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## BOTANICAL NOTE

Erophila conferta Wilmott in Scotland.—The early history of this new species has been given by the late Mr. A. J. Wilmott in his paper "A New Species of Erophila in Britain: E. Conferta", Watsonia, Vol. 1, Part 111, pp. 137-138, but it is now necessary to give a progress report as the plant has escaped from my garden near Aberfeldy, v.-c. 88 (Perthshire).

In the spring of this year I was astonished to see a few plants of this species on a wall top about  $\frac{1}{8}$  of a mile away from the stone dyke that surrounds the garden where it had become firmly established. It had not spread widely in the garden but two or three plants had appeared within the boundary dyke about 15 yards beyond the main concentration.

I have done nothing to assist the spread, but have within reason refrained from weeding fruiting plants. I am unable to account for the journey to the wall top as there is no suitable intervening locality, nor is there any sign of plants anywhere between them, nor has there been any removal of plants or soil from my garden. What is of interest is that the new habitat, unlike the ones in my garden, bears a marked resemblance to those in the Island of Rhodes from which I originally gathered my specimens.

At the beginning of November I went to look at the wall top to find that among the much increased colony of rosettes four had sent up stems and were in flower. It should be noted that at the time of my gathering in Rhodes the plants were in flower (8th March 1934) and that the seed ripened in my press.

I have purposely refrained from giving details of the locality, and beg anybody interested in obtaining specimens to get in touch with me as there will be ample material in my garden, and I am particularly anxious that the new colony should remain unmolested.

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