HENRIETTA
Henry! Henry! Henry! Henry! Henry! Henry!

HENRY
Easy, Henrietta. I'll be right down.

HENRIETTA
- Henry?

HENRY

HENRIETTA
It's been accepted. My Alsophila ignocardium grahami. They've accepted it.

HENRY
Try to speak calmly, my dear. What is it they have accepted?

HENRIETTA
It's a tropical tree-fern. And I discovered it during our honeymoon. And when I couldn't classify it, I thought it might be a true species. But I couldn't believe it, so I sent it to Wagner at the University of Michigan. And Henry, it is. It's a true species. I've discovered a true species.

HENRY
Well. That's very nice. Very nice. Well, well. Now you'll be able to name a whole species, won't you? Just like what's his name? - Louis de Bougainville.

HENRIETTA
That's right. Or James Parkinson.

HENRY/HENRIETTA
Or Brussels sprouts.
HENRY
Well, well, well. You've achieved the kind of immortality after all, haven't you? Now you'll be in all the atlases under L right before Morgan, Muller and Mendel.

HENRIETTA
It would be cross-indexed under G. Alsophila grahami, for Graham.

HENRY
For Graham? You mean that you've discovered a new species and have named it for Graham after doing all your work as Lowell? You fool. That's not the way to name a species. Can't you do anything right?

HENRIETTA
I didn't name it for me, Henry, I named it for you. Alsophila grahami, for Henry Graham.

HENRY
Alsophila grahami, for Henry Graham. Well, are you sure that they'll know I mean, that it's me? Will they have my name in the atlas under under G? For Henry Graham?

HENRIETTA
Yes, and they'll have you in all the textbooks, Henry, as a footnote. As a footnote and in the atlases under G.

HENRY
Well, I've achieved a small slice of immortality myself, haven't I? As a footnote and under G.

HENRIETTA
Are you pleased, Henry?

HENRY
Oh yes, it was very thoughtful of you, Henrietta. I believe I am pleased.

HENRIETTA
- I put a tip of one frond into a plastic token - so that you can wear
it always. If you want to.

She hands him the present.

HENRY
Oh yes. Well, why not? I mean it will be a wonderful conversation piece. "What frond is in your token, Henry?" "Oh, my own frond. An Alsophila grahami. Why do you ask?"

HENRIETTA
You like it?

HENRY
Yes, yes. Very attractive, isn't it? Good lines. I mean, for a frond. Don't you, don't you think it should be under under L? I mean Alsophila lowellia or something? I feel as though you've given me your place in the atlases.

HENRIETTA
Henry, I don't think I could have ever discovered it without you. You gave me confidence. You remember? You said, that if being with you was going to give me confidence, I was going to be a very confident botanist. Well, you were right.

HENRY
Alsophila grahami. Well, well, well.