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Dear James:

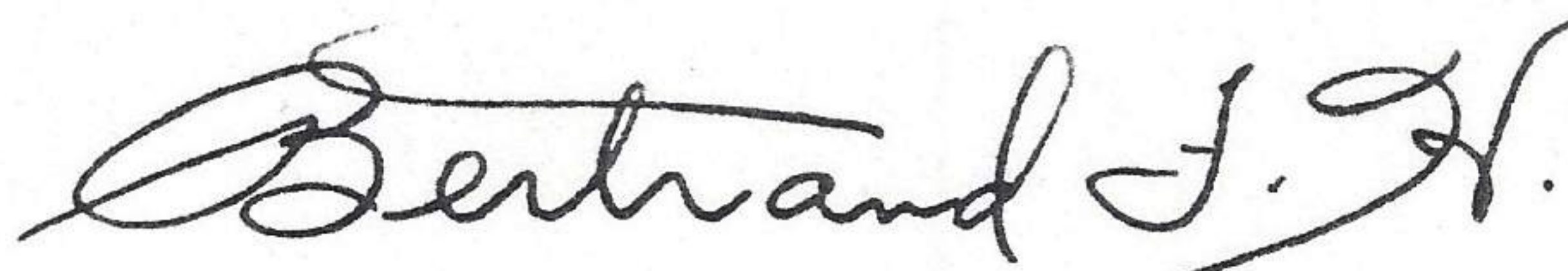
Finally after this long period of time I have some further identifications to send to you. The sedges of the genus *Carex* are very difficult to identify so I hesitated to undertake these on my own. We have a man here, Mont Lewis, who is in charge of training forest rangers of Region 4 who has been working for a number of years on the *Carex* of the Intermountain region. We first of all had him look them over and he came to some tentative identifications but had some reservations. I then sent the *Carex* to Dr. F. J. Hermann of the U. S. National Herbarium who is an outstanding authority on *Carex* of the United States but he too passed and said that for these Arctic specimens he felt too many reservations to undertake their identification and he sent them on to Marcel Raymond of the Montreal Botanical Garden who has worked some time on Arctic *Carex*s. I have just received his identifications and I am sending them along.

I have recently sent our Poas to Dr. David D. Keck, Curator of the New York Botanical Garden who is monographing the genus *Poa*. I sent along a number of your specimens about which I had some questions and one which I had not identified beyond the genus. He confirmed all of the identifications except one which I am noting below. The other names I am including along with the previously undetermined one.

I have also sent a number of grasses recently to Jason R. Swallen, Senior Agrostologist at the U. S. National Herbarium, and included some grasses of yours for checking. I will report them as soon as I hear. I keep getting reassuring letters from W. A. Weber who has been working on your lichens. He says they are all identified but he has sent some of your specimens of *Cladonia* to a specialist for checking.

By the time you get all of these identifications in, the ecological situation in Alaska will probably have evolved into something different, but then we will at least know what it was. We are most grateful for these specimens. They have made a great addition to our Herbarium and represent a region in which we are very much interested.

Sincerely yours,



Bertrand F. Harrison