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HISTORICAL NOTE

Between 1718 and 1904 various members of the British royal family owned or leased houses or land near the riverside villages of Richmond and Kew, about eight miles from Westminster. In 1718 Frederick, Prince of Wales (later King George III) leased Richmond Lodge as a summer residence. In 1727 the house was bestowed on his wife, Queen Caroline, and she soon extended the estate, incorporating a number of houses near Kew Green. They included the Dutch House, later called Kew Palace. In 1731 her son, Prince Frederick, leased a nearby house, the White House (later Kew House), which he enlarged and which was to serve as a rural retreat for his family. After his death in 1751, it was the home of his widow, Princess Augusta, who was to be mainly responsible for the development of the park and gardens in the next twenty years.

Queen Caroline engaged the landscape gardeners Charles Bridgeman and William Kent to design the park and gardens at Richmond Lodge, including a canal, a pond, serpentine walks, mounds and an assortment of monuments and statues. At Kew, Princess Augusta employed various gardeners and architects, including William Chambers and Lancelot (Capability) Brown. Chambers designed the Orangery and the Pagoda, which still stand today. The garden also had a lake, a flower garden, a menagerie, several temples, a Palladian bridge, glasshouses and a small physic or exotic garden ‘with a prodigious variety of exotic plants’. The gardener William Aiton arrived at Kew in 1759 and within a few years he was placed in charge of the physic garden. He became the head gardener at Kew in 1784 and, following his death in 1793, he was succeeded by his son William T. Aiton. In 1795 Aiton became responsible for Richmond Gardens as well and within a few years the boundary walls between the two gardens were demolished.

From 1764 onwards Richmond Lodge was the summer retreat of King George III, Queen Charlotte and their children. In 1772, after Princess Augusta died, they moved to Kew House. Shortly afterwards, Joseph Banks began his long reign as the unofficial director of Kew Gardens. A close friend of the King, he was determined to expand the botanical functions of the gardens and thereby create a royal garden that would surpass the botanical gardens in Paris, Vienna and elsewhere. Moreover, he hoped that, by building up a network of collectors and gardeners around the world, as many new plants as possible would be acquired and grown in the royal gardens. He was supported by the Aitons and other gardeners at Kew and by colonial governors and the East India Company. Banks ensured that botanists such as David Nelson, Archibald Menzies and Robert Brown were given berths on Royal Navy ships embarking on exploring voyages. Collectors, often trained at Kew, were sent overseas for long periods, notably Francis Masson (Spain, Portugal, Africa, North America), William Kerr (China), James Bowie (Brazil), George Caley (New South Wales) and Allan Cunningham (Brazil, New South Wales). In 1793 William Roxburgh became the first superintendent of the botanical garden at Calcutta and he and Banks inaugurated the exchange of plants and seeds between Kew and botanical gardens in colonies and foreign countries.

In 1823 the walled botanic garden at Kew occupied 11 acres, compared to the surrounding pleasure ground of lawns and woodlands of 178 acres. After the death of Banks in 1820, the gardens no longer had powerful supporters. Queen Charlotte had died in Kew Palace in 1818, the new king George IV had little interest in gardens, William T. Aiton spent much of his time at Buckingham Palace and other royal gardens, and rival botanical gardens were being established in London and elsewhere. At Kew the hothouses were dilapidated, garden buildings were shabby and the lake had shrunk to a muddy pond. Allan Cunningham, the last of the Kew collectors overseas, was directed to
return from Australia in 1830. In 1838, shortly after the accession of Queen Victoria, the Treasury began a review of the royal household, including the royal gardens. The future of Kew Gardens as a national botanic garden was in jeopardy. It was saved largely by a report sent to the Treasury by John Lindley, the professor of botany at University College, London. He recommended that the State take over the botanic garden and transform it into ‘a powerful means of promoting national science’, providing great benefits to medicine, commerce, agriculture and horticulture. It would require more space, more glasshouses, the systematic naming of all plants, nurseries, exhibitions and public lectures. There was uncertainty for two years, but in 1840 the Government declared that it had no intention of breaking up Kew Gardens and it would be transferred from the Lord Steward to the Commissioner of Woods and Forests. Sir William Hooker, the professor of botany at Glasgow University, was appointed the first director.

Hooker, an eminent scientist, able administrator and a man of great energy, remained in the post until his death in 1865. In those 25 years he carried out many of Lindley’s recommendations and, to a large extent, created a national botanic garden that was the equal of any in the world. The gardens were greatly enlarged when the kitchen garden and the pleasure grounds were taken over in 1845-46. Impressive new buildings were constructed, such as the Palm House (1848) and the Temperate House (1862). A new arboretum was begun in the old pleasure grounds, walks and parterres were built, the pond was enlarged and landscaped, and a medicinal garden and flower gardens created. A museum of economic botany and a herbarium were opened. The gardens attracted a growing number of scientists from Britain and overseas and also, rather to Hooker’s dismay, the general public, especially after the railway reached Kew in 1853. The Botanical Gardens were only open to the public in the afternoons, but visitor numbers grew from 9000 in 1841 to 180,000 in 1850 and nearly 530,000 in 1865.

Hooker resumed Sir Joseph Banks’s practice of sending plant collectors to distant countries and recommending the appointment of naturalists to Royal Navy exploring vessels. Like Banks, he had a huge network of correspondents and, as botanical gardens were gradually established by colonial and foreign government, Kew acquired more and more plants from overseas. In exchange, Hooker and his staff supplied other gardens with numerous plants, recommended the appointment of colonial gardeners and botanists, and provided expert advice to governors and botanic gardens. In developing this imperial role, Kew was often seen as the botanical department of the Colonial and Foreign Offices.

