

Normal School

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Dear and honored Sir,-

Your esteemed favor of the 19th March came this week. Thank you very much for the report on my specimens. I am much pleased to be associated with you in the description of Marcosonia Coronaria and Colletotrichum Vermicularia and ~~am~~ honored in your naming of the Acrotheca on Pinus melanocarpa. The marcosonia is a queer thing in the way of an "imperfect fungus". I had twice sent the Acrotheca to Dr Bulbark; the first time he missed finding it; - the 2nd sending (Feb 1911) he did not answer - (Has he ceased work?)

I am sending my 3289 again. On it you found Ocularia occulta Sacc sp. n. and noted that Ocularia virgaureae is related to Ramularia virgaureae. May Ocularia occulta Sacc be related to Basidiophora entropora Rejz? Plants of Solidago rigida in the same field were affected with this personospora. What I really sent 3289 for was an Aposphaeria-like fungus with black pycnidia. If I remember right the drawing on the packet was of a pycnidiospore. It is so conspicuous that I (over)

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did not suppose it a new species but the host species is ^{also} affected by a minute insect ~~that~~ whose larval production on the leaf is a rupture that ^{can} hardly be distinguished with a lens from the apophysaeria.

The same host, Solidago rigida, is sometimes seriously affected by a septoria that is neither S. solisaginis nor S. solisaginicola. For reference I have called it Septoria rigida - A specimen is sent herewith... 3418

My 761 was doubtfully referred by Mr Ellis to Septoria polaris Karst. Is it that?

Is 3405 definit enough to be referred to its genus?

May I trouble you to tell me where, if at all, Dr Bubak publishes:-

Phyllosticta minutella

Septoria diversissima

Cylindrosporium spiraeolae

Phyllosticta Apocyni-androsatifolia ?

Thanking you again — I remain

Yours most respectfully

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