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Lichens of the Antarctic cold deserts

It is not generally known that the Antarctic contains a number of dry intensely cold areas which remain largely free of snow and ice. South Victoria Land is an example of an Antarctic cold desert where any snow mostly sublimates without melting or is blown away; others occur near McMurdo Sound. These areas contain very few visible signs of plant or animal life; even the soil is sterile. The principal habitat for life in these areas is actually under the surface of rocks where lichens known as cryptoendoliths occupy pore spaces often to a considerable depth. Only semitranslucent coarsely grained rocks such as weathered sandstones and granite are suitable. The rocks must be broken open in order to see the lichens.

These lichens were first discovered just ten years ago by an American microbiologist, Wolf Vishniac, who designed biological experiments for the Mars Viking landers. Specifically he was in Antarctica to study soil microbiology but also collected rock samples for Imre Friedmann, a specialist in endolithic algae in desert rocks. These samples came from a high elevation Beacon Sandstone formation which had never been visited by biologists. Vishniac unfortunately died in an accident shortly afterwards but the rock samples were retrieved and sent back to the U.S. Friedmann examined the samples and quickly realized that they contained lichens growing entirely under the rock surface. He coined the term cryptoendoliths and started a programme of Antarctic exploration in 1976 which continues to this day. Lichenologists who have participated include Y. Garty, L. Kappen and myself.

A typical cryptoendolithic lichen has an upper black zone c. 1mm thick, then a 2-4mm white zone and below this a conspicuous green zone. All zones are produced by fungal hyphae and unicellular green algae (often Trebouxia) in symbiotic association. Unidentified colourless bacteria are also regularly present. The zoning suggests the thallus is organised; haustoria and adpressoria are present at the fungal/algal contacts and lichen acids such as norstictic and gyrophoric are produced. The hyphae, which normally form a white woolly web amongst the rock crystals can

become coloured by iron compounds, probably haematite. This may be a result of local solubilizing of cementing substances in the rock. Medullary hyphae can penetrate to 20mm depth.

The life history of these lichens is affected by exfoliation of the rock surface which is partly a result of weathering and partly due to the activity of the organism in the rock. Lichens exposed by exfoliation usually dry out and crumble away. In favoured environments however, such as sheltered ledges, the cryptoendolithic lichens continue to grow on the surface of the rock changing to an epilithic growth form. Morphology changes to an areolate, plectenchymatous thallus and apothecia may develop. Buellia (B.pallida), Lecidea (L.capsulata, L. cf. auriculata), and Acarospora spp. have been identified. Cryptoendoliths may just be growth forms of well-known epilithic species or permanently adapted forms unknown elsewhere.

There is some evidence that the lichens are kept under the rock surface not by aridity or low temperatures but by rapid temperature fluctuations across the 0°C level caused by gusting winds. In one series of observations lasting 42 min. rock surface temperature moved across 0°C fourteen times with an amplitude of 7.7°C. Temperatures under the surface of the rock in the lichen zone remained above 0°C during the same period. The lichens therefore appear to survive in an inhospitable environment without actually experiencing its extremes.

The ecosystem of the dry valley deserts is simple. Blue-green algae and phycobionts are the primary producers, mycobionts may be regarded as consumers, and colourless bacteria as decomposers.



An Antarctic cold desert: Linnaeus Terrace,
Wright Valley, Asgard Mountains.

Secondary consumers and predators are absent. The unique adaptive achievement of the cryptoendolithic lichens is the ability of the mycobiont to change its growth form from plectenchy-matous (a thick dense tissue) to filamentous while still maintaining thallus organisation and to revert back when conditions so permit. Since 1970 the Antarctic dry valleys have been considered the closest terrestrial equivalent of the Martian environment and hypotheses about the possibility of life on Mars were based on this comparison. Working in the Antarctic setting is like looking back in time 600 million years when all ecosystems functioned without higher forms of life.

The Antarctic cryptoendoliths are baffling, complex organisms and trying to study them in the field can be an exasperating experience. There are so many unanswered questions on their structure, mode of dispersal, metabolism and evolution that it will take many more years of study to understand them. (Note: For further information consult an article in Science 215:1045-1053, 1982 by E.I. Friedmann.)

MASON E. HALE

Report on the New Year meetings, 6-7 January 1984

The conversazione on the Friday evening, attended by 33 people, was a successful venture which we hope to repeat next year. Pleasant surroundings, an excellent buffet, together with a plentiful supply of alcohol, set the stage for the Book Auction. This highlight of the evening was skilfully masterminded by Mark Seaward and Frank Brightman who had no difficulty in persuading members to vie with each other for, amongst other treasures, early issues of the Lichenologist. Prices realised ranged from 20p to £15 or more and a grand total of over £300 was raised for the Society.

Forty-six people attended the A.G.M. After years of stability in the officers ranks there was, for us, quite a shuffling round of responsibilities. Joy Walker took over the mantle of Secretary; Dougal Swinscow filled the vacant post of Auditor; Frank Dobson is gradually taking over the job of Assistant Treasurer and

Chris Hitch, Peter James and Alexander O'Dare were elected onto Council. David Hawksworth is our new Vice-president, while Jack Laundon, after 20 years as Secretary, takes over the reins as President. Under Any Other Business it was noted that Peter James and David Hawksworth intend to put in an application for a grant at the end of the academic year which it is hoped will lead to the production of a new British Lichen Flora. Disappointingly few slides were shown at the end of the A.G.M.

As the talks at the Lecture Meeting, attended by about 80 members and guests, were all of considerable general interest they are reported more fully than usual.

Lichens in medicine

Professor Brian Fox started his talk by reminding us of the historical uses of lichens in medicine, mentioning some of the more horrifying and bizarre remedies, but nevertheless stressing that the medical knowledge of ancient man was the result of centuries of clinical trials, and we should not ignore them. Modern research has shown that usnic acid and evernic acid are active in the control of T.B. Lichenin (a lichen polysaccharide) when given to mice is an anti-tumour agent but has the effect of making the liver of a mouse enlarge and harden. If isolichenin, a closely related substance, is given to mice it still acts as an anti-tumour agent, but without the side effects on the liver. The questions to be answered are 'Why do these substances have this anti-tumour effect?' and 'Why does one produce side effects while its close relative does not?' Professor Fox then turned to plant lectins which can be extracted from a variety of organisms including lichens. Suitably modified, these can be used as stains to pick out different types of cells which would otherwise be indistinguishable from their neighbours. Work is progressing rapidly in this field. Finally Professor Fox spoke about the 'lichen pickers' disease' (a form of contact dermatitis attacking people exposed to both sunshine and lichens), pointing out that the cause of this was not as simple as was first supposed, but different patients react differently to different extracts of the lichen. As our basic knowledge of the biological activities of the many unique substances that lichens produce increases, we may find that there is more truth in their uses in folk medicine than we at present suppose.

Lichens as food

Frank Dobson's talk was lively and entertaining, but to the gourmet cook hoping to learn new recipes, a disappointment. The main culinary purpose today seems to be as an additive to make flour or curry go further or, in the case of Parmelia austrosinensis for covering smells from decaying meat. Lichens are eaten as a delicacy in Japan, but this has led to a conservation problem. In his summing up Dr Seaward commented that, having ordered some lichen soup in Japan, he enquired half way through the meal when it was going to come; he was told that he had already eaten it. During the last war the Russians extracted high quality sugar on a commercial scale from lichens, but the process was very expensive and is now thought to have ceased. There is a different story when we turn to food for stock. Reindeer depend on lichens for their food for about half the year, and conservation measures are taken by the Lapps to prevent over grazing of lichen pasture. The Scandinavians have been reported as saying that pigs and cattle fatten quicker if lichens are mixed with their food. Apparently, partly digested lichen from the musk ox is a great delicacy in the winter months being the only form of green vegetable.

The commercial exploitation of lichens

The main part of Tim Moxham's talk was concerned with his experiences in France, Yugoslavia and Morocco where he was studying lichens in the perfume industry, funded by a Churchill Travelling Fellowship. He spoke of thousands of tons of oakmoss (Evernia prunastri) and treemoss (Pseudevernia furfuracea) being collected and processed annually for use in the industry, both for their fragrance value and their ability to fix other perfumes so that the scent is released slowly from the wearer. The methods of collection and processing have changed little over the last 50 years. The collectors are from the very poorest levels of society and he contrasted the poverty of the collector e.g. gathering 1 kg oakmoss worth 10p takes 1-2 hours, with the affluence and wealth of the consumer. Working conditions in the processing plants with the hot Moroccan air filled with powered lichen dust would give British Health and Safety Officers a fit. Tim ended with a reference to conservation. Few studies have been made of the

growth and recolonisation of the lichens, but in Yugoslavia he was assured that the same area could be picked two or three times a year.

The Exhibition Meeting again attracted more paper exhibits than lichen specimens; soon it will be forgiveable not to bring a hand-lens. The following members are thanked for providing demonstrations.

ASHWELL, R. SEM of Diplotomma spores.
BARON, G. Seychelles lichens.
DALBY, C. The next lichen wall chart.
FOX, B.W. Coll and Tirie visit (photographs).
FOX B.W. Jubilee photographs.
HITCH, C.J.B. Lichens and philately (Lichen Moth stamp)
PURVIS, O.W. Lecanora handelii Steiner first British record.
RICHMOND PUBLISHING: Bookstall.
SEAWARD, M.R.D. Matilda Knowles. (poster)
SWINSCOW, T.D.V. Lichens and statues.

The following exhibit was displayed in 1983 but was accidentally omitted from the published list (Bulletin 52: 1-12):

CHESTER, T.W. Sulgrave Primary school-children's study of a disused railway bridge.

