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Professor P. A. Saccardo,
Padua, Italy.

My dear Professor Saccardo:

I take the liberty of enclosing two specimens of *Menispora* recently collected here one of which marked I in the box I have never been able to compare with an authentic specimen of *M. Libertiana*. This species I have never seen, as the only exsiccated specimen which we have contains only *Trichoderma lignorum*. The spores of this form, which is common here, appear to agree closely with what you call (Fresenius) var. *Fresenii* under *Libertiana* and which he called *tortuosa*. The other form marked II appears to be peculiar from the scattered but conspicuous verrucosities near the bases of the erect fertile hyphae which do not appear to be present in any of the species that I have seen.

I was very much obliged for your card concerning the *Stemphylium* which I sent last spring. I used the wrong name when I compared it to *botryosum*. It seemed near *macrosporoideum*, with which I had compared it, but also seemed to differ in its smooth spores and in the fact that it never becomes opaque. I have sent you recently through the Smithsonian a copy of my last Monograph which I hope may reach you safely.

Sincerely yours,

Roland Thaxter.