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Prof. P. A. Saccardo,
Padua, Italy.

my dear Sir:-

I am sending you under separate cover some specimens of fungi that occur on the cobs and lower parts of the kernels of corn in various localities of United States. I have referred this fungus to the group of *Coniosporiaceae* but I am not certain regarding the species for I have thus far found none that agrees with it in spore measurements and other respects. Might it be *Coniosporium Geae* Apiz as given in your *Syllogie* II page 248? No spore measurements of this species are given however. With your familiarity of this genus, would you consider the one I am sending as having the properties of a parasite? or would you call it only a saprophyte?

I shall be pleased to receive any information regarding this fungus that you may be able to offer. Thanking you for its kindness

I am

yours respectfully

E. S. Ayberger

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