Field meetings broadsheet

Council has decided that notices of lichenological field meetings shall in future be published separately from the Bulletin as a broadsheet; the first is enclosed. Dr. C J B Hitch is entirely responsible for its assembly, and production. Please send any information suitable for the broadsheet to Dr. Hitch, The Whin, Snape, Saxmundham, Suffolk IP17 1QY.

Ed.

Conversazione - Lecture Meeting 1985

Members may like to note in their diaries that the Society proposes holding a further evening Conversazione, book sale and exhibition meeting at the British Museum (Natural History) on Friday, 4 January 1985.

The theme of the afternoon lecture meeting following the A.G.M. on Saturday, 5 January 1985 will be Lichenology outside the

British Isles. We are hoping that this topic will attract some overseas members who might be prepared to speak on lichenology in their particular country. Speakers from overseas will be guests at the *Conversazione* the previous evening. Any prospective speakers please contact Jack Laundon or myself. Further details of both these events in the next issue.

JOY WALKER

Grapevine

B.L.S. watchdogs were out when David Attenborough tangled with lichens in his T.V. series, the *Living Planet*. He was, it seems, brought up on a rhyming dictionary that lists liCHen, stitCHin', kitCHen, not liKen, biKin', hiKin'. A day or two later the postman brought him a polite reproof from a B.L.S. council member. Poor David was suitably abashed. Witness his reply: "I'm sorry that I've used a non-U pronunciation. I've always used it, felt myself vindicated by the O.E.D. and so stuck to it. Perhaps it is time I changed but I'm afraid it cannot be for this series, but I will not forget your temperate and expert words". All to the well and good, you may say, even if reminiscent of St. Augustine's prayer, "Please God make me a good boy, but not just yet". The B.L.S. knight has carried the day. And yet.....

Grapevine suspects a chink in the shining Xanthorian armour. The latest O.E.D. states that "the pronunciation liCHen is given in *Smart* without alternative, and most of the later dictionaries allow it a second place, but it is now rare in educated use". Needless to say, given this expressed attitude, the O.E.D. gives it no place at all. (Perhaps in *New-U-Speak*, O.E.D. stands for Oxford Educated Dictionary. Grapevine, anyway, has always favoured the other place of learning.) Chamber's 20th Century Dictionary (1981 reprint), a more balanced tome, lists both pronunciations, with liKen in first place.

Two questions, then. First, why uniformity on such a point? Language is an organic affair, and England has steered clear of instituting an Academy. Second, why turn our backs entirely on a pronunciation allied to rural traditions that knew lichens as an integral part of their scenery, even knew them as "the

people of the rocks", and had traditions like the old Scottish warning to seamen not to wear lichen-dyed clothes on voyage, since what came from the rocks would return to them?

Another point raised by the Living Planet is weightier. An extra programme was shown to explain how the miles of material shot was vetted for transmission. A sequence showing lichens was excluded because "They're not photogenic enough". Various people involved with the series have privately expressed unease that some of the scientifically most interesting and surprising sequences weren't considered transmittable for the same reason. Such series give great enjoyment to us all, but they risk becoming armchair naturalism at its laziest and most self-indulgent when they concentrate on the unusual, the outre and the technicolour-photogenic. They end up by distancing "nature's wonders" from anything the average viewer thinks himself likely to encounter. A long way from Charles Kingsley's view of nature as ever at hand for those ready to bother looking about them.

To be fair to Auntie Beeb, however, she has recently put on two or three features of lichenological interest, e.g. God's Little Acre (BBC2, Jan 2). Grapevine's prize for the last six months goes to Radio 4 for The Garden Wall (The Living World, Feb 5) when the North Face and South Face conversed (to occasional church-organ accompaniment) about "centuries of co-ordination between lichens, mosses, birds, insects and small animals" in an attempt to convey the complexity of mural ecology, even if we were told that "fortune must arrange for fungus and alga to meet, if lichen propagation is to occur". So much for soredia, isidia, thalline fragments, etc.

Talking of walls and lichens, one of the best lichen tales Grapevine knows is the tradition at Malham that Charles Kingsley, strolling with a friend one evening below the vast limestone face of Malham Cove suddenly turned and said, "Look at those sooty marks on the rocks. Just like the prints a young chimney-sweep might make rushing from above to escape from something dreadful". Tradition has it that The Water Babies was born thus and that the black marks were lichens. Once again, as with the pronunciation liCHen, Grapevine is happy to defer to tradition.

VINIFERA

Country Diary - 7: Lizard Peninsula

It was one of the hottest days of summer. While the others at Trevithian donned shorts and gym shoes, I reached for climbing boots, thick socks and corduroy trousers. Though we all planned to spend the day on the Lizard, they were heading for the beach at Coverack while I was kitting up for lichen survey work.

The few roads across the peninsula are long and straight, and the level countryside of vast open heaths dotted with pine shelter-belts and airfields reminded me of Breckland. Stopping at Crousa Downs National Nature Reserve I tentatively stepped into a heathland dominated by gorse and dramatic lilac-flowered Cornish heath. The vegetation was so dense there was no possibility of even a Cladonia squamule surviving on the ground, but some scattered gabbro boulders looked promising. A painful journey through gorse revealed they were well covered with lichens which included Parmelia loxodes, Usnea flammea, Buellia verruculosa, Pertusaria pseudocorallina and P. excludens (remembered from Coll/Tiree at Easter). The Parmelia conspersa looked odd and devoid of isidia (. . . Better collect some - could be P. centrifuga, new to Britain - a lot of unusual plants on the Lizard. . . .). Another smaller yellow Parmelia also looked peculiar. Chips of gabbro vanished forever into the deep vegetation, but eventually enough material was collected for a later determination of P. mougeotii.

Further acquaintance with Crousa Downs revealed a mosaic pattern in the moorland imposed by frequent fires, which explains why so little grows on low boulders and why the only terricolous sites of note are tracks on which Baeomyces roseus and Trapeziopsis wallrothii were found. The best boulders turned out to be the largest. * On these Parmelia caperata, Physcia tribacea, Candelariella coralliza, Acarospora smaragdula and Aspicilia caesiocinerea occur, often associated with slight bird manuring.

A couple of miles on in a further example of rocky heath, Main Dale NNR, an additional eleven species were encountered. Here I was relieved to find Sphaerophorous globosus, the only lichen mentioned from the Lizard in the Nature Conservation Review, and on the largest boulder, rendered all but inaccessible by gorse, a dense covering of Lasallia pustulata, an extension of its range by 40km according to The Atlas.

A total of 58 lichens from two National Nature Reserves is not impressive, but frequent encounters with clouded yellow butterflies had been a delight. Thirsty, gorse-scoured and slightly dizzy from the heat, I repaired to Coverack for a long swim. Once refreshed, a reconnaissance of Goonhilly Downs NNR in the late afternoon revealed so little in the way of lichen interest that by comparison Crousa Downs seemed almost exciting. Whatever the inland Lizard heathlands are famous for, it certainly is not lichens.

The next day, taking an hour off from a beach party at Kynance Cove, I climbed a rocky hillside and came across three of the great rarities of the south-west, Heterodermia leucomelos, H. obscurata, Cladonia mediterranea. Next time I am down, I'll don shorts and head straight for the coast.

Churchyard leaflet

British Petroleum have kindly given the Lichen Conservation Committee a small grant to cover the cost of printing a series of leaflets. The first of these titled 'Lichens in Churchyards' is enclosed. Additional copies are available from Tony Fletcher, Leicestershire Museum Service, 96 New Walk, Leicester, LE1 6TD. Further leaflets on the use of lichens in dyeing and on aspects of the law affecting lichens are in the process of production.

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Advert in the Sunday newspaper 'Sonntagsgrub' 24 April 1984.

RICHARD MULLER

Recent research: Why slugs are faddy lichen grazers

Field observations by James Lawrey showed that a population of slugs inhabiting a rocky wood in Western Virginia, USA, grazed more frequently on certain saxicolous lichens than others. They strongly preferred Aspicilia gibbosa and Lasallia papulosa while mostly rejecting Parmelia baltimorensis and P.cumberlandia. This behaviour pattern can be explained in two ways - either the slugs prefer the more nutritious species or they are avoiding nasty tasting ones regardless of their food value.

To find out which hypothesis produced the best explanation Lawrey analysed the nutritive value of the four lichens as revealed by their content of nitrogen, phosphorus and calcium. Paradoxically the most nutritious species turned out to be those the slugs avoided. By offering the slugs yeast-baited discs of filter paper soaked in acetone soluble lichen extracts from the four species, he then demonstrated that the lichens of high nutritive value contained lichen acids which rendered even these normally highly attractive baits unpalatable. Discs soaked in extracts from the Aspicilia and Lasallia however were eagerly grazed. The avoidance hypothesis therefore provided the best explanation of the slugs' grazing pattern. Furthermore, the results suggested that lichens with the highest nutritive value are the ones most likely to produce defence compounds.

This hints at an important ecological role for lichen acids. Though work was not extended to test the effects of individual lichen acids it was shown that the avoided species contained a much wider diversity of secondary compounds and it was also thought that their total phenolic compound content was higher than in the palatable species. It seems that slugs, like children, pay more attention to the taste of food than to its nutritive value.

From Lawrey, J.D. (1983) Lichen herbivore preference: a test of two hypotheses. American Journal of Botany 70(8) : 1188-1194.

(It is hoped to make 'Recent research' a regular feature. Would authors kindly send items for possible inclusion. Ed.)

New mapping card

A new and more comprehensive mapping card has been designed to replace the one introduced sixteen years ago. The card, which can be folded to form four pages, lists 1100 lichen species and 96 commonly found lichenicolous and allied fungi; the lichens are given numbers which cross-reference directly to the computer database at Bradford University, while the non-lichens are unnumbered. NB. When filling-out cards, recorders should only underline (or cross off) the names - the numbers should be free of annotations to facilitate transfer to the computer file.

