

Ellen Hutchins to Dawson Turner, 18th April 1810

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My dear Sir

When I wrote to you a few days ago I did not expect to be able to send you the enclosed quite so soon. I am just returned from a long walk, & have brought home a box full of *Grimmia Daviesii* of which I can supply you with a large quantity. I have also brought in a *Grimmia* that I think must be *crispula*, & the little *Jungermannia* enclosed. I send you another bit of No. 6 & a capsule with the teeth perfect. I hope you will now be able to satisfy yourself as to the genus it belongs to. More of it & better I must get for you. Of *Rivularia angulosa* I send a drawing, I believe a correct one - don't you think it more nearly related to *distorta* than to the *Rivulariæ*? The large variety of *Conf. foetida* shews its formation pretty clearly. I have examined a vast many specimens of this plant & never found the least appearance of joints. It is really branched & seems a pellucid membranous tribe containing oval granules at first attached to each other in rows & afterwards separating as the plant grows older, & escaping out the apices. No. 70 was found on the shell of the large scallop & dredged out of deep water. It seems most nearly related to *C. foetida*. The skin is veined & contains filaments which escape at the apices. When recent it has not the glossy appearance of the dried specimen. I send you but the least morsel. I have only one specimen on glass to send at another time. No. 69 was found on a rock by the sea, & No. 68 in very small quantity in a shady pool. It seems distinct from any thing I met with before. The joints are [of] very unequal lengths. There are hardly two alike in a filament. I am watching a very minute *Conferva* that will probably be new. I have not time to say more than that I am always your obliged friend.

E. H.

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