After 1865 the imperial role was maintained by Hooker’s successors: his son Joseph Hooker, Wlliam Thiselton-Dyer, David Prain and Arthur Hill. They despatched large quantities of seeds and plants to the colonies and corresponded with colonial gardeners, many of whom had been trained at Kew, about new plants, crop trials, plant diseases and the exchange of plants between gardens. Increasing attention was given to economic botany and the development of colonial industries, such as coffee, tea, sugar, rubber and timber industries. In particular, Kew played a crucial part in the establishment of the rubber industry in Ceylon and Malaya. At home, the directors continued and consolidated the work of William Hooker. From time to time, more land was acquired and new walks and buildings were erected, such as the Alpine House (1887). Almost every year, private herbaria were presented to the Gardens, as well as collections of botanical drawings. Like Hooker, the directors viewed the Gardens as primarily a scientific research institution and for years they resisted pressure to extend the opening hours for the general public. In 1912, however, they were opened all day during the summer months and from 1921 onwards they were open all day every day. Annual visitor numbers first exceeded one million in 1882 and reached as high as four million during World War I.
Head gardeners of Kew Gardens

1731-53    John Dillman
1753-58    Robert Greening
1758-84    John Haverfield
1784-93    William Aiton
1793-1841  William T. Aiton

Directors of the Royal Botanic Gardens

1841-65    Sir William Hooker
1865-85    Sir Joseph Hooker
1885-1905  Sir William Thiselton-Dyer
1905-22    Sir David Prain
1922-41    Sir Arthur Hill
1941-43    Sir Geoffrey Evans (acting)
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Papers of John Armstrong

John Armstrong (d. 1847) was a gardener in Surrey and British Honduras, before coming to Australia. He worked in the government gardens at Port Essington in 1838-40. He spent his last years in Timor cultivating rice.

The papers comprise biographical notes, letters (1837-40) from Armstrong to William T. Aiton and others at Kew Gardens, written from Port Essington and Copang (Kupang) and lists of plants.

Papers of George Barclay

George Barclay was a Kew gardener and collector. He was the naturalist on HMS Sulphur in 1836-41 on a surveying voyage to South America and the Sandwich Islands.

The papers comprise list of plants forwarded to the Royal Botanic Gardens, letters (1837-39) from Barclay to William T. Aiton, written from the Sandwich Islands and Mexico, and lists of plants discovered at various locations.

Papers of George Caley

George Caley (1770-1829) studied botany in Manchester and later worked at the Kew Gardens. In 1798 he was selected by Sir Joseph Banks to go to New South Wales as a collector. He arrived in 1800 and was allotted a house and garden at Parramatta. He assiduously explored the Sydney region, collecting plants and seeds and also birds and animals, which he sent to Banks. He also travelled to Van Diemen’s Land, Westernport, Jervis Bay, the Hunter River and Norfolk Island. He returned to England in 1810. From 1816 to 1822 he was the superintendent of the botanical garden at St Vincent in the West Indies.

The papers consist of correspondence with Sir Saul Samuel about the papers of Caley acquired by the New South Wales Government (1897-98), biographical notes, transcripts from correspondence (1800-25) of Caley with George Suttor and Sir Joseph Banks (62pp) and a copy of John Lee. *Rules for collecting and preserving seeds from Botany Bay*, n.d.

Papers of Allan Cunningham and James Bowie

Allan Cunningham (1791-1839) joined the staff of the Royal Botanic Gardens in 1808 and was later appointed a botanical collector. In 1814-16 he collected plants in Brazil and was then sent to New South Wales. In the next 14 years he undertook numerous exploring expeditions in the interior of the colony, visited New Zealand, and was the naturalist on four surveying voyages of HMS Mermaid and HMS Bathurst, commanded by P.P. King. He worked in Kew in 1831-36, before returning to Sydney. James Bowie (c. 1789-1869) commenced work at the Royal Botanic Gardens in 1810. In
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Papers of William Grant Milne

William Grant Milne (d. 1866) was a gardener at the Edinburgh Botanic Garden. He was the botanist on the Pacific Ocean surveying voyage of HMS Herald, commanded by Capt. H.M. Denham, in 1852-59.

Documents including the terms of Milne’s appointment as assistant naturalist on HMS Herald (19 April 1852), correspondence of Sir William Hooker concerning bills drawn by Milne, letters from Milne to John Smith, the curator at the Royal Botanic Gardens (1852-59), lists of plants, and a log kept by Milne on HMS Herald (June 1852-Nov. 1853) with detailed reports on anthropology, botany and natural history of the places visited.

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Papers of Berthold Seemann

Berthold Carl Seemann (1825-1871), who was born in Hanover, studied botany at the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew. In 1847 he was appointed naturalist on HMS Herald, commanded by Captain Henry Kellett, which surveyed the west coast of America. The expedition returned via Hawaii, the East...
Indies and the Cape of Good Hope in 1851. In 1859 he visited Fiji and published a catalogue of the botany of the islands. From 1864 until his death he spent most of his time in South America.

