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My dear Professor Saccardo:

I notice in the last number of the Centralbl. f. Bact. a paper by Dr. Majmone on an Empusa which he calls *E. elegans*. It has occurred to me that he might be interested to see the pamphlet which I am sending with this, if you would be so kind as to forward it to him.

If one may conclude from his figures and description the species which he described is the same *E. aulicae*, which is common in Europe and America on *Porthesia* and other Lepidopterous larvae.

I hope you will pardon me if I call your attention to a matter which should be understood by European mycologists in connection with the writings of Mr. Lloyd of Cincinnati. He occasionally describes a new species in his various "Mycological Notes", and having peculiar ideas in regard to what he calls "personal advertisement" of individuals who put their names after species, uses "McGinty" in place of Lloyd as a joke. This is of course utterly ridiculous and indefensible, but there is no mycologist named McGinty and therefore no species should be cited under this absurd name. It is hardly conceivable that one should be so foolish, but such is the state of the case.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Thaxter