The nomenclature of the species listed mainly follows that used for the 1980 checklist, but a few changes have proved necessary in the light of recent taxonomic work. Dr. Brian Coppins has kindly supplied the following list of changes:

- 0062 Arthonia ilicinella Nyl. Examination of type material has shown this to be a distinct species and not a synonym of Arthothelium ilicinum. Differs from latter (to which it is closely related) by smaller spores with only 3-4(-5) transverse septa, and generally smaller ascocarps. Known from W. Scotland and S.W. Ireland.
- 0074 Arthonia zwackhii Sandst. This species has since been found in Dorset and E. Perthshire. The var. macrospora is mostly of species rank and will be treated in a forthcoming paper by Coppins and James.
- 0093 Arthopyrenia sublitoralis (Leighton) Arnold. Has large, spherical usually emergent pseudothecia. Spores larger than in A. halodytes. Thallus endolithic. Only on calcareous rocks or barnacles very low down in the littoral zone, often under tangles of seaweed. (A. Fletcher).
- 0096 Arthothelium reagens (Coppins & P. James) Coppins & P. James. Now regarded as a species distinct from A. ilicinum.
- 0178 Belonia nidarosiensis (Kindt) P.M. Jørg & Vězda.
Syn. Clathroporina calcarea.

- 0183 Biatorina atropurpurea (Schaerer) Massal. Syn.: Catillaria atropurpurea.
- 0184 B. neuschildii Körber. Syn.: Catinaria neuschildii.
Note: The genus Biatorina also includes Catillaria minuta (not on card) but the status of that species in Britain needs verifying.
- 0312 Catillaria littorella auct. This entry is for the widely distributed maritime species, which in reality is a Lecania although its correct name has not yet been resolved. The type specimen (from Ireland) of C. littorella (Nyl.) Zahlbr. is a saxicolous form of Catillaria bouteillei.
- 0426 Cladonia uncialis. Records crossed-off here are presumed to be of subsp. biuncialis unless otherwise instructed. Subsp. uncialis was discovered for the first time in Britain at Culbin Forest (Morayshire) in 1983, and is unlikely to be found outside NE Scotland.
- 0499 Dirina massiliensis Dur. & Mont. Syn. D. repanda auct.
- 0500 D. massiliensis f. sorediata (Müll. Arg.) Tehler.
Syn.: D. repanda f. stenhammarii.
- s.n. Endococcus alpestris D. Hawksw. See Hawksworth (1983).
- s.n. Laeviomyces opegraphae. D. Hawksw. and L. pertusariicola (Nyl.) D. Hawksw. See Hawksworth (1983).
- 0732 Lecidea icmalea Ach. Member of L. uliginosa group (Placynthiella Gyelnik); treated in forthcoming paper by Coppins and James in Lichenologist.
- 0806 Lecidoma demissum (Rüstrom) G. Schneider & Hertel.
Syn: Lepidoma demissum.
- 0832 Leptogium cochleatum (Dickson) P.M. Jorg. Syn:
L. azureum auct. brit.

- 0862 Megalospora tuberculosa (Fée) Sipman. Syn: Bombyliospora pachycarpa.
- 0863 Melanolecia jurana (Schaerer) Hertel. Syn: Tremolecia jurana.
- 0870 Micarea adnata Coppins.
- 0871 M.alabastrites (Nyl.) Coppins. Not a synonym of M.cinerea.
- 0878 M.intrusa (Th.Fr.) Coppins & Kiliias. Syn: Catillaria intrusa, Lecidea aphanoides and L.melaphana.
- 0881 M.lignaria, var. endoleuca (Leighton) Coppins.
- 0891 M.subnigrata (Nyl.) Coppins & Kiliias. Syn: M.confusula and Catillaria subnigrata.
- 0894 M. synotheoides (Nyl.) Coppins.
- s.n. Mycocalicium subtile (Pers.) Szat. Syn. M.parietinum.
- s.n. Mycomicrothelia confusa. D. Hawksw. ined. Syn: Microthelia micula auct. brit.
- 0943 Opegrapha cinerea Chev. Syn. O.vulgata auct.
- s.n. Phaeospora rimosicola (Leighton) Hepp. Syn. Pyrenulella endococcoidea.
- s.n. Pectocarpon lichenum (Sommerf.) D. Hawksw. Syn: Lichenomyces lichenum.
- 1177 Porina heterospora (Fink) R.C. Harris. Syn: P.nucula auct. brit.
- 1199 Psilolechia clavulifera (Nyl.) Coppins. Syn. Micarea clavulifera.
- s.n. Pyrenidium actinellum Nyl. Syn: Decampiosphaeria rivana (de Not.) D. Hawksw

- s.n. Skyttea buelliae Sherw., D. Hawksw & Coppins.
S.gregaria Sherw., D. Hawksw. & Coppins.
S. nitschkei (Korber) Sherw., D. Hawksw. & Coppins. Syn:
Beloniella nitschkei
S. thallophila (P. Karsten) Sherw. & D. Hawksw.
- 1436 Trapeliopsis percrenata (Nyl.) G. Schneider. See
forthcoming paper by Coppins & James in Lichenologist.
- 1440 Tylothallia biformigera (Leighton) P. James & Kiliias.
Syn: Catillaria biformigera.
- s.n. Vorarlbergia renitens V.J.Grumman.
- 1526 Xanthoria calcicola Oxner. Syn: X.aureola auct.

The card fulfils two functions: it will be useful for field recording, and also for the storage of records by individuals, data banks, museums, societies, NCC, etc.

Due to the generosity of the World Wildlife Fund, who recognise the importance of our mapping project, the card will be available free of charge to BLS members, but it will be necessary to charge postage. Other researchers and institutions will be supplied with cards at cost.

A proof of the card is illustrated in this Bulletin (annotated by R. Brinklow to indicate the holdings of the BLS herbarium); after correction of a few minor typographical errors and the addition of the WWF logo, the final version should be available from the printers by early June. Orders should be addressed to: Dr. Mark Seaward, School of Environmental Science, University of Bradford, Bradford BD7 1DP.

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0044	Amvg	pelo		arac	0229		subq/	0326	Cave	0407	pgc/
0045	Anap	cili c	0129	Athe	0231		virij		Cerc	0408	poll/
0046		mami	0131	arce/	0232	Calo	albo	0327	Cetra	0409	port/
0047		fusc/	0132	arno	0236		arnol	0328	comm/	0410	pyxij
0048	Anis	bifo/	0133	essu	0239		aurantia/	0330	dell/	0411	rangifer/
0049		juis	0135	beck	0240		caes/	0331	eric	0412	rangiform/
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0051	Arthon	arth	0139	carneogl	0242		cerine/	0333	isla/	0415	scab/
0052		aspersa/	0142	circums	0243		chal/	0334	cris	0416	squa s/
0053		atla s	0143	cupr	0244		chlo	0336	niva/	0417	subs/
0054		posi	0144	deli	0246		cirr/	0337	pinay	0420	stre/
0055		cine	0145	egen	0247		citr/	0338	sepi/	0421	subc/
		ciem	0146	epix	0250		deci/	0339	Cetre	0422	subul/
0056		didy/	0147	frie	0252		ferr/	0341	Chaenotheca	0423	sublp/
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0059		endj/	0151	herba	0254		flavoru/	0342	cart	0426	unci/
0060		exil	0153	inco/	0255		flavovi/	0343	chry/	0427	zopf
		fusc	0154	inunj	0257		gran	0344	ferr/	0429	Clig
		glaw	0155	laur	0259		hepp/	0345	hisp/		Clyp
0062		ilicinella	0158	musc/	0260		herb	0348	stem	0430	Coelo
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0080		cemb/	0176	rufuj	0279		stil/	0366	cario	0453	nigr/
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		laluj		mona	0284		vari/	0371	chlo/	0459	tana f/
		lepp/	0183	Biatorin	0285		vela	0372	cili c/	0460	ceran/
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0087		oras	0185	Blar	0287		vire	0374	coec/	0462	vulv/
		punc/	0186	Brig	0288		vite	0375	cono/	0463	tun/

0464	undu	0548	musc	0646	disp	0786	supe	0874	bohr
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0466	Coni turf	0551	elat	0649	expa	0788	tura	0877	denj
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	Cornut lich	0559	obsz	0657	intumj	0792	virj	0883	metana
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	sesj	0563	cons	0662	paly	0795	bull	0887	pras
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	Dact ioba	0566	glau	0667	polyj	0798	sora	0891	subnij
	paras	0567	hydr	0669	praes	0799	euph	0893	syvl
	parel	0568	macrj	0672	pulij	0800	pras	0894	syno
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	(epitophyllj)	0571	plat	0675	salij	0804	subinj	0897	turf
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0485	comp	0573	Hyme lacu	0677	sambj	0810	Lemph botr	0899	Microc corr
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0501	Ence cere	0589	odor	0701	aurj	0831	byss		Mycoct myri
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Endoco	aloe		Laev opeg	0703	botr	0833	cret	912	Mycopo querj
	pari		pert	0704	brac	0834	cyanj		Nectria leca
	prop	0591	Lasal pustj	0705	caesj	0836	hibe		Nectriell robe
	rugu	0592	Lecanac abiej	0708	carr	0839	lichj		tinc
	stig	0593	absz	0715	didu	0840	mass	0917	Neph laej
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	(angu)	0624	Lecanora	0741	limb	0855	Loba amplj	0943	cine
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	arnas	0643	conizj	0774	spej	0870	Mica adna	0959	saxaj
		0644	crenj	0779	subj	0871	alab	0960	saxicj
				0783	sulpj	0873	bauz	0961	saxij