Journal kept by Seemann while serving on HMS Herald, 1847-49, including notes on the botany of various places in South America, correspondence with John Smith at the Royal Botanic Gardens, plant and seed lists, and financial papers. (77 folios)

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Sir William Jackson Hooker (1785-1865) became interested in natural history at an early age and was elected to the Linnean Society in 1806. He toured Scotland, the Hebrides, the Orkneys and Iceland in 1807-9 and later spent nine months in Europe. He had a particular interest in mosses and wrote *Muscologia Britannica* (1818). In 1820 he was appointed Professor of Botany at Glasgow University. In his time at Glasgow he wrote a number of major works, including *Flora Scotica*, *Catalogue of plants in the Royal Botanic Garden of Glasgow* (1825) and *The British flora* (1830). In 1841 he was appointed the first full-time director of the Royal Gardens at Kew, a post that he held until his death. Under his leadership, the botanic garden was enlarged, plants were received from all over the world, and Kew became the centre of a worldwide network of gardens and herbaria.

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1-126 Letters to Sir William Hooker (Kew) from William Archer (Hobart, Launceston, Deloraine), Sir Henry Barkly (Melbourne), Sir Redmond Barry (Melbourne), George Bennett (Sydney), Joseph Bidwill (Sydney), William Blandowski (London), Sir George Bowen (Brisbane), Capel Brockman (Bunbury), Charles Brown (New Plymouth), William Burges (Champion Bay), George Burnett (Whangarei), B.D. Clarkson (Perth), George Clifton (Fremantle), Sir Dominick Daly (Adelaide), Sir William Denison (Hobart, Sydney), Rupert de Vere (Sandhurst, Victoria), Edwin Dickson (Auckland), C.S. Dumas (Torquay, Sydney), Eliza Dumas (London), James Drummond (Tookeyy, WA), George Francis (Adelaide), Sir George Grey (Auckland), Julius von Haast (Christchurch), William Hill (Brisbane), William Hillebrand, Maubry Hopkins (London), Emma Jones (Auckland), Charles Knight (Auckland), A.A. Leycester (Richmond River, Singleton, NSW), John Lhotsky (London), Sir William Macarthur (Camden, London), Sir Richard MacDonnell (Adelaide), George Maxwell (King George’s Sound), Charles Moore (Sydney) and Ferdinand von Mueller (Melbourne...
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Volume 75  Australian and Pacific letters, 1859-65 (contd.)

127-250 Letters to Sir William Hooker (Kew). The principal correspondent is Ferdinand von Mueller, the Victorian Government Botanist and director of the Melbourne Botanical Gardens from 1857 to 1873. Other correspondents include Rev. Thomas Powell (Tutuila, Samoa), William Pritchard (Fiji), Berthold Seemann (Sydney, Ovalau, Fiji), Shepherd & Co. (Sydney), Andrew Sinclair (Auckland, Nelson), H.J. Smythe (Levuka), Arthur Stock (Wellington), William L. Travers (Nelson, Christchurch), G.S. Walters (London), F. Wakefield (Canterbury, NZ), Rev. Samuel Waterhouse (Fiji), Carl Wilhelmi (Melbourne), Rev. William Woolls (Parramatta) and Sir John Young (Sydney).

Volume 76  New Zealand, Western Australian and Tasmanian letters, 1835-43

1-61 Letters to William Hooker (Glasgow, Kew) from William Colenso (Paihia), James Drummond (Perth, Tooyay), Thomas K. Short (London), Ronald C. Gunn (Launceston, Circular Head), W. Wilson, Richard Moody (Falkland Islands), Joseph Hooker (Falkland Islands), E.V. Thompson, Jorgen Jorgensen (Hobart), John Armstrong (Plymouth), James Stephen (London), W.C. Ondaatje (Peradinea, Ceylon), C. Campbell (Kandy), G.W. Hope (London), Sir George Gipps (Sydney) and Alexander McLeay (Sydney). Item 48 is the draft of a biographical sketch of Richard Cunningham and item 61 is an agreement between the Admiralty and the Royal Mail Stream Packet Co. (1840).

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Official correspondence 1865-1928

The letters were mostly addressed to Sir Joseph Hooker, Sir William Thistleton-Dyer, Sir David Prain and Sir Arthur Hill. Hooker, Thistleton-Dyer and Hill each spent lengthy periods as assistant directors before they took over as directors of the Royal Botanic Gardens. Some letters are written to curators, librarians and other members of the staff. Occasionally copies of their replies are included with the letters.

Volume 149  Asia letters, 1909-28

Select pages:

43-44 Borneo: letters from J.P. Mead (Kuching) and A. Parker Smith

Lumpur), L. Lewton-Brain (Kuala Lumpur), A. Sharples (Kuala Lumpur) and W.L. Wood (Kuala Semerak).


Philippines: letters from A.D.E. Elmer, Sir David Prain, Elmer Merrill and A. Wigglesworth.


Volume 165  East Asia letters, 1866-1900


Penang: letters from Rev. Louis Biggs, Charles Curtis, E. Loureirs, H. Mann, T.A. Wooldridge, R. Berry, J.S. Goodenough, D.F.A. Hervey and Hugh Low. The principal correspondent is Charles Curtis, who was the first superintendent of the Penang Botanic Gardens.

Perak: letters from C.V. Creagh, P.A. Saccardo, B. Scortechini and Sir Ferdinand von Mueller.

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Volume 165  (contd.)

Perak: letters from B. Scortechini, Frank Swettenham, Owen Thomas, Leonard Wray and A.D. Newbronner.

Philippines: letters from Marquis de Casa Laiglesia, Charles Cundall, Hugh Cundall, Regius Garcia, A. Gollan, T.H. Haynes, George Hickson, A. Owen Jones, A. Loher,


Volume 166 East Asia letters, 1866-1900

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Volume 166 East Asia letters, 1866-1900 (contd.)

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Volume 167 Malayan letters, 1901-14


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Volume 167 Malayan letters, 1901-14 (contd.)

