this circular and asking your assistance in making up as complete a list ~~as~~ possible.

If you will do so, ~~please~~ and can mark up the enclosed sheets by Dec. 15th please do so — if not keep them until you have time. Will send more of the list as soon as I have time to print it.

My father sent me some specs of a Nicotiana collected while you were at Georgetown, Colorado, last summer. Is it attenuata?

Yours very respectfully

Harry N. Patterson.

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Rec Dec 8th
Ans Jan 22

Aquawka, Ills., Dec. 7, 1874.

Dr. Engelmann.

Dear Sir;

Thanks for your ~~offer~~ promise to help us in getting up catalogue of Ills. plants.

Doubtless you know ~~all the pl~~ what plants grow in Ills opposite St. Louis even when you have not collected them yourself.

~~In~~ I send the balance of the list to Compositae. When these sheets (the first 8) are returned I wish to prepare the copy for that ~~that~~ much of the list.

Cuscuta cuspidata is indeed an interesting find. I would be glad to exch. something interesting from this locality for it. Would you oblige me by speaking to Mr. Eggert on the ~~subj~~ subject, or give me his address?

Yours very respy Harry N. Patterson,
(over).

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Yes, I will notice introduced plants in the list, but forgot to do so in my proof-list.

Argemone Mexicana grows here about gardens & roadsides — escaped from cult.

Cleome integrifolia is common here in waste places & spreads along roads. Int. ~~many~~ probably 7 to 10 years ago — how I know not.

Lecchea thymifolia was probably a mistake.

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Rec Feb 1
Ans April 22

Checklist.
Insert & Correction
desired

Patterson

Oquawka, Ills., Jan. 28/75.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of 22d inst. recd. I ~~was~~ feared you had forgotten me, and was very glad to hear from you. I will answer your queries in order, premising by saying ~~that~~ I include in my "proof-list" all the plants which have been published as Ills pls in the various lists which have appeared in the Repts of Agl Socy, &c., &c. Many pls have been admitted to our flora which have really never been found, and it is for the purpose of getting rid of these species and ascertaining the range of those which really belong to our flora that I issue the proof-list first.

Now for your queries:

Vitis aulpina was given in Vol. 4, Trans. Agl. Soc. - I doubtless a mistake as I never heard of it from no one.

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Vitis Labrusca is prob. a mistake also
" bipinnata is found ~~in~~ at Grand Tower (Jackson Co., I believe) by Prof. Trenchy, from whom I have specimens.
Acer rubrum grows in the S.-side Dorey, Forbes, &c
Sufrinus perennis, common near Chicago, also in Ogle Co.
Lespedeza Stuvei Prof. Hill reports in Kankakee Co.
Viburnum obovatum I copied from Dr. Parry's Catalogue - probably a mistake.

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If not too much trouble I wish you would go over the proof-list & mark all the plants which you know to grow in the region opposite St. Louis (indicating the Co. when other than St. Clair.) It may give me a hint for some southern species & vice versa, and would be of interest to me anyhow. Any notes on the frequency of the species &c

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would also be gladly recd by me — as your information would be reliable, & that is what I wish in making up this list. Only one other proof-list is out, now — that sent to Dr. Schneck, who is said to have found Cabomba Caroliniana in Wabash Co.

I notice your name is given in the Manual as authority for Malvastrum angustum on Rock Island — do you know of any other station in Ills, or on the opposite bank of the Miss. river?

Yours very respectfully,
Harry N. Patterson.

Will be very glad to receive the specimen of Ascenta auriculata or which you kindly promise me.

H. N. P.

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Rec Feb 26 9
Ans — 28

I have examined up to Compositae

Ogdensburg, Ills.,
Feb. 25, 1895.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann,

Dear Sir: — You asked about Carya ovalata & C. microcarpa in Henderson County. The former species is very common here in Miss. bottoms — but don't know whether we have the other.

I would be very glad to get a bulb of Allium stellatum in the spring, if you have it to spare.

Have at length finished list of Ills. plants, a copy of which I send you by this mail. I would be very glad if you could some time take a leisure hour to look through it carefully and add any information or make any corrections which you think of, as I am

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corrections to make it as nearly correct as possible. The Cusenia candidata was omitted, as I had printed the list past ~~that~~ some before I rec'd your letter, but I will give it in the first supplement, next fall,

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Very respectfully yours,
Henry W. Patterson.

Mr. Bebb found in Winnebago Co. a number of oaks, apparently hybrids of alba and macrocarpa, (one tree had the lvs of both species.)