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0971	Pachyo verr	1062	ceut	1164	whel	1265	leca	1359	pile
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		1066	coral	1166	musc	1267	oede	1363	vesu v
0974	Pann cong	1068	coro		Polycoc gall	1270	poll	1364	nadu
0975	hook	1069	dact		marm	1272	riba	1365	Stic canj
0976	igno	1070	deal		pelt	1276	sipa	1366	duto
0977	leuc	1071	excl		tryp	1279	umbj	1367	tuli
0978	medi	1072	flavic	1167	Polysp simp	1280	avri	1368	limb
0979	pezi	1073	flavida	1168	Pori aene	1281	Rino atro	1369	svlv
0980	rubi	1075	hemy	1169	ahle	1283	bisc		Stig drsp
0981	samp	1076	heme	1170	börr	1285	cont		micr
0982	Parmelia acety	1077	lactea	1171	chloj	1286	conrad		pelt
0984	arno	1079	leio	1172	cora	1287	effl	1371	Stra micr
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0988	cons	1087	pert	1177	hete	1293	furi	1375	Strig jame
0989	crin	1089	psev	1178	hibe	1294	occu	1378	Taen tayl
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1027	Parmeliel	1126	Physcon ente	1223	laev	1326	vult	1431	Trapelia coar
	(atla)	1127	gris	1224	macr	1327	Solo bisp	1432	invo
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1031	test	1132	Placi cust	1228	Pyrr quer	1332	Sphaerop		Zelau
1032	trip	1133	Placop gell	1229	Raco rupe		lfrag	1436	perc
1033	Parmetiop	1135	Placynthium	1230	Rama balj	1333	glob	1437	wali
	(latu)		flab	1231	cal	1334	mela	1438	Trem atra
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1038	Pelti apht	1142	subr	1235	fast	1338	psev	1447	deus
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1041	dege	1146	norj	1238	poly	1343	fiss	1452	polyr
1042	hory		Plec lich	1239	port	1343	hyme	1453	prob
1043	hyme	1147	Polyblastia	1240	sili	1344	rupi	1455	torr
1045	leuc		agra	1241	subf	1347	succ	1456	Usne arti
1047	memb	1148	albi	1243	Ramon chry	1348	Stein geop	1458	cera
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1050	prae	1151	cupu	1249	conc			1462	flor

1464	frag/	1481	coar/	1498	inta/	1514	prom/	1525	minu
1465	fulv/	1485	dege	1499	kern	1517	stri/	1526	Xanthoria
1466	glabra	1486	ditm	1503	mar/	1518	viri y/		calc
1467	glabres	1487	dufo/	1504	mar/	1519	teet	1527	cand/
1468	hirt/	1488	elae/	1505	mela	1520	Vezd	1528	eleg/
1469	infl/	1489	eric/	1506	muco/	1521		1529	fall
1470	ruby/	1490	func	1507	mur/	1522		1530	par/
1471	sub/	1491	fusco/	1508	murin		Vorar	1531	poly/
1473	Verr aeth/	1492	glau/	1509	muta/		Voua		Xanthoric
1474	amph/	1493	hall/	1510	nigr/				phys
1476	aqua/	1495	hoch/	1512	ping/			1532	Xylo abis/
1479	bald/	1496	hydr/	1513	prae/	1524	Wade	1533	trun/
								1534	viti/

A few species not on the mapping card have not been listed, nor have the foreign species present in the Herbarium.

New Zealand lichens:

New Zealand has a richly diverse and well-developed lichen flora, arguably one of the most interesting and best preserved in the world today. Many species are of great size and beauty, and in wetter, forested areas, are often dominant components of the epiphytic and ground vegetation. Overseas lichenologists often find the initial sight of carpets of Cladia retipora (Coral lichen), Cladina confusa (the Southern Hemisphere equivalent of Reindeer lichens), Pseudocyphellaria homeophylla or Siphula spp, quite extraordinary and scarcely believable, but with closer acquaintance, the often remarkable size and luxuriance of many foliose and fruticose lichens is soon taken for granted. For all that, they are common, conspicuous and often splendidly beautiful, New Zealand's lichens have long been the Cinderella group of its flora, disregarded by professional botanists and, except in a few cases, interested amateurs alike. However over the past 10-15 years there has been an awakening of interest in New Zealand's lichens both locally and internationally, and in anticipation of future research into lichen ecology, ecophysiology, sociology, pollution studies and biogeography a detailed flora of lichens known from New Zealand has been compiled.

This was begun at the BM under Peter James's guidance and direction ten years ago, and is now completed and in press in New Zealand. 211 genera are treated encompassing 950 species, probably about 50 of the total lichen flora. Once the complex microlichen flora is adequately known (many years of collection and study are required) one would expect a total of c 2000 species to comprise the lichen flora.

New Zealand's astonishing lichen flora contains centres of speciation in such genera as Megalospora(12), Menegazzia(17), Neuropogon(5), Placopsis(12), Pseudocyphellaria(46), Psoroma(30), Sphaerophorus(11), Siphula (8) and Sticta (13), groups which are often represented in the Northern Hemisphere by only one or a few species.

Lichens were collected in New Zealand by all the early navigators and botanists - the BM for example has specimens collected by Banks and Solander, the Forsters, and by Archibald Menzies. The first New Zealand lichen was described in 1781 and

very many were described in the 19th century, so that when one is faced with compiling a modern flora it is imperative to examine the wide range of early New Zealand material on which the original names were based, and this demands a great deal of herbarium work in mainly European herbaria, though the BM is probably the richest repository of New Zealand type material. Thus it has been that over the past ten years whilst writing the flora, I have spent much more time in London than in New Zealand, a curious but necessary state of affairs.

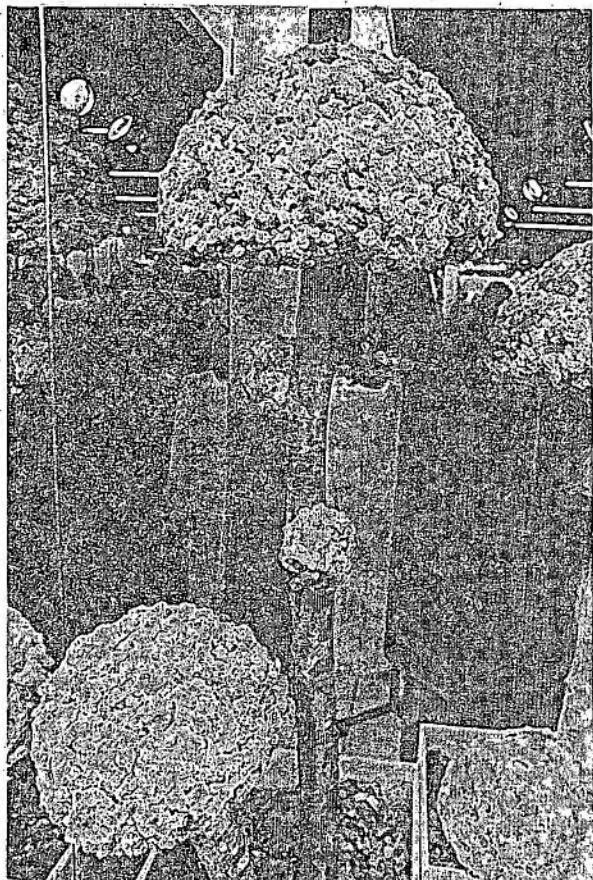
At the generic level, endemism in the New Zealand lichen flora is low, slightly less than 1% with only 2 endemic genera (Calycidium and Thysanophoron) both monotypic and both in the Caliciales and both incidentally named by James Stirton. At the species level the order of endemism is roughly 50%, and these two figures together tell us something of the geographical relationships the lichen flora shows, as well as hinting at its great age and isolation, with many species developing on the islands of New Zealand subsequent to its separation from Antarctica and Australia after the breakup of Gondwanaland. It is possible to define 10 different biogeographical elements in the New Zealand lichen flora and the three which give it its special character are the endemic, Australasian and Austral elements, the elements which ally New Zealand most closely with southern South America and with south-eastern Australia. There is a cosmopolitan element (many lichens in lowland, coastal, and urban areas would be quite familiar to a visitor from Britain), a pantropical, a palaeotropical, and a circum-Pacific element and a curious bipolar element which is probably of very great age (developed on old schist mountains in Nelson and Otago, and including Solorina crocea, S. spongiosa and Pannaria hookeri amongst others). The Western Pacific element unites taxa occurring on the Asiatic seaboard, Japan, China, Malaysia, New Guinea, New Caledonia and the east coast of Australia with New Zealand, examples being Cetrelia braunsiana and Thysanothecium scutellatum.

A southern xeric (mediterranean) element defined by winter rainfall - summer drought conditions unites lichens found in the Cape region of South Africa and the deserts of western and southern Australia with lichens in the very driest parts of New Zealand's South Island.

In recent years the main impetus in taxonomic work on New Zealand lichens has been directed towards macrolichen genera. However, the crustose genera provide the main challenge for the future and already several European workers are realising the riches available in New Zealand. Leif Tibell collected genera in the Caliciales in depth during a 10-month stay in 1980-81, and Harrie Sipman and Helmut Mayrhofer have discovered several new taxa in Megalospora sens. lat., and Rinodina respectively. The astonishing diversity of habitats that exists between western and eastern coasts, and between the northern and southern extremities of New Zealand will ensure many lichenological discoveries for many years to come. However this remarkable richness and diversity of New Zealand's lichens is an easily destroyed phenomenon, already atmospheric and terrestrial pollution, hydro-electric power development, changes in land use and especially in management practices in native forests have placed many lichen communities at risk. The great importance of responsible collecting in a country which at first sight appears to possess an over-abundance of living material, cannot be too carefully stressed.

I have been helped by very many people during the preparation of the New Zealand lichen flora and several colleagues in this country and in Europe have contributed specialist accounts of various groups (Peter James Menegazzia, Jack Laundon Leproplaca, Brian Coppins Micarea, Josef Haffelner Brigantiaea, Gunner Degelius Collema, Helmut Mayrhofer Rinodina - for example) and Peter James did a great deal of chemistry, checked keys and helped with proof-reading. Although sponsored by the DSIR as a New Zealand project, were it not for the BM's collections plus help and guidance from colleagues here and abroad, the successful end result could never have been achieved. The Flora is expected to be published in July 1984 by the New Zealand Government Printing Office (Wellington) and will retail for NZ \$ 39.95.