Volume 168 Malayan letters, 1901-14
1-190 Singapore. The main correspondents are Henry Burkill and Henry Ridley, the directors of the Singapore Botanic Gardens. There are also letters from James Anderson, Sir John Anderson (London), G. Battiscombe, Ethel Burkill, R. Derry, Heinrich Engler, Walter Fox, R. Hamitsch, Sir Charles Lucas (London), A.D. Machado, G. Burn Murdoch, Sir Cecil Smith and Otto Stapf (Kew).

191-220 Penang: letters from Edward Boustead & Co. (London), James Dawes, Charles Curtis (Barnstaple), Walter Fox, Hecht, Levis & Kahn (London), Sir George King (San Remo), Malay Peninsula Agricultural Association, Charles Rothschild (London), Percy Taylor (London) and Charles Ussher.

221-314 Perak. The main correspondent is John Carruthers, the Director of Agriculture and Government Botanist in the Federated Malay States. There are also letters from Claude Bancroft (Kuala Lumpur), Basil Bernard, W. Leonard Braddon, Frederick Brooks, Evans, Sons, Norman Grieve (Tunbridge Wells), James Gamble (East Liss), Klanang Produce Co. Ltd. (London), C. Boden Kloss, William Laverock (Liverpool), Malay Coconut Estates Ltd. (London), H.C. Pratt (London), Herbert Robins (Taiping), Samuel Satow, A. Sharples and Sungei Krian Rubber Estate Ltd. (London).

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Volume 168 Malayan letters, 1901-14 (contd.)

Volume 169  
Australasian letters, 1914-28

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50-170  
New Guinea and New South Wales: letters from G. Bryce (Rabaul), G.L. Campbell (London), Howard Newport (Cairns), Nathaniel Rothschild (Oundle), Australian Forest League, G. Darnell-Smith (Sydney), L. Ellis (Sydney), William Greenwood (Mittagong), A.A. Lawson (Sydney), John Maiden (Sydney), Alice Balfour, T.G.B. Osborn (Sydney), F.A. Rodway (Nowra), Herbert Rumsey (Dundas, NSW), H.J. Solomon (Sydney), Taronga Zoological Park Trust (Sydney), Fred Turner (Sydney) and F.A. Weinthal (Sydney). There is also correspondence about the trees for Canberra campaign (1926-27).

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353-80  
Pacific Islands: letters from William Greenwood (Fiji, Sydney), Sir Everard Im Thurn (London), Sir David Prain (Kew), Arthur Ridesdale (London), S. Routledge (London), Charles Woodford (Partridge Green) and C. Harold Wright (Suva).

381-400  
Queensland: letters from W.B. Alexander (Westwood), C.E. Allen (Darwin), J.F. Bailey (Brisbane), A. Cayzer (Brisbane), W.D. Francis (Brisbane), J.M. Hunter (London), A.M. Mitford (London) and C.T. White (Brisbane).

401-12  
Tasmania: letters from R.M. Blomfield, L. Rodway (Hobart), Alan Walker (London), Frank Walker (Launceston) and G. Weidenhofer (Cradle Mountain).

413-85  
Western Australia: letters from W.B. Alexander (Perth), Ellen Babington (Perth), G.F. Berthaud, William Carne (Perth), C. Brudenell Carter (Bridgetown), T. Flintonoff (Perth), A. Haselgrove (Guildford), Arthur Hill (Kew), B. Hill (Jarnadup), Max Koch (Pemberton), Ruth Lane-Poole (London), Ernest Le Soeuf (Perth, London), John Pizze (Hester Siding), Sir David Prain (Kew), H. Steedman (Perth), W. James Stewart (London), Michael Terry (London), C.G. Thorp (Onslow) and Madeleine Trethowan (Perth).

Volume 170  
Australian letters, 1899-1914

1-71  
Victoria. The principal correspondent is Alfred Ewart, Professor of Botany and Plant Physiology at the University of Melbourne. Other correspondents include Rev. W.H. Bliss (Kew), Alfred Bowley (London), Charles Brittlebank (Melbourne), W.J. Clark
(Melbourne), J. Cronin (Melbourne), William Guilfoyle (Melbourne), D. McAlpine (Melbourne), H. Mackay (Melbourne), Sir David Prain (Kew), J.M. Reader (Warracknabeal), Bertha Rees (Melbourne), J.J. Rendle (Melbourne), Johannes Rafn, Reginald Talbot (London), T. White (London), Percy Wrigley (Kew) and Charles Yapp (London).

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Volume 170  Australian letters, 1899-1914 (contd.)

72-74  Victoria: letters from A.J. Ewart (Melbourne), J.G. Luchmann (Melbourne) and J.R. Tovey (Melbourne).

75-117  South Australia. The principal correspondent is John Black, journalist and author of The naturalised flora of South Australia (1909). Other correspondents include E.D. Benham (London), J. Comber, S.M. Faulkner, E.A. Hillier (St Albans), H.D. Hillier (St Albans), Maurice Holtze, Max Koch (Adelaide), R.S. Rogers (Adelaide), Edward E. Smith, B. Stalker (Alexandria), Otto Stapf (Kew), Sir William Thiselton-Dyer (Kew) and J.H. Whitney (London).


