

*m m* Cæcæ appendices vesiculæ, quæ in hoc cada-  
vere breves fuerunt.

*n n* Appendices aliquæ ramosæ.

*o* Ductus feminifer per prostaram euns.

*p* Ductus vesiculæ excretorius ipsi insertus.

XIII. *A Letter from John Martyn, M. D.*  
Prof. Botan. Cantab. & F.R.S. *to the Presi-*  
*dent, concerning an Aurora Borealis seen*  
February 16. 1749-50.

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Chelsey, Feb. 21. 1749-50.

Read Feb. 22.  
1749-50.

ON Friday the 16th there was a bright  
*Aurora Borealis*, the Northern Part  
of the Sky being intirely filled with a pale Light, in  
which frequent Coruscations were visible. Besides  
these Lights, there was a perfect uniform Arch, ex-  
tending from East to West: the Colour of it was the  
same with that of the *Aurora*; with which however  
it did not seem to have any Communication, being  
placed several Degrees to the Southward. The Shoul-  
ders of *Orion* were visible thro' this luminous Arch,  
in the Western Part of it, and *Cor Leonis* in the  
Eastern Part. I did not happen to see it till about  
a Quarter before Ten; and at Ten it disappeared.  
The Weather was then, and has been ever since, ex-  
ceedingly warm for the Season. The Walls are  
covered with Blossoms; and the Hyacinths, Daffodils,  
&c. are blown before the usual time. I am, with  
the greatest Respect,

S I R,

Your most humble Servant,  
JOHN MARTYN.