DAVID GALLOWAY



Window display composed of birch stems and Cladonia
in a dress shop, Kingston-upon-Thames
Photo by Frank Dobson, April, 1984.

Detection of didymic acid.

Didymic acid is not readily distinguished from compounds with a similar R_f value when extracts containing this acid are examined by thin-layer chromatography (Bull. Brit. Lichen Soc. 46, supplement, May, 1980, p23). The following colour reaction has been found useful in Cladonia to differentiate between species containing thamnolic and barbatic acids, or thamnolic, barbatic and didymic acids.

Alkaline ferricyanide solution: dissolve 0.4g of potassium ferricyanide and 4g of sodium hydroxide in water and dilute to 100ml with water.

Dissolve, or disperse, the residue from the acetone extract of the sample in 2-3 drops of acetone, spot 1 drop of this solution, or mixture, onto filterpaper and allow to dry. Add to the spot 1 drop of alkaline ferricyanide solution; if didymic acid is present a blue spot is produced. The colour reaction may also be given by strepsilin (not available to me) but the two compounds can be identified by thin-layer chromatography. The alkaline ferricyanide reagent can also be used as a spray reagent in thin-layer chromatography.

ALAN ARCHER.

Some Gaelic lichen names

The following information comes from The Gaelic Names of Plants by John Cameron (1900). All the words underlined are in italics in the book.

Peltidea canina - The dog-lichen. Gaelic: lus ghoinnich (from goin, wound; goineach, agonising). This plant was formerly used for curing distemper and hydrophobia in dogs. The name "gearan, the herb dog's-ear," is given in the dictionaries. Probably this name was applied to this plant, meaning a complaint, a groan. Welsh: gerain, to squeak, to cry.

Lecanora - Etymology of this word uncertain (in Celtic, lech or leac, means a stone, a flag). *L. tartarea* - Cudbear. Gaelic and Irish: corcar or corcur, meaning purple; crimson. Latin: purpura. This lichen was extensively used to dye puple and crimson. It is first dried in the sun, then pulverised and steeped, commonly in urine, and the vessel made air-tight. In this state it is suffered to remain for three weeks, when it is fit to be boiled in the yarn which it is to colour. Formerly, in many Highand districts, the peasants got their living by scraping off this lichen with an iron hoop and sending it to the Glasgow market. MacCodrum alludes to the value of this and the next lichen in his lines -

Cattle on the hills,

Gold on the stones.

Parmelia saxatilis and *omphalodes* - Stone and heath *parmelia*. Gaelic and Irish: crotal. These lichens were much used in the Highlands for dyeing a reddish brown colour, prepared like tartarea. And so much did the Highlanders believe in the virtues of crotal that, when they were to start on a journey, they sprinkled it on their hose, as they thought it saved their feet from getting inflamed during the journey. Welsh: cen du, black head, applied to the species Omphalodes.

According to Shaw, the term grim was applied as a general term for lichens growing on stones. Martin, in his description of his journey to Skye, refers to the superstition "that the natives observe the decrease of the moon for scraping the scurf from the stones." The two useful lichens, corcur and crotal, gave rise to the proverb "Better the rough stone that yields something, than the smooth stone that yields nothing".

RAY PETCH

Land of the Lichens (The Lichen Play) by Ernest Ruber, published in *The American Biology Teacher* (1983), Vol. 45, part 8, pages 428-430.

No set is needed. The action takes place in a suitable habitat for Dwarf cinquefoil, one of ten characters in the cast, somewhere in "the most barren and cold places of the arctic tundra, where other plants can't grow", and with winter coming on. The opening chorus, part of a lecture on the ecology of lichens and dwarf cinquefoil, is uttered "monotonously" by the Teacher, who is eventually faded out amid the cries of three Students sitting in the audience. Student 3 closes their brief contribution by yelling, "Boring, boring, boring".

The three Lichens in the play have postures to please Billie Whitelaw. "CRUSTOSE lies flat on his face, raising it only to speak, FOLIOSE lies on his side, head propped on one arm, and FRUTICOSE stands and holds both arms forward in a drooping position." All is set, as anyone can see, for a Goonish minimalist drama with entertainment, philosophy and instruction in mind. The author owns to being a disillusioned pedagogue, who has changed the weapons of the summer-school lecturer for those of the variety hall artist, humour and improvisation. "The humour", he tells us, "derives heavily from slapstick, satire and insult and seeks to appeal to both the 'impulsive' and the conscientious' attitudes in the audience".

To say more of the plot would be premature, as we must all hope to see this playlet performed at a B.L.S. Annual General Meeting as soon as possible. Ten roles are available.

A. HENDERSON

Secretary's report for 1983

The most important event of the year was the Silver Jubilee in January. The celebrations included a symposium, special dinner, annual general meeting, and a lecture and exhibition meeting. The dinner was especially memorable and was held in the Conversazione Room of the British Museum (Natural History), the Society having been formed at a meeting in the Board Room of this same museum on Saturday 1 February 1958.

During 1983 the membership rose from 578 to 593. The number of new members joining during the year was 51, compared with 46 in 1982. It is with great regret that the death of our auditor Richard Ashby is reported; Richard was a familiar figure on field meetings and will be greatly missed.

Attendance at field meetings showed a remarkable revival. The spring meeting was held on Coll and Tiree, not the most accessible of locations.

The summer meeting was centred on Exeter and the autumn meeting in the Lake District, the last with a record attendance of almost 30 persons. Day excursions were held at Appledore and Hampstead in conjunction with other societies. A joint workshop with Bristol University was held in March. Mr. F.H. Brightman, Mr. I. Day, Professor B.W. Fox, Dr. O.L. Gilbert, Dr. D.L. Hawksworth, Dr. D.J. Hill, Mr. J.R. Laundon, and Mr. S.N. Tallwin are thanked for arranging and leading these excursions. The Council held three meetings.

Three parts of The Lichenologist, two numbers of the Bulletin, and a membership list were published during the year. Dr Hawksworth and Dr. Gilbert are thanked for all their work in bringing out these issues. The British Bryological Society celebrated its Diamond Jubilee on 17 September and kindly invited a representative to its celebrations. A new position of Archivist was established and we are grateful to Dr. Brown for taking on this office in addition to his other work. Our membership records and various other documents have now been modernised by placement on computer storage. We

are most grateful for grants of £1350 from the Nature Conservancy Council for a survey and report on lowland heaths, £400 from British Petroleum for the production of conservation leaflets etc., and support from the same company for the series 'Literature on air pollution and lichens' which appears in The Lichenologist.

I was first elected Secretary in January 1964, since when I have received great support from officers and members alike. I feel sure you will give your continued support to my successor, Joy Walker.

J.R. LAUNDON

Treasurer's Report on the 1983 Accounts

It will be noted that the increase in subscriptions is not keeping pace with the increase in the cost of processing The Lichenologist. Compared with 1982 the increase is in the region of 20%. This is partly due to increase in membership but the increase is still above the current rate of inflation. In order to maintain the present rate of members' subscription it is necessary to monitor all items of expenditure and I have made this point to the publishers of The Lichenologist. One item in the Revenue Account which I would particularly draw attention to is the valuable source of income from the kind donors of Royalties.

Balance Sheet. B.P. International Limited have made a further grant of £400 which has been allocated towards the work of the Conservation Committee. Stocks have an additional item i.e.: Dr. Hawksworth's Keys. Both the Checklist & Keys remain saleable items and therefore can be classed as an asset in the Balance Sheet.

In ending this report I would like to pay tribute to Richard Ashby who has signed the Auditor's certificate for very many years. His death in 1983 is a great loss to the Society and to me personally. An auditor has an unenviable responsibility to members and I am grateful to Dr. T.D.V. Swinscow for agreeing to fill the position.

S.N. TALLOWIN

New, rare or interesting British lichen records

Belonia calcicola V.C. 70, Cumberland: in the Buttermere area, 1981, G. Baron. Second British record, the first being made by Watson c.1935 in Goblin Coomb, North Somerset. Det. P.W.J.

Candelaria concolor Devon: Plymtree nr Cullompton, frequent in orchards which have not been sprayed or the trunks netted, 1983. Barbara Benfield.

Cladonia fragilissima V.C. 57, Derbys: this species is now turning up frequently on dry acid soils. O.L. Gilbert.

Cladonia rei V.C. 25, East Suffolk: in turf on sandy gravel, in what appears to be a gravel working area, Toby's Walks, Blythburgh, May 1983. It somewhat resembles a poor form of C. subulata but has homosekikaic acid. C.J.B. Hitch.

Heterodermia obscurata Somerset: in wind-trimmed Armeria turf on steep coastal slopes east of Hurlstone point, Porlock, (with Parmelia laevigata and P. perlata) 1984. Francis Rose.

Lecania nylanderiana V.C. 26 West Suffolk: on mortar pointing between flints on the south wall of the church, Honnington, July 1983. It was also noted in V.C. 90, Forfar: on mortar on the north wall of a church in Kirriemuir. Despite a lack of species on the church generally, it was quite abundant. C.J.B. Hitch.

Leptogium cyanescens Somerset: on boulders in the River Barle below Mannsey Castle near Dulverton, 1984. Barbara Benfield.

Pertusaria lactescens V.C. 68, North Northumberland: between Rothbury and Alnwick, 1981, G. Baron. First record this century of a species reported as apparently extinct in the check-list. Det. P.W.J.

Pseudocyphellaria crocata Somerset: on ash in Lea Wood above Tarr Steps. Several patches on one tree, 1984. Francis Rose.

