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PLANTS OF THE
ARCTIC SLOPE OF ALASKA
Office of Naval Research and the
University of Kansas Expedition.

James Bee
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Coll. by: James W. Bee

Ident. by:

Dear James,

I thoroughly enjoyed reading your letter. If I could write such interesting letters I'm sure I would be a better correspondent than I am.

I am enclosing the labels I promised you before. I am sure that it was I who dropped the labels on the way to the mailbox.

We "identified" some of your carexes but this genus is so little provided with distinctive taxonomic characters that one does well to recognize near neighbors, let alone those from the country that specializes in the carex. ~~So~~ I finally sent them to Fredrick J. Hermann who is a Carex specialist in the division of Plant Exploration and Introduction. But to my surprise, he passed too, and in turn sent them to Marcel Raymond in Canada who agreed to identify them, but so far I have not had any return from them. Dr. Hermann identified some of the Juncuses. These identifications are given below.

I have just made a deal with Dr. W. A. Weber of the University of Colorado who is a lichens specialist, to identify the lichens. He tells me that he has recently worked on a group of lichens from the Brooks Range. I wonder if it was someone from the same party *who sent them to him.*

As in the case of the Carexes I think these collections are too important to be intrusted to an amateur. I will send you the identifications as fast as I have anything to send.

Yours truly,

Bertrand J. V.

- 520721-7 Luzula confusa Lindeb.
- 520721-13 L. rufescens Fisch.
- 520730-5 L. confusa Lindeb.
- 520809-22 L. nivalis var. latifolia (Kjellm.) Sam.
- 520809-26 Juncus castaneus Sm.