137-302  New South Wales. The principal correspondent is Joseph Maiden, director of the Botanic Gardens at Sydney. Other correspondents include Richard Baker (Sydney), F.A. Bennet (Sydney), Frederick Bower, James Britten (London), N.E. Brown (Kew), A. Burge (London), Edwin Cheel (Sydney), R.B. Comins (Sydney), Sir Timothy Coghlan (London), John Creed (Sydney), A.A. Gardner (Glasgow), William Hemsley (London), Sir Joseph Hooker (Sunningdale), T.T. Jones (London), Alfred Liversidge (London), M. Manning (Reigate), Sir David Prain (Kew), Finlay Sanderson (Chislehurst), Charles Smith (Sydney), Fred Turner (Sydney) and T. White (London).

303-78  Western Australia. The principal correspondent is Alexander Morrison, the Government Botanist of Western Australia. Other correspondents include Paul Adler, W.B. Alexander (Perth), Cecil Andrews (Perth), A. Lees Aspland (Albany), Barr & Sons (London), George Berthoud (Waroona), Maurice Browne (Perth), A.S. Bryson (London), Lilias Cowan (Albany), Arthur Dorrian Smith (Scilly), Lois Drummond (Perth), Wyndham Dunstan (Perth), W.V. Fitzgerald (Perth), Amy Fuller, Hodgkinson, Preston & King (London), Baron Anatole von Hugel (Cambridge), Max Koch (Carnamah, London), W.A. Michell (Roebourne), Spencer Moore (London), C. Mowbray (London), Harold Parsons (London), Sir David Prain (Kew), A.W. Ridge (Boulder), Alfred Rundle (London), Lily Royce (Jersey), Otto Stapf (Kew), P. Stoward (Perth), Norman Temperley (London), Leonard Webster (Edinburgh) and Elfride Zeyer (Richmond).

379-456  Queensland. The principal correspondent is F. Manson Bailey, the Colonial Botanist. Other correspondents include G.E.F. Allen (Rochester), J.F. Bailey (Brisbane), A. Evan Bernays, Reginald Clayton (London), Leslie Corrie (Brisbane), W.T. Deverell (London),
Bowes Forster (Surbiton), C.D. Gilles (Brisbane), Walter Hill (Brisbane), W. Hill James (London), H.M. Johnson (Weston super Mare), Langton, Fort & Co. (London), William Leslie (Glasgow), Sir William MacGregor (Brisbane), M. May (Thursday Island), Howard Newport (Cairns), Sir David Prain (Kew), Charlotte Rogers (Rockhampton), R. Simmons (Rockhampton), Charles Stubbs (London), Summerlin & Co. (Brisbane), Jean White (Dulacca) and Wigglesworth & Co. (London).

Volume 171  Queensland letters, 1865-1900
1-194 The principal correspondent is Frederick Manson Bailey, the Colonial Botanist. Other correspondents include Charles Adams (London), John T. Arundel (Thursday Island), Joseph Bancroft (Brisbane), Thomas Bancroft (Brisbane), Lewis Bernays (Brisbane), W. Gardner and Francis Gore (Betchworth).

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Volume 171  Queensland letters, 1865-1900  (contd.)
195-471 The principal correspondents are Lewis Bernays (Brisbane), Carl Hartmann (Toowoomba) and Walter Hill, the curator of the Brisbane Botanic Gardens. Other correspondents include Henry Blunder (Biarritz), Sir George Bowen (Brisbane), Christopher Broome (Bath), Frank Bryce, George Carins, W.H.J. Carter (London), Alexander Cowan (Brisbane), Ebenezer Cowley (Brisbane), Elizabeth Coxen (London), James Critchell (London), G. Creswell Crump (London), Charles Dicken (London), G. Edelfelt (Kew), J.S. Edgar (Rockhampton), Edward Fletcher (London), M.S. Gregory (London), Sir Samuel Griffith (London), Edward Grimley (Brisbane), B. Gulliver (Townsville), A.T. Hare (Richmond), Richard Harding (Brisbane), John Horne (Jersey), R. Illidge (Brisbane), Robert King (Teddington), Sir John Lawes, Wyndham Madden (Shrewsbury), Philip MacMahon (Brisbane), William Maplestone (Brisbane), John Mark (Brisbane), Sir Anthony Musgrave (Brisbane), Patrick O’Shanesy (Emerald), James Pink (Brisbane), Lawrence Porter (Liverpool), William Ramsay (Mount Morgan), George Russell, Kenneth Smith, William Soutter (Brisbane), William Spottiswoode (London), Fred Stevens (Lyme Regis), N. Enoch Sully (Brisbane), A. Thozet (Paris), Traill & Ross (Toowoomba), Edward Tylor (Wellington, UK), Edmund Venables (Lincoln), J.G. Vidjen (Brisbane), Vilmorin-Andrieux & Co. (Paris), H.A. Wickham (Townsville) and H.C.A. Young (London).

Volume 172  South Australian, Tasmanian and Western Australian letters, 1865-1900
1-163 South Australia. The principal correspondent is Richard Schombergk, the curator of the Adelaide Botanic Gardens. Other correspondents include J.C. Agardh (Lund), E.G. Blackmore, R.S. Buckland (Torrington), Roland Campbell (Millicent), A. Castle (Swansea), Thomas Clode (Venus Bay), Charles Cresswell (London), Samuel Deering (London), W.L. Dobson (Hobart), A. Englehart (Gawler), George Hawker (Adelaide), Maurice Holtze (Adelaide), Nicholas Holtze (Port Darwin), Max Koch (Mt Lyndhurst), Sir John Lefroy (Adelaide), J.S. O’Halloran (London), A. Smith (Langley), John Smith
(Kew), J. Swan (Adelaide), Ralph Tate (Adelaide), Sir William Thiselton-Dyer (Kew),
W. Wilson Tickle (London), F.G. Waterhouse (Eltham), Sir Samuel Way (Adelaide),
Thomas Worsnop (Adelaide) and R.T. Wylde (Adelaide).