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Rec'd April 8
Ans — 22

Aquanuka, Ills.,
April 2, 1875.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann,
Dear Sir;

When I wrote you last I thought I had no seeds of Cleome integrifolia but while looking over my duplicates I found a fruiting specimen. The seeds from which I enclose, probably some of them will grow. If they do not I will send some fresh ones in July or Aug which will. — Please tell my friend to plant them immediately — if once started it will attend to itself, and being unmolested by domestic animals will thrive anywhere.

I cannot find mention of Yergia Texana in any of my books. What Nat Order?

You forgot to sign your

last, or letter you would give me your photograph on me.

Yours very respectfully
Thomas N. Patterson,

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Rec'd May 1st

Oquawka, Ills.,
April 29/75.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann.

Dear Sir:

I was very agreeably surprised, as well as delighted, to receive, last Saturday evening, the pkge of Juncci you so kindly sent me. Now that I have authentic specimens for comparison in case of doubt, I shall give this genus more study.

Your letter came Monday a.m. Thanks for the notes on Bergia. Thinking it a Southern plant I never looked in King's Report, where I now find description.

Will be very glad to receive the photograph when you have one.

Rev. E. J. Hill sent me specimens of "Juncus Greenii" from Kankakee Co., Ills. I have carefully compared it with the specimens in Herb. n. and it-

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seems to me to be correctly named, but as I have but just commenced the study of this difficult genus, and do not wish to make any mistakes in the list of our plants I wish you to examine it. I send one of the specs by this mail.

Again thanking you for the Juncei, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Harry N. Patterson,

(I enclose postage pd on pkge.)

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Rec'd Sept 6
Ans — 7

Aquarka, Ills.,
Aug. 31/75.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann.
Dear Sir:

I spent two delightful months in the neighborhood of Georgetown, Colo., this summer, returning about a week ago. Nearly everything I saw was new to me and you may imagine how I enjoyed botanizing there. Then, I had the company of Rev. E. L. Greene in many of my excursions.

At the base of Gray's Peak I found specimens of Gentiana prostrata and G. tenella which Mr. Greene pronounced larger than any he had ever seen, and thinking they might interest you, I send duplicate. G. humilis I found in great abundance in the lower part of Georgetown — can send you them of it if you desire but cannot get at one just now.

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Am suffering now in our heated Dells, air — and our Flora seems so dry & uninteresting.

Yours very respectfully,
Harry N. Patterson

If the seeds of Cleome integrifolia did not grow can now send fresh ones. I noticed it had spread across Kansas to the Mo. River — as has that terrible weed of the future — Solanum rostratum.

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Rec'd Oct X
Ans — 10

Aquarka, Ills.,
Oct. 7/75.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann.

Dear Sir;

Your last letter was duly rec'd but I have waited until I could get plenty of ripe seeds of Cleome integrifolia — which I send by this mail. — If your friend will plant it along the roadside or in any waste place he will probably have enough of it next year — and ever after. It doesn't seem to take kindly to cultivation.

The weather, during the two months I was in Colorado was nearly all of one kind — and a very cool and wet kind it was. But the rains usually came in the afternoon — and so getting wet seemed to have no bad effect on anything except my portfolio I did not

allow the weather to interfere much with my botanizing using a basket and umbrella when it was very wet.

I much prefer Illinois to Colorado - except for botanizing.

I got a few Juncí, mostly too young, of which I send duplicates by this mail. Will you kindly look over them and tell me what they are?

The Ills. Catalogue is progressing - slowly.

Very respectfully yours,
H. N. Patterson.

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Rec'd March 4th

Ogdensburg, Ills.,
March 3/1876.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann.

Dear Sir:— Your favor of 26th ult. was rec'd. Many thanks for the interesting additions and corrections of List—wp. to Compositae. Will remember them for its Supplement. Also for the bulbs of Camassia & Allium. Will get Scilla Fraseri for you. Allium triquetrum I have never found.

No, I have not seen nearly all the plants enumerated in the Catalogue, but am trying to get specs of all. Hard to rely upon my correspondts. Most of them, as you probably know, are excellent botanists, some, like myself, are inexperienced. Please name the plants out which you are in doubt and if I have specs of any of them will send to you for exam.

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vination.

About Isoëtes deltaspora – I have no doubt myself ~~that~~ it runs into I. engelmanni – through rare, palinate distinct as it usually appears. I will send some specs as soon as I have time to look over my duplicates – also, some of what I call Cuyna melanota.

Am always very glad to hear from you.

