

A QUESTION OF NOMENCLATURE.

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I HAD occasion to examine a plant sent in for determination and in the National Herbarium found specimens of a similar plant filed away under three different genera. After looking into the matter I was able to settle the point by reference to literature and the specimens.

1. In 1915 Mrs. L. Bolus described a plant collected by the late Prof. Pearson as *Sutera rigida* L. Bolus (Ann. S.A. Mus., vol. 9, p. 267). She quoted *Pearson*, 3619 as one of the specimens of the species.

2. In 1922 (Hook. Ic. Pl., t. 3007), N. E. Brown described a new genus *Antherothamnus* and named the plants *A. Pearsonii* N. E. Br. *Pearson*, 3619 is one of the quoted specimens.

3. In 1928 (Sukkulentenforschung in Südwest-Afrika, p. 29) K. Dinter mentions a plant *Manuleopsis Karasmontana* Dtr. MS. He also distributed specimens (*Dinter*, 5088) under that name.

Mrs. L. Bolus was good enough to lend me a sheet of *Pearson* 3619 and it was found to be the same plant as *Dinter* 5088. The species must then be:—

Antherothamnus rigida (L. Bolus) N. E. Br. *Sutera rigida* L. Bolus; *Manuleopsis Karasmontana* *Dinter nomen nudum*.

SOUTH WEST AFRICA.—Great Karasberg: Krai Kluff Ravine, *Pearson*, 8284. Great Namaqualand: Warmbad, *Pearson*, 4377. Bushmanland: Groot Rozybosch, *Pearson*, 3619. Klein Karas: *Dinter*, 5088.

TRANSVAAL.—Potgietersrust distr.: Farm "Swerwerskraal," about 35 miles west of Potgietersrust, *Rowland in Nat. Herb.*, 8792.