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Volume 172 South Australian, Tasmanian and Western Australian letters, 1865-1900 (contd.)

164-257 Tasmania. The principal correspondent is Frederick Abbott, the superintendent of
the Botanical Gardens in Hobart. Other correspondents include Morton Allport
(Hobart), William Archer (Cheshunt), Sir Edward Braddon (London), W.L. Dobson
(Hobart), D. Morris (Kew), W.E. Gumbleton, Ronald C. Gunn (Launceston), H.H.
Hayter (Melbourne), Sir Joseph Hooker (Kew), Louisa Johnstone (Isle of Wight), Sir
John Lefroy (Hobart), A.J. Logan (Zeehan), D. McAlpine (Edinburgh), J.L. Miller
(London), Edwin Oldfield (Hobart), Thomas Russell (Etchingham), Frederick Weld (Hobart) and W.A. Weymouth (Hobart).

258-385 Western Australia: letters from George Berthoud (Drakes Brook), Mrs Edward
Brockman (Bunbury), Lady Broome (Perth), D.R. Bunbury (Bunbury), David Carnegie
(London), Daniel Chapman (Cossack), E. Clement (Carshalton), Collyer, Thirkell & Bell
(London), J.F. Cornish (London), W.H. Cusack (Roebourne), A. Frederick Durlacher
(London), Thomas Edwards (Beverley), B.T. Goadby (Albany), Edward Hardman
(Perth), R.C. Hare (London), W.B. Hemsley (Jersey), Ernest Hursthouse (Perth),
William Kent (Wallington), George Leake (Perth), Robert Lee (London), Kate Logue,
George Maxwell (King George’s Sound), Alexander Morrison (Perth), Sir George Ord
(Perth), Harold Parsons (Perth), C. Josephtine Prinsep (Australind), Ernst Pritzel
(Berlin), Finlay Sanderson (Chislehurst), George Shenston, John Skewes (Perth),
Edward Smith (Murchison River), J.R. Streeter (Rickmansworth), Alfred Thomson
(London), Frank Tratman (Guildford), Henry Wakeford (London), W. Webb (Albany),
Frederick Weld (Perth), Bernard Woodward (Perth) and Henry Woodward (London).

Volume 173 New South Wales and Victorian letters, 1865-1900

1-216 The principal correspondents are William Guilfoyle, the curator of the Royal Botanic
Gardens in Melbourne, and Charles Moore and Joseph Maiden, the directors of the
Botanic Gardens in Sydney. Other correspondents include William Archer
(Melbourne), Alicia Barnard (Norwich), Peter Barlett (Melbourne), Sir Redmond
Barry (Melbourne), John Bedford (Selby), George Bennett (Sydney), T.F. Bride
(Melbourne), Leonie Bongralee (Sydney), Henry Canalier (Epsom), E. Carlile (London),
W. Carron (Sydney), W.H. Carlatt (Sydney), Duncan Carson, J. William Carlson
(Melbourne), Thomas Cole (Melbourne), Richard Comins (Norfolk Island), Alfred
Corris (HMS Pearl), Daniel Curdie (Camperdown), Henry Deane (Sydney), C.S.
Dumaresq (Sydney), E.J. Dunn (Melbourne), Thomas Dupuy (Melbourne), Frank
Ertel (Sydney), William Farrer (Queanbeyan), Robert FitzGerald (Sydney), A.R.
Fremlin (Sydney), A.F. Gode (Melbourne), F.R. Godfrey (London), J. Graves
(Winchmore Hill), H. Groenwegen (Amsterdam), Brian Hooker (Harden, NSW), D.
Jones (Sydney), I.H. Kay (Melbourne), Rev. William G. Lawes (Somerset,
Queensland), Alfred Liversidge (Sydney), George Luchmann (Melbourne), D. McAlpine (Melbourne), Sir William Macarthur (Camden), S. MacDonnell (Sydney), P.H. MacGillivray (Sandhurst), John McLachlan (Sydney), Sir George McLeay (Sydney), G.A. Main (London), W.E. Martin (Melbourne), C.M.W. Merewether (London), Charles Moore (Sydney) and Sutton & Sons (London).

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Volume 173 New South Wales and Victorian letters, 1865-1900 (contd.)

217-350 The principal correspondent is Charles Moore, the director of the Botanic Gardens in Sydney. Other correspondents include Sir William Hooker (Kew), Sir Ferdinand von Mueller (Melbourne), Ambrose Neate (Melbourne), John Neild (Port Macquarie), A.J. North (Sydney), James Phelan (Melbourne), E.P. Ramsay (Sydney), F.M.F. Reader (Melbourne), James Roberts (Melbourne), William Robertson (Sydney), H.R. Rusden (Melbourne), Lord Arthur Russell (London), R. Sale, A. Shaw (Leichhardt, Victoria), John Shillinglaw (Melbourne), R. Silberrad & Son (London), S.W. Silver (Wantage), R. Murray Sims (London), Robert Brough Smyth (Melbourne), John Toon (Melbourne), Frederick Turner (Sydney), L. Watkin (Melbourne), George White (Sydney), Carl Wilhemi (Melbourne), Rev. F.R.M. Wilson (Melbourne) and M.B. Wise (Rugby).

