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I hope that you find this issue of Kalmiopsis worth the wait. For many years, Frank Lang has been sleuthing the life of John Jeffrey, the young Scotsman who discovered Jeffrey and foxtail pines, McNab cypress, and azure penstemon. Here, for the first time, he reveals the remarkable correspondence surrounding Jeffrey's mysterious disappearance in 1854. See if you share his suspicions, or derive a conclusion of your own of "poor Jeffrey's fate." The next article jumps abruptly ahead to the digital age: Bob Korfhage shares his photography expertise for improving your wildflower images. I'm looking forward to publishing magnificent plant photos in future Kalmiopsis issues when NPSO members implement his suggestions in the field. Mariana Bornholdt's biography of gentleman-botanist-adventurer Martin Gorman is a perfect complement to NPSO Occasional Paper No. 3 (Rare Plants and Vile Weeds: urbanizing flora of Portland, Oregon, 1806-2006), scheduled for publication this year. Gorman's plant surveys provided the foundation for assessing changes in Portland's flora over the past 200 years. In this last year of the Lewis and Clark celebration, the Plant of the Year series brings us Oregon grape, our state flower. Sit back, put your feet up, and take some time to enjoy these stories related to Oregon's native flora!



Jeffrey pine cones, near type location in the Shasta Valley, California Photo by Frank Lang

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