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PICCADILLY MANSIONS,
17, SHAFTESBURY AVENUE, W.

LONDON. **March 26th, 1897**

THE DIRECTOR,
Royal Botanic Gardens,
KEW.

Sir:-

We have been approached by General Pitt Rivers, of Rushmore, Salisbury, to supply him with some roots, cuttings or seed of the "Boehmeria Nivea" and the "Boehmeria Tenacissima", with a view of his making some exhaustive tests in his gardens on the cultivation of this plant.

We are informed that his gardener, Mr. Thomson, was recommended by the Gardens, and is a thoroughly practical man. The experiments, we understand, will be made with the intention of determining certain facts to enable General Pitt Rivers to form an opinion on the cultivation in plantations abroad.

We shall be indebted to you if you can supply General Pitt Rivers on our account, with roots, cuttings, or seeds, as above mentioned, and we shall be pleased to defray the cost thereof.

Thanking you in anticipation,

We are, Sir,

Your obedient Servants,

W. Bell
SECRETARY

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Ans'd
Mar. 30/97 | Dyer



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Kew. Mar. 29, 1897.

Dear Genl. Pitt Rivers;

Boehmeria nivea
grows readily in the
open ground. Boehmeria
tenacissima is tender
and can only be grown
under glass.

We do not sell plants
but will be happy to
give you roots of the
former.



I do not think
the intervention of an
intermediary is necessary.

Yours very truly,

W. L. Miller - *WLM*

Ans.
Apr. 3/97



Kew, April 1. 97

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Dear General Pitt Rivers,

We have sent you
half a dozen sets of
Balanis noia. However
it is easily propagated.
But you can have more
if you wish.

It requires soil
at Paris it is found
on land irrigated with
sewage.

I very much doubt if

it will pay to send

in Cyprus.



Yours sincerely

W. L. Threlkeld-Dyer



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General A. Pitt Rivers.

Rushmore.

Salisbury.

With the Compliments of the Director,

Royal Gardens, Kew.

6 roots of

Boehmeria

nivea,

in one box.

Royal Gardens, Kew.

April 1st.

1897.