Volume 174 New Zealand letters, 1854-1900

1-212 The principal correspondents are Frederick Cheeseman, the curator of the Auckland Museum, and the missionary, printer and botanist William Colenso. Other correspondent include Adams & Sons (Gloucester), T.P. Arnold (London), R.H. Bakewell (Dunedin), S. Berggren (Dunedin), S. Birch (London), D.J. Blaikley (London), F. Bowden (London), F. Buchanan (Bremen), Sir Walter Buller (Wellington), Wentworth Buller (Paris), George Burnett (Whangarei), John Cadman (Timaru), William Chick (London), A.H. Church, Leonard Cockayne (New Brighton), Georg Kükenthal (Coburg) and Humphry Ward (London).

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Volume 174  New Zealand letters, 1854-1900 (contd.)

551-687  The principal correspondent is Sir James Hector (Wellington). Other correspondents include Richard Gore (Wellington), T.W. Kirk (Wellington), A. Ludlam and E.C. Rye (Wellington).

Volume 175  New Zealand letters, 1854-1900

688-931  The principal correspondent is Thomas Kirk, who at various times was secretary of the Auckland Institute, a lecturer at Wellington College, governor of the New Zealand Institute, and Chief Conservator of Forests. Other correspondents include Frederick Cheeseman (Auckland), A.H. Church (Kew), F.M. Cowie (Wellington), Charles Hardy (Dover), G. Henderson (Bournemouth), Georgina Hetley (London), Isabel Hopkins (London), W.F. Howlett (Waipapa), F.W. Hutton (Christchurch), Henry Inglis (Kincaid), A.M. Johnson (Christchurch), Walter Kennaway (London), Robert Kingsley (Nelson), Kinross & Co. (Hawkes Bay), Richard Kippist (London) and Charles Knight (Auckland).

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Volume 175  New Zealand letters, 1854-1900 (contd.)

932-1215  The principal correspondents are Charles Knight, a Wellington public servant and naturalist, Donald Petrie, inspector of schools in Otago and president of the Auckland Institute and the New Zealand Institute, and William Travers, a lawyer and naturalist. Other correspondents include Thomas Kirk (Wellington), Helena Leech (Auckland), H.F. Logan (Wellington), A. Ludlam (Hutt), Dugald Macfarlane (Christchurch), A. McGruer (Dunedin), William Mair (Auckland), Walter Mantell (Wellington), W.W. Maskell (Wellington), George Matthews (Dunedin), James Mitchinson (New Plymouth), Thomas Maude (Woodbridge), A. Morrow (Auckland), Christopher Mudd (Christchurch), G. Oliver (New Plymouth), William Percival (Dunedin), W.W. Perry (Wellington), Potter & Co. (Auckland), Thomas Potts (Ohinetahi), D. Rough (Nelson), Thomas Satchell, William Seed (Wellington), Andrew Sinclair (Auckland, Nelson), Fred Spencer (London), Edgar Spooner (Auckland), W.W. Smith (Ashburton), J.W. Stack (Kaiapoi), F. Stephani (Leipzig), Agnes Stock (Twickenham), A. Stock (Wellington), M. Strand (Surbiton), Stratford (Auckland), Rev. Richard Taylor (Wanganui, Winchester), F.R. Teschemaker (London), George Thomson (Woking), George Thomson (Dunedin), W. Tipler (Westland), Henry Travers (Wellington), F.E. Trollope (Richmond), H.S. Wales (Hokitika), A. Watkins (London), Thomas Waugh (London), Emma Weston (Muswell Hill), Bishop W.L. Williams (Napier, Gisborne) and John Winter (Brighton).
New Zealand. The principal correspondents are Frederick Cheeseman, the curator of the Auckland Museum, and Captain Arthur Dorrien-Smith, who collected plants in Australia, New Zealand and the Chatham Islands in 1910. Other correspondents include T.W. Adams (Canterbury, NZ), E.A. Arber (Cambridge), F. Astley-Corbett (London), B.C. Aston (London, Wellington), J.G. Bartel (Nelson), Leonard Cockayne (Wellington), George Bullock (Dunedin), Charles Burgess (Market Harborough), A.C. Bartholomew (Reading), Walter Barratt (London), Herbert Carter (Manchester), A. Zahlbruchner (Vienna), Charles Chilton (Christchurch), L.M. Coombe (Liverpool), F.A.D. Cox (Chatham Islands), Charles Dacre (Auckland), M.G. Fennell (Wakefield), Thomas Kirk (Wellington), Linda Fenwick (London), H.C. Field (Wellington), Edward Fletcher, L.S. Gibbs (London), Cecil Harington (London), E.F. Harvey (London), Sir James Hector (Wellington) and W.B. Hemsley (London).

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Volume 177 New Zealand, New Guinea and the Pacific islands, 1892-1914 (contd.)


Fiji. Correspondents include Brown & Joske (Suva), Sir Everard Im Thurn (Suva), A.B. Joske (Reading), H.N. Joynt (London), C.P. Lucas (London), A. Rufus Powell (Suva) and Powell Bros. (Suva).

Sandwich Islands. Correspondents include Frederick Boue, N. Cobb (Honolulu), Henry Cooper (Honolulu), Henry Davis (Honolulu), Sir Francis Fox (London), David Haughs (Honolulu), L. Lewton-Brain (Honolulu), Sir David Prain (Kew), Joseph Rock (Honolulu), G.H. Tuttle (Honolulu), W. Vredenburg (Lalami) and G.P. Wilder (Honolulu).