Would be much pleased to receive your photograph. Very I have it &c.

Very respectfully yours,

Henry N. Patterson.

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I presume Matricaria discoidea should have been printed in italics. ?

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Rec March 8th
Ans — "

Ognawka, Ills.,
March 7/1876.

Dr. Engelmann,

Dear Sir: - I was glad to receive balance of notes & an Ill. Catalogue.

I send you now a few specs by mail. From among some things laid aside for study I send three which I would like you to examine: 1st, an Aster, very common here in Miss. bottoms, with Helenium, Vernonia &c (Have never seen Vernonia here with acute involucral scales.) 2d, an Amaranthus which differs considerably from the nightflower, much branched from ob a, alba which is common here. This plant spreads flat on the ground - the lvs are shining, the plant very sensitive to frost.

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35, a Potentilla which I take to be your millegrana

I send fragment of Monarda Clinopodia – the only duplicate I have now.

A specn of Scutellaria parvula var mollis, which you may not have.

Also of Viola delphinifolia & form passing to cucullata. I called these in a meadow in Miss, bottoms, where were typical delph. & cucullata, with every grade of transitional forms – (as I thought.)

Enclosed is Chimaphilus parvulus? I had confounded it with Chimaa!

I also send the specns of Carya you desired. A is what I call mkeata. It grows in the Miss. bottoms with C. olivae forms has a loose bark & is not confounded with any other hickory by me

non-botanical people, being known (the fruit) as the "big shellbark". It is gathered in large quantity some seasons. The wood is known as "bottom hickory". I send in another page some of the nuts. These were all gathered in one day, and within a radius of half a mile & show considerable variation in the shape of ~~fruit~~ nut. The one marked "Common" is the usual form. I had some with thinner shell, but cannot find any now.

"B" grows in the bottoms, with Quercus nigra. It is known as "hard-head" hickory nut — the nuts have a small kernel which it is difficult to extract, and are not gathered for eating. I have no fruit of it at hand now, nor mature leaves of either species.

Does Mr. Eggert collect for ex-

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change? I wish to get some of the St. Clair county plants which I have not yet seen, & if you can give me the name of some one in St. Louis who has not our Northern plants would be thankful to you.

Very respectfully yours,
H. N. Patterson.

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Rec April 13

Herbarium of Harry N. Patterson,

OQUAWKA, Henderson Co., ILL., April 12, 1878.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann,

Dear Sir:

I send you specs of our Ceratophyllum dem. v. echinatum and of your Eleocharis, as you requested. I am behind time in sending out my specs for last season.

I thank you very much for the interesting papers on Juniperus, Agave Shaw, Abies, and Quercus, which you kindly sent me.

I shall always be grateful for the kind attention you showed me while in your city, and for your determinations of plants for me.

Hoping that I may find something interesting this season I remain

Yours very respectfully

H. N. P.

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Rec March 16

HERBARIUM OF HARRY N. PATTERSON,

OQUAWKA, Henderson Co., ILL.,

Mch 15, 1880.

Dr. Engelmann.

Dear Sir: I am working up the material on hand for 1st Supplement to the Catalogue of Ill. Plant which I published in 1876. Have been going over the notes you kindly sent in, among others, and write to ask if you have anything later to add.

I am giving also the changes of names — as: Anemone Caroliniana = A. decapetala, &c., for the benefit of many of our botanists who have small libraries — like myself. I have Watson's Index, the Synopt. Flora 1 vol. and Watson's Chenopodiaceae & Liliaceae. If you will give me the changes of names so far as they affect Ill. plant in Orders not included in these publications — or such of them as occur to you without much looking up — I will thank you

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for such information.

Our mutual friend, Rev. E. L. Greene, writes that he is already counting upon a "half-promised visit next fall from Engelmann and Parry" in his new home. He is certainly in a very interesting region.

I am expecting Dr. Parry to stop a day or two with me on his way East.

Yours very truly,

H. N. Patterson.

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Pomatini aspera
(Schrad.) Skottsberg

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Rec April 18
Ans — 13

Gentian last issue

HERBARIUM OF HARRY N. PATTERSON,

OQUAWKA, Henderson Co., ILL.,

Apl. 9, 1880.

Dear Dr. Engelmann.

Have been very busy on our weekly newspaper and quit letter writing for awhile. Now I have leisure again. I find a specimen of one of the Gentians showing fruit — G. setigera? and send herewith. The G. Oregana is all gone.

I enclose proof for label. Could print these plain labels at 70c per 1000 if you wish a large number of them. If you order of me, please say which style of type you like best, if either pleases you and cut paper for both sizes of labels to the exact size you desire.

