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Dear Professor Saccardo

On my return to Peradeniya last week, I find the welcome vol XX of your Sylloge awaiting my arrival. I am extremely sorry that payment for it has been delayed so long, but I have been in England for twelve months, and the clerks here in Ceylon never informed me that it had arrived. I have sent off a money order L 82, via England, by this mail, & trust it will reach

you use at the same time as  
this letter.

May I ask your kind assistance  
in the following matter. I am  
preparing an account of the  
fungi parasitic upon scale insects  
(Coccidae), beginning with the  
genera Ascleronia and Hypocrella.  
I have a large collection of material  
from the East (Ceylon, India, Java,  
the Philippines etc), the result of  
about fifteen years collecting by  
our entomologist, Mr. E. E. Green,  
who is a specialist on Coccidae  
and receives them from all parts  
of the world. Also I have seen

all the material of these genera  
in the herbaria at Kew, the British  
Museum, Berlin, and Paris. Consequently  
I am acquainted with, and have  
examined, nearly all the type  
specimens. But there are a few  
which I have not found in any  
museum; and among these are

Aschersonia chaetospora Sacc.

Aschersonia paraphysata Sacc.

Aschersonia javanica ~~Hava.~~ <sup>Penz. & Sacc.</sup>

Hypocrella Spegazzini Sacc.

If you could lend me any  
material of these four species,  
I should be extremely indebted  
to you, and would return them  
as soon as possible. I should

also be glad to give any assistance  
I can in the determination of our  
own gatherings. When I have  
completed the task, I hope to  
send out named specimens of  
our Eastern ~~species~~ species to my  
colleagues.

Please accept my sincere  
congratulations on the completion  
of your twentieth volume, and  
believe me

Yours very sincerely

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