Roccella phycopsis Dorset: Portland about 30m above highwater mark, SY705717. Quite a lot in one small area of boulders derived from a siliceous vein in the limestone. This lichen has not been seen for over 100 years in Dorset though there are old records from Portland by Lord Lewisham, James Sowerby and E.M.Holmes. J.V. Carrington.

Sarcogyne privigna V.C. 60, West Lancs: Salwick near Preston 34/46.31, occasional on vertical sandstone church wall, 1983. M. Gosling.

Verrucaria internigrescens Tiree: Ceann à Mhara, 07/9.4, on vertical rocks in sheltered gully, April 1983. Brian Coppins. This brings the list for Tiree to 326.

Lichens on dustbins. On rubber lid of a dustbin, Rawcliffe, near Blackpool, Lancs: Lecidella scabra, Physcia tenella, Candelariella vitellina, 1983, M. Gosling. Same habitat, Saxmundham, Suffolk - tiny colonies of Xanthoria parietina and Phaeophyscia orbicularis, 1983, C.J.B. Hitch.

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 Please send contributions typed in double spacing. I would like to
 include a black and white photograph of general lichenological
 interest in future numbers, would photographers remember this when
 out with their cameras.

Ed.

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J. R. LAUNDON

KEY TO CRUSTOSE PYRENOCARPOUS LICHENS ON LIMESTONE AND
ASSOCIATED SUBSTRATA (EXCLUDING AQUATIC AND MARINE HABITATS).

by B.J.Coppins

In advance of this year's 'Lichens on Limestone' course at Bristol University I decided to prepare a key to the pyrenocarpous lichens inhabiting limestones, associated soils, bryophyte cushions etc., in the British Isles. 'Limestones' in this context includes the more or less pure hard-limestones, such as Carboniferous limestone and the Cambrian (e.g. Durness) limestones, soft limestones such as chalk, and also dolomitic (Magnesian) limestone. Additional substrata include old bones, shell fragments, mortar, concrete and asbestos cement. It is sometimes difficult to draw the line between what is and what is not a limestone, so that many species which favour intermediate rock-types (e.g. basic mica-schist, calcareous sandstones) are also included.

Most of the data for the key has been obtained from personally examined specimens, although Dr. Swinscow's previously published keys to Polyblastia and Staurothele were of great assistance for those genera. A few lichenicolous fungi are included as they can often be mistaken for lichenized species; for a more thorough treatment of lichenicolous fungi see Dr. Hawksworth's key in Lichenologist 15: 1-44 (1983).

The terminology is mostly 'traditional' and explanations can be found in the popular guides (e.g. 'Duncan' or 'Dobson') and Figs. 1 & 2. The term 'paraphyses' is used in a loose sense to include also 'pseudoparaphyses' and 'paraphysoids', but not 'periphyses' (see Fig 2). To count the number of cells in a muriform spore in 'optical section', focus up and down and judge when the middle of the spore is in focus, and then count the number of cells visible. In richly muriform spores this will give an underestimate of the total number, but this number is not required for the purposes of this key. Spore septation is best observed in sections or squashes mounted in Melzer's Iodine; this is especially true in the case of the Verrucariaceae (viz. Verrucaria, Thelidium, Polyblastia, Staurothele), where the spore septation is often otherwise obscured by oily contents.

The size (diameter) of perithecia is best determined from a vertical median-section. This is most easily obtained by:
(1) cutting a perithecium (in situ) in half with a single-edged razor-blade (prior moistening may be necessary); (2) carefully

removing one half (but retaining it for a squash preparation) and measuring the diameter of the remaining piece in situ. This is best done with a stereomicroscope equipped with a measuring eyepiece, but with a little skill can also be accomplished with a hand-lens and a finely calibrated ruler. At the same time, the remaining (in situ) half of the perithecium can be used to observe its general shape (e.g. whether it is 'simple' or 'compound'; see Fig. 1).

This very provisional key is designed for the keen amateur. Numerous problems exist regarding the taxonomy and nomenclature of several of the groups (especially Verrucaria), but it will be many decades before most of these are ironed-out. In the meantime, I hope this key will serve as an encouragement to 'blackdot' enthusiasts, and form a basis for subsequent improved versions. On this final point either the Editor, or myself will welcome constructive points of information or criticism.

1	Spores simple (a few old spores may become 1-sept)...2 Spores septate to muriform..... 17	
2(1a)	Terricolous..... 3 Saxicolous..... 5	
3(2a)	Sps many/ascus, 6-8.5(11)x 4-4.5 µm; paraph. numerous and slender; 'perith.' citrine-yellow with punctiform disc; associated with algal scum on calcareous turf.. <u>Thelocarpon impressellum</u> Sps 8/ascus, larger; paraph. absent; perith. black at least in exposed parts..... 4	
4(3b)	Sps oblong-ellipsoid, sometimes a few 1-sept., 20-25x6-8 µm; perith. simple, 0.1-0.12mm diam; wide-spread and local on calc. turf (incl. old walls etc). <u>Verrucaria melaenella</u> Sps ellipsoid, 17-21x7-10 µm; perith. compound; bare calc. soil, rare, NW Scotland..... <u>Verrucaria</u> sp. (possibly a terric. form of <u>V. muralis</u> .)	
5(2b)	Lichenicolous, forming patches in the thallus of <u>Aspicilia calcarea</u> , (a) <u>Verrucaria aspicilliae</u> with fusiform-ellipsoid sps, 19-26x6-8 µm; (b) <u>V. insularis</u> with subglobose sps, 7-11x6-8 µm. Not lichenicolous, although some species occur as small delimited patches in mosaic communities..... 6	
6(5b)	Perith. forming pits in rock; thallus whitish..... 7 Perith. not forming pits, either prominent or immersed in a thick, epilithic thallus..... 9	

- 7(6a) Perith. < 0.2mm diam, radially fissured around ostiole; sps 15-21x8-10 μ m; common on hard 1st (possibly a species aggregate).....Verrucaria baldensis
Perith. > 0.25mm diam..... 8
- 8(7b) Perith. simple, 0.5-1mm diam, black base often persisting in empty pits; sps 23-32x10-20 μ m; common on 1st and mortar.....Verrucaria hochstetteri
Perith. compound, 0.25-0.75mm diam, pits shallow and never with black bases; sps 18-25x8-12 μ m; common, esp. on mortar.....Verrucaria muralis
- 9(6b) Perith. prominent and + superficial on thin or endolithic thallus..... 10
Perith. at least 1/2-immersed in thick epilithic thallus..... 13
- 10(9a) Perith. with flat spreading involucrellum, 0.2-0.3mm diam; thallus thin, brown, greenish and subgelatinous when moist; sps (?) 8-14x5-7 μ m; on shaded flint on chalk soils in S. England.....Verrucaria mutabilis
Without above combination of characters and habitat 11
- 11(10b) Perith. 0.15-0.2mm diam, + hemispherical; thallus endolithic or thin and pale grey or grey-brown; sps 19-21(26) x 8-11 μ m; shaded 1st and stones, widespread, esp. in S. England, overlooked.....Verrucaria murina
Perith. > 0.25mm diam..... 12
- 12(11b) Perith. 0.3-0.5 mm, very prominent, with ostiole in apical depression; sps 15-24x6-9 μ m; thallus whitish to pale brown-grey, smooth and thin or endolithic, often delimited by dark line; frequent on hard (esp. Carboniferous) 1st.....Verrucaria dufourii
Perith. variable, often superficial but less prominent, 0.25-0.75mm diam, without distinct apical depression; sps 18-25x8-12 μ m; thallus whitish, + farinose or endolithic, effuse; common esp. on soft 1st, mortar and concrete.....Verrucaria muralis
- 13(9b) Thallus blue-grey, finely cracked, delimited by black line (but areolae not black margined); perith. 0.15-0.2mm diam, often with depression around ostiole; sps 14-19x4-7 μ m; local on sheltered, hard 1st.....Verrucaria coerulea
Thallus not blue-grey, but if so then areolae each with a black rim..... 14
- 14(13b) Thallus in small clearly defined patches c. 1-2cm diam, lead-grey to dark grey-brown, deeply cracked-areolate, minutely 'mosaic-like' with areolae each with black rim; perith. 0.1-0.2mm diam; sps 10-18(23)x5-8 μ m; (20-32x5-7 μ m in subsp. canella); calc. rocks and walls, usually in small crevices or ledges on vert. surfaces. Verrucaria glaucina
Thallus in large patches and/or individual areolae without black rim..... 15
- 15(14b) Perith. large, 0.4-0.75mm diam, simple; thallus deeply cracked-areolate (areolae c. 0.6-1.2mm diam), fawn-brown to olive-brown, without dark hypothallus, sometimes with soralia developing from edges of areolae (f. tectorum); sps 20-30x12-16 μ m; common, esp. on soft 1st. (prob. aggregate species.).....Verrucaria viridula
Perith. 0.3mm diam; with dark hypothallus at least at edge of thallus; areolae < 0.4 mm; usually on harder rocks..... 16