Truly yours,
H. N. Patterson.

Label enclosed for the closed gentian.

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Rec Apl 26
Ans — —

HERBARIUM OF HARRY N. PATTERSON,

OQUAWKA, Henderson Co., ILL.,

Apl. 24, 1880.

Dear Dr. Engelmann.

Your letter was recd in due time, but the paper which you mentioned on back of envelope never came. Did you send it? I regret the loss of any of your publications.

I hope to get for you seeds of the other California gentian.

As I understand your order for labels, it is 10,000 of each size. Am I right? Will make them as cheap as I can, certainly.

A few days ago we received the sad news of the death of my father, at Denver. He has always had such good health in Colorado, but was taken with severe neuralgia which soon caused his death. I accompanied my sister (who at once left for Georgetown)

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a part of the way, and am now considerably behind on my work. Can you allow me a little more time on the labels without inconvenience to yourself?

I enclose a sheet from my botanical autograph album. Will you kindly give me name, residence & date, and anything else you choose in the way of advice to a young botanist, &c., and much oblige

Yours truly,

H. N. Patterson.

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Rec May 6th

OFFICE OF THE

OQUAWKA SPECTATOR.

J. B & H. N. PATTERSON.
$2 a year, in advance.

Oquawka, Ill., May 5, 1880.

Dear Dr. Engelmann:

I send herewith a part of the labels – some of both kinds, so that you need not be inconvenienced by further delay. Will finish them up as I have time.

Thank you very much for the Pinus paper with its elegant plates.

I am going down to pay a long promised visit of a couple of days with our mutual friend, Dr. Mead, with whom you corresponded before I was born!

Respectfully yours,
H. N. Patterson.

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Ans same day declining.

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HERBARIUM OF HARRY N. PATTERSON,

OQUAWKA, HENDERSON CO., ILL.,

Feb. 8th 1880.

Dear Dr. Engelmann:

Since printing the check-list of Gamopetalae, (a copy of which I sent you in December), I have concluded to print a list of the Polypetalae also. At the end of this list (now half completed) I wish to put in the other Orders which have been elaborated in Apetalae and Endogenae — Chenopodiaceae and Liliaceae. Would also like to put in any scattered genera which I can get in full, i.e., all North Am. species.

I now write to ask if you can, without much trouble, give me a full list of North American Coniferae — (including Mex. species, if any, which approach our boundary and are likely to cross it). Would like the genera in their natural order — the species I put alphabetically for convenience. Perhaps you could also give

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me the Cupuliferae, or at least the genus Quercus with the species as you now regard them. Would like all varieties given which are at all distinct, with authorities.

If the above would require more work than a mere writing out of the names from your papers, do not let me trouble you with it at all, but kindly give me the changes you would now make – if any – in the papers on Quercus and Pinus which you have already sent me.

The lists are printed largely for the benefit of our botanists and my own exchanges. The profit will only be small if all the copies are sold.

Respectfully yours,
H. N. Patterson.

Will be ready for copy about Feb. 20.

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Perhaps you have Euphorbia in shape so that a list of the species could be given.

Mr. Cassino's proposed list has fallen through, at least for a time, (as I learn from the person he expected to make it-up for him, and I would like to make my list as full as possible.

I hope you enjoyed your summer in the West.

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Rec Nov 23d
Ans — —

HERBARIUM OF HARRY N. PATTERSON,
Oquawka, Ill., Nov. 22, 1882

Dear Dr. Engelmann:

I thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me the note on Marsilia, especially as I am even now beginning to get fresh notes for the purpose of issuing another edition of the list of Ill. plants, for which there is considerable demand.

Have not heard from our good friend Pringle since he left me for St. Louis, but I presume you did not make way with him there and that he is now safe in Vermont.

Among labels for Curtiss (from Reverchon, who collected for him this season) I have one for Quercus San Sabeana. I presume he must have got the name from you. Do you now consider it distinct, or should I print it Q. undulata?

What is this grape Eggert sends me? Not much material to tell from, but I might not be able to make it out if I had the whole vine. (Kindly return to me his letter when you write.)

Two more of Reverchon's plants are Croton Neo-Mexicanum Müll. Arg. — who is the auth'y? and Houstonia patens, Ell. Is this latter now considered distinct from H. coerulea, with which it is united in Chapm. Flora?

Any notes on Ill. plant will always be acceptable. You sent me a good many once before which I will now use. Yours, H. N. Patterson.

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