16(15b)	Thallus dark brown to blackish, with delimiting black hypothalline line, sometimes with soralia developing from edges of areolae; sps 19-26x9-11 μ m; perith. compound, common..... <u>Verrucaria nigrescens</u> Thallus fawn - to pale amber-brown, delimited by blackish line (superficially like <u>V.coerulea</u>); sps 11-17 x 4-6 μ m; perith. simple; local on hard lst <u>Verrucaria pinguicula</u>	
17(1b)	Spores with transverse septa only.....	18
	Sps muriform, submuriform or cruciately divided.....	38
18(17a)	Sps 1-sept.(occasional abnormal 2-sept. sps sometimes present).....	19
	Sps 3- or more septate.....	32
19(18a)	Sps hyaline (at most straw coloured when old)..	20
	Sps soon brown; all lichenicolous species.....	29
20(19a)	Thread-like paraphyses present amongst mature asci.....	21
	Paraphyses absent (short paraphyses often present in upper part of perith. around ostiole).....	25
21(20a)	Perith. 0.5-1mm diam (photobiont <u>Trentepohlia</u>).....	22
	Perith. 0.3mm diam.....	23
22(21a)	Involucrellum incurved under excipulum and \pm continuous below; sps 17-27x9-12 μ m; on soft lst and mortar..... <u>Acrocordia salweyi</u> Involucrellum spreading, not continuous below; sps 12-19x6-9 μ m; on hard lst..... <u>Acrocordia conoidea</u>	
23(21b)	Paraphyses slender, sparingly branched; sps 17-27x6-8 μ m; photobiont ? <u>Trentepohlia</u> (mixed algal scum usually present); shaded moist lst., esp. chalk stones in S. England..... <u>Arthopyrenia monensis</u> Paraphyses densely branched and anastomosed ('knotted').....	24
24(23b)	Photobiont <u>Trentepohlia</u> ; perith. \pm globose; sps 21-25x 8-11 μ m; shaded moist lst., chalk pebbles etc..... <u>Arthopyrenia saxicola</u> Photobiont 'blue-green'; perith. \pm obconical; sps 20-30 x 9-12 μ m; inundated lst and basic rocks..... <u>Arthopyrenia caesia</u>	
25(20b)	Lichenicolous; perith. minute and sps <5 μ m wide (but up to 8 μ m in <u>S.superpositum</u> on <u>Polyblastia theleodes</u>)..... <u>Stigmidium</u> spp. Not lichenicolous; sps mostly >5 μ m wide.....	26
26(25b)	Sps 9-14x6-7 μ m; perith. compound, superficial to $\frac{1}{2}$ -immersed in rock, 0.3-0.4mm diam, usually with depression around ostiole; thallus thin or \pm endolithic; on hard lst., local..... <u>Thelidium impressum</u> Sps >17 μ m long	27
27(26b)	Perith. immersed in rock and forming pits, 0.3-0.4mm diam; sps 18-40x7-16 μ m; thallus endolithic; on hard lst, common..... <u>Thelidium decipiens</u> Perith. superficial, not pit-forming.....	28

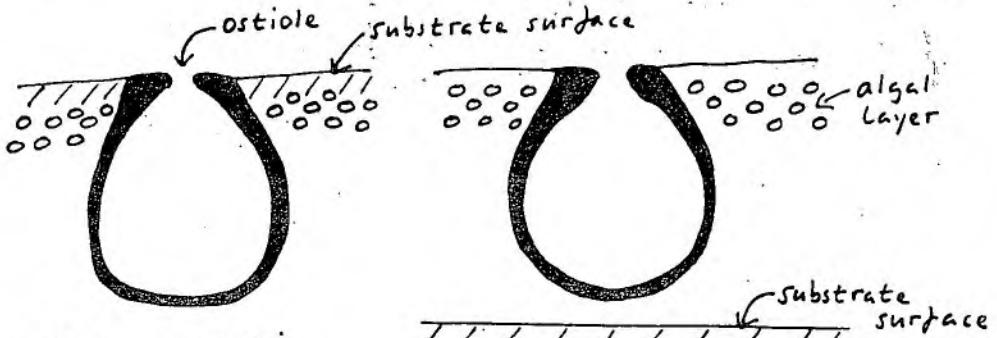
- 28(26b) Perith. large, 0.4-1mm diam; sps 20-32x8-18 μ m;
local in mountain regions.....Thelidium pyrenophorum
Perith. minute; c. 0.2 mm diam; sps 19-28 x 9-12 μ m;
widespread, on shaded stones.....Thelidium mesotropum
- 29(19b) Sps many/ascus, 5-8x2-4 μ m; perith. 0.05-0.11 mm
diam; on various crustose lichens.Muellerella lichenicola
Sps 8 or less/ascus, > 8 μ m long..... 30
- 30(29b) Sps < 20 μ m long, smooth-walled; paraphyses absent..
Endococcus spp.
Sps > 20 μ m long, verrucose; parphyses distinct..... 31
- 31(30b) Sps 8/ascus, 25-36x12-18 μ m; on pyrenocarpous
lichens, widespread but local...Polycoccum marmoratum
Sps 2/ascus, 25-30(40) x 8-12 μ m; on pyrenocarpous
lichens, rare (Gloucs.).....Polycoccum dzieduszyckii
- 32(18b) Perith. pale when wet, appearing hyaline, yellowish
or pinkish..... 33
Perith. dark coloured, even when wet..... 35
- 33(32a) Sps fusiform, 3-sept., 15-20x6-7 μ m (or up to 35 μ m
long in var. dolichospora); ascocarps 'discothecia' at
first immersed, opening with a radially fissured apex
to reveal a pale yellowish poriform disc; photobiont
Scytonema); widespread.....Petractis clausa
Sps acicular, multiseptate; photobiont Trentepohlia.. 34
- 34(33b) Perith. 0.25-0.4mm diam, immersed in thalline
verrucae; sps 50-100 μ m long; thallus mostly epilithic;
local on lst and calc. schists in Scottish mountains..
.....Belonia russula
Perith. 0.2-0.25mm diam, $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ -immersed in rock; sps
50-75 μ m long; thallus mostly endolithic; rare on
lst in England.....Belonia calcicola
- 35(32b) (Three alternatives) Paraphyses distinct, slender
unbranched; sps 8/ascus, 3-sept., 16-25 x 4-5 μ m;
perith. smooth, \pm superficial to $\frac{1}{2}$ -immersed, c. 0.2-
0.3mm diam; photobiont Trentepohlia; widespread and
common on sheltered lst.....Porina linearis
Paraphyses distinct, slender, unbranched; sps 50+/ascus,
3-sept., 11-20 x 4-7 μ m; perith. conspicuously rough-
walled, $\frac{1}{2}$ -immersed in conspicuously orange (when fresh),
thallus or substratum, 0.5-0.8mm diam; photobiont
Trentepohlia; rare on moribund bryophytes and plant
debris on sheltered basic rock in Scottish Mountains...
.....Thelopsis melanthelia.
Paraphyses absent; sps (6-)8/ascus; photobiont not
Trentepohlia (fresh thallus not orange when scratched) 36
- 36(35c) Perith. immersed in rock and leaving pits, 0.3-0.
5 mm diam; sps 3(4) - sept., occasionally 1 (2) transverse
cells with a longitudinal wall, oblong-ellipsoid or
clavate-ellipsoid, 35-53x12-21 μ m thallus endolithic,
whitish or tinged grey or brown; common.Thelidium incavatum
(if sps commonly submuriform see couplet 61)
Perith. \pm superficial, not leaving pits..... 37
- 37(36b) Perith. 0.4-0.7mm diam; thallus epilithic, pale-grey to
umber-brown, rimose; sps 35-50x15-20 μ m, 3(4)-sept.,
occasionally 1(2) trs cells with a longit. wall, on
damp basic rocks in upland areas.....Thelidium papulare
Perith. 0.14-0.2mm diam; thallus endolithic and whitish,
or epilithic, thin and pale grey to olivaceous; sps
26-32x10-14 μ m; on shaded stones (esp. chalk), frequent
in S. England.....Thelidium microcarpum

38(17b)	Hymenium with numerous small bright green algal cells.....	39
	Hym. without such algal cells.....	46
39(38a)	Sps 8/ascus, hyaline to pale straw.....	40
	Sps 2 or 4/ascus, brown or hyaline.....	44
40(39a)	Hym. algae elongate, 3-10x2-3 μ m.....	41
	Hym. algae cuboid or globose, 2-4 μ m diam.....	43
41(40a)	Perith. simple, immersed in rock and forming pits, 0.2-0.35mm diam; sps 25-35x15-18 μ m; thallus endolithic; on hard lst., rare.....	<u>Staurothele bacilligera</u>
	Perith. prominent, compound, 0.3-0.7mm diam.....	42
42(41b)	Thallus endolithic, whitish; sps 25-32x15-20 μ m; widespread, often on chalk stones <u>Staurothele hymenogonia</u> Thallus epilithic, dark brown to blackish; sps 35-45x 15-25 μ m; on periodically flushed or inundated rocks in upland areas.....	<u>Staurothele succedens</u>
43(40b)	Thallus endolithic, white or pale grey; perith. simple, immersed in rock and forming pits; sps 30-40 x 18-25 μ m; freq. on hard lst in England.....	<u>Staurothele caesia</u>
	Thallus epilithic, yellowish - to brownish grey, thick and rimose; perith. compound, c. $\frac{1}{2}$ -immersed in thallus; and not forming pits; sps 25-35 x 12-19 μ m; rare (SW England).....	<u>Staurothele rugulosa</u>
44(39b)	Sps hyaline to pale straw, 2/ascus, 42-56x15-25 μ m; thallus endolithic, whitish; perith. immersed in rock; rare (NW Scotland)	<u>Staurothele orbicularis</u>
	Sps soon brown.....	45
45(44b)	Perith. simple, immersed in rock; thallus endolithic, whitish to pale grey; sps 4/ascus, 30-50x18-25 μ m; wide- spread on hard lst.....	<u>Staurothele rupifraga</u>
	Perith. compound, prominent; thallus endo- to epilithic grey; sps 2/ascus, 35-45x15-25 μ m; rare (S. Wales) ...	<u>Staurothele rufa</u>
46(38b)	Paraphyses numerous and slender.....	47
	Paraphyses absent (beware paraphyses!).....	48
47(46a)	Paraphyses simple, excipulum hyaline but with yellowish oil-droplets esp. in lower part; sps (4) 6-8/ascus, fusiform with attenuated apices, (36) 50-60(98)x 10-12(14) μ m; asci thin-walled at apex; on sheltered lst or basic rocks, esp. underhangs and equivalent niches on walls, widespread (often sterile).. <u>Belonia nidarosiensis</u> Paraphyses branched and anastomosed; excipulum brown at least in upper part; sps 4/ascus (8/ascus in var. <u>octospora</u> (Nyl.) Cretz.), oblong-ellipsoid, 60-90x 15-25 μ m; asci with thickened apex and distinct ocular chamber; muscicolous on calc. soils and rocks, wide- spread esp. in N and W	<u>Microglæna muscicola</u>
48(46b)	Terricolous (on soil, bryophytes or moribund lichens).....	49
	Saxicolous.....	54
49(48a)	Sps soon brown, 70-125x38-60 μ m, 8/ascus; perith. 0.4-0.5mm diam, simple; thallus blackish; on calc. sandy soil, mainly in N. Scotland. <u>Polyblastia wheldonii</u> Sps hyaline (old sps may be straw coloured).....	50

50(49b)	Sps 2/ascus.....	51
	Sps mainly 8/ascus (a few sometimes aborting).....	52
51(50a)	Thallus minutely squamulose; perith. 0.4-0.5mm diam, rough-walled and often sulcate; sps 80-120x30-50 µm; usually amongst moribund bryophytes and lichens, often on old walls, common but easily overlooked when sterile.....	<u>Agonimia tristicula</u>
	Thallus filmy or granular; perith. 0.1-0.2mm diam, smooth; sps 40-70x18-26 µm; coastal dunes and shingle in N Britain, rare.....	<u>Polyblastia agraria</u>
52(50b)	Perith. simple; thallus dark greenish to blackish; sps 30-60(75) x 15-25 µm; widespread and frequent esp. in N & W	<u>Polyblastia gelatinosa</u>
	Perith. compound; thallus never blackish.....	53
53(52b)	Sps 50-80x20-40 µm; thallus superficial pale - to brownish-grey; perith, immersed in thalline warts, involucrellum adhering to excipulum; rare (Scottish mountains).	<u>Polyblastia terrestris</u>
	Sps 20-50(55) x 10-30 µm; thallus whitish, immersed in substratum; perith. only ¼-½-immersed, with spreading involucrellum; rare on consolidated soil (Sussex) but more common on rock (see 64a)..	<u>Polyblastia cupularis</u>
54(48b)	Sps soon brown.....	55
	Sps hyaline (old sps may be straw coloured).....	59
55(54a)	Sps > 50 µm long	56
	Sps < 45 µm long	57
56(55a)	Sps dark brown, 60-100x30-60 µm; perith. c. 0.7-1.2mm diam; on calc. rocks (often inundated) in upland districts, local.....	<u>Polyblastia theleodes</u>
	Sps mostly hyaline, occasionally medium brown, 50-75 x 20-35 µm; perith. c. 0.5-0.8mm diam; dry calc. or basic rocks in Scottish mountains, rare.....	<u>Polyblastia inumbrata</u>
57(55b)	Perith. 0.4-0.8mm diam, mostly ¼-½-immersed in thallus, compound; sps muriform (>15 cells in optical section); basic rocks (esp. calc. schists) in Highland Britain; local.....	<u>Polyblastia melaspora</u>
	Perith. < 0.3 mm diam; sps submuriform (<12 cells in optical section).....	58
58(57b)	Perith. immersed in rock, 0.15-0.25mm diam; sps with thick hyaline episore, 23-35x8-16 µm; thallus endolithic: mostly on hard lst., local.....	<u>Polyblastia deminuta</u>
	Perith. prominent, 0.1-0.2mm diam; sps without episore, often cruciately divided, 10-16(30) x 6-10 (12.5) µm; lichenicolous on thallus of esp. <u>Protoblastenia</u> spp., local.....	<u>Merismatium lopadii</u>
59(54b)	Perith. simple, immersed in rock, thallus endolithic.....	60
	Perith. compound, prominent or partly immersed in an epilithic thallus.....	62
60(59a)	Sps fully muriform (> 15 cells in opt. sect.), 25-50x 12-25 µm; widespread and frequent..	<u>Polyblastia albida</u>
	Sps submuriform (<10 cells in opt.sect.).....	61

- 61(60b) Sps mainly 3-sept., occasional sps 4-sept. or with one cell with one longit. wall, 35-53x12-21 μ m; common.....
Thelidium incavatum.
 Sps basically 3-4 sept. but most sps with 1-2 trs cells longitudinally divided, 25-50x12-25 μ m; widespread but probably less common than 61a.....
Polyblastia dermatodes
- 62(59b) Sps submuriform (<12 cells in opt. sect.)..... 63
 Sps fully muriform (>15 cells in opt. sect.)..... 64
- 63(62a) Sps mainly 3(4)-sept., occasional sps with 1-2 cells with a single longit. wall, 35-50x15-21 μ m; perith. 0.4-0.7mm diam, < 1/2-immersed; thallus-grey - to amber brown; freq. on damp basic rocks in uplands (see 37a).....Thelidium papulare
 Sps mostly submuriform with 3-5 septa and 2-3 trs cells with 1-2 longit. walls, 30-45(68)x15-21 μ m; perith. 0.4-0.7mm diam, 1/2-3/4-immersed; thallus whitish to pale grey; rather dry basic rocks in Scottish mountains, rare.....Polyblastia verrucosa
- 64(63b) Sps 20-55x10-30 μ m; perith. 0.4-0.8mm diam, at most 1/2-immersed; thallus whitish to grey-brown; widespread on lst and basic rock in upland areas.....
Polyblastia cupularis
 Sps within the range 50-80x20-35 μ m; rare species.... 65
- 65(64b) Thallus greenish or pale brownish-grey, coarsely granular to smooth or widely cracked; perith. at least 1/2-immersed in thalline warts; sps 50-80x20-35 μ m; on calc. stones and rocks and associated soil and moribund bryophytes, upland areas, rare..Polyblastia terrestris
 Thallus greenish grey to dark brown, continuous or finely cracked; perith. at most 1/2-immersed by thalline cuffs; sps 50-75x20-35 μ m; dry calc. or basic rocks in Scottish mountains, rare.....Polyblastia inumbrata

PERITHECIA

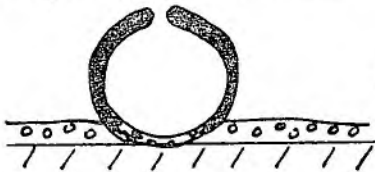


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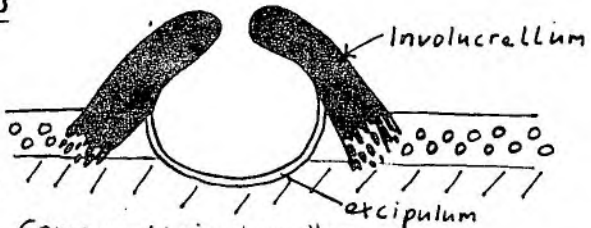
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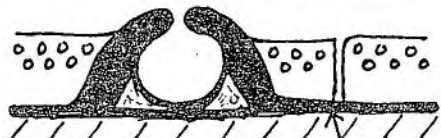
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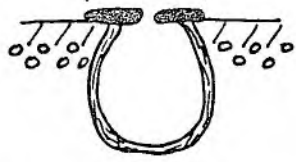
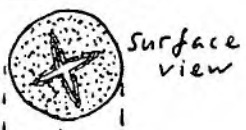
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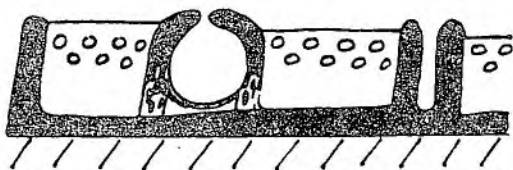
Compound; involucrellum spreading
Verrucaria muralis



Compound; involucrellum spreading; \pm immersed in thallus.
Verrucaria nigrescens



Compound with narrow, flat involucrellum; fissured around ostiole.
Verrucaria baldensis



\pm compound (involucrellum often difficult to differentiate from excipulum); immersed in thallus. Hypothallus well-developed and forming rim to areole.
Verrucaria glaucina



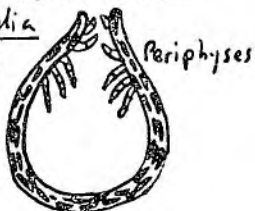
True Paraphyses

Originate from bottom of cavity and grow upwards; mostly unbranched.

Acrocordia

Belonia

Porina



Paraphysoides

At first short hyphae crossing the cavity - then stretching and resembling pseudo-paraphyses.

Arthonia, Opegrapha



Pseudoparaphyses

At first short hyphae originating from top of cavity; finally anchoring to base of cavity; sometimes becoming detached above.

Arthopyrenia

Periphyses

Verrucaria

Staurothele

Polyblastia

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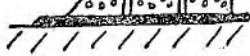
THE HYPOTHECIUM



Confined (as dark pigmented tissue) to edge of thallus.

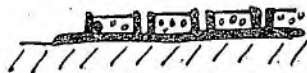
Verrucaria dufourii

V. pinguicula



Continuous underneath thallus and extending to the edge.

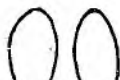
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Continuous underneath thallus but also forming rim to individual areolae.

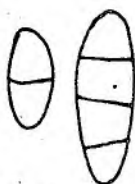
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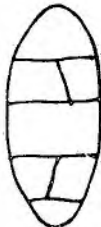


Simple (occasionally an old spore may become one-septate).

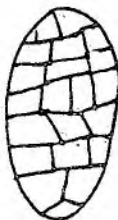
Verrucaria



Transversely septate
Thelidium



Submuriform
Polyblastia



muriform
Polyblastia
Staurothele
Microglaena



spore surrounded by gelatinous - epispore
Polyblastia deminuta 'halo'



Acicular; multiseptate
Belonia

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