Pacific Islands. Correspondents include R.M. Rudmore Brown (Edinburgh), W.S. Bruce (Edinburgh), Frederick Christian (London), H.L.W. Costenoble (Guam), Louise Dacres (Guildford), Edward Harland (Sydney), Rev. J.W. Hills (London, Watford), James Irvine (Liverpool), Isabel Jordan (Derby), H.S. Kingsford (London), Lever’s Pacific Plantations Ltd. (Port Sunlight), T. Loesener (Berlin), William Mackay (London), Pacific Phosphate Co. Ltd. (London), Howard Payn (London), Sir David Prain (Kew), Ernest Rason (Waldron), W.H.R. Rivers (Cambridge), Sander & Sons (St
Albans), J.L. Tillotson (Port Sunlight), Robert Williamson (Manchester) and Charles Woodford (Tulagi, Solomon Islands).

302-44 New Guinea. Correspondents include Reginald Bartlett (Orokolo), C.H. Binstead, G.C.M. Birdwood, T.L. Bunbury (London), George Cousins (London), Hubert Murray (London), W.J. Down (Samarai), A. Guilianetti (Cooktown), Alfred Haddon (Dublin), George Hempson (Gatton Park), Rev. J.W. Hills (London), T.A. Joyce (London), George Le Hunte (Port Moresby), William MacGregor (Port Moresby), W.R. Ogilvie-Grant (London), A.E. Pratt (London), Charles Rothschild (London), Sander & Sons (St Albans), C.G. Seligmann (London), A.F.R. Wollaston (London) and R. Williamson (London).

Volume 178 Pacific Islands letters, 1865-1900

1-174 Fiji. The principal correspondent is Sir John Thurston, the Governor of Fiji and High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, and Daniel Yeoward, the curator of the Fiji Botanical Gardens. Other correspondents include W.A. Bailward (London), G. Birdwood, Eliza Brightwen (Stanmore), Fielding Clarke (London), Bolton Corney (Suva), Lord Mount Edgecumbe, Sir Arthur Gordon (Nasova), A.L. Holmes (Bua), J.M. Holmes (Sydney), W.H. Moseley (Bournemouth), William Parr (Levuka, London), S.P. Storck (Rewa) and J.H. Wiseman (Suva).


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Volume 178 Pacific Islands letters, 1865-1900 (contd.)


342-88 Sandwich Islands. The correspondents include A.G. Burchardt Ashton (Monmouth), Henry Guppy (Falmouth, Kau), Alice Hamilton (Tunbridge Wells), A.A. Heller

Volume 218 Supplementary foreign letters, 1865-1900

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22-30 William Archer (Deloraine, Tasmania), 1854-60
31 F. Archer (Liverpool), 1863
32-39 William Archer (Hobart, Deloraine, Melbourne), 1861-64
48-49 George Bennett (Sydney), 1861-65
63 S. Binnendijk (Buitenzorg, Java), 1865
84 M.C. Friend (George Town, Van Diemen’s Land), 1849
91-139 Ronald C. Gunn (Launceston), 1843-60
140-43 Julius von Haast (Christchurch), 1861-81
160-63 Walter Hill (Brisbane), 1860-63
172 Gerard Krefft (Sydney), 1863
175-76 John Lefroy (Circular Head, Tasmania), 1881
180-81 Hugh Low (Labuan), 1859
182 B.T. Lowne (Sydney), 1861 (very poor condition)
206-7 Frederick McCoy (Melbourne), 1861
208 George Macleay (Sydney), 1861
221-22 William S. Macleay (Sydney), 1860-61
230-33 Charles Moore (Sydney), 1861-65
236-37 Charles Nicholson (Sydney), 1861
238-39 Augustus Oldfield (Hobart), 1861
279-81 D. Rough (Nelson), 1861-65
300-1 Capt. Peter Scratchley (Melbourne), 1861
306 Rev. Richard Taylor (Wanganui), 1862
307 J.E. Teijmann (Buitenzorg), 1861 (?)
313-16 John Veitch (Manila), 1860-61
MISCELLANEOUS MANUSCRIPTS

Most of the miscellaneous manuscripts comprise collections of personal papers which have been presented to the library at the Royal Botanic Gardens. They include personal papers of the directors Sir Joseph Hooker, Sir William Thiselton-Dyer and Sir Arthur Hill. There are also some series of official records of the Botanic Gardens, such as the fern lists, plant lists and letterbooks.

JAMES BACKHOUSE

James Backhouse (1794-1869), who was born into a Quaker family in Darlington, England, trained in a nursery in Norwich and in 1822 bought a nursery in York. In 1832, accompanied by George Walker, he arrived in Van Diemen’s Land and for the next six years they travelled widely in the Australian colonies, studying the convict system and the treatment of Aborigines, organising meetings of Quakers, and distributing tracts and textbooks. Throughout his travels, Backhouse collected plants which he sent to Kew Gardens.

The botany of New South Wales, vol. 1 (manuscript, 252pp)
The botany of New South Wales, vol. 2 (manuscript, pp 1-93)

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The botany of New South Wales, vol. 2 (manuscript, pp 93-215)

JOHN BAKER

John Gilbert Baker (1834-1920) worked in the library and herbarium of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew from 1866 to 1899. He was the keeper of the herbarium from 1890 to 1899. He produced handbooks on many plant groups and was also the author of The Flora of Mauritius and the Seychelles (1877) and Handbook of the Indiae (1892).

Letters to J.G. Baker

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64 Sir Ferdinand von Mueller [Melbourne] to Baker, 8 Dec. 1883: thanks for Baker’s elaboration of the Selaginellae; additional material will be discovered in New Guinea.

John B. Thurston (Fiji) to Baker, 26 Oct. 1886: thanks for *Journal of Botany* with description of ferns discovered by Thurston.

**SIR JOSEPH BANKS**

Sir Joseph Banks (1743-1820), Baronet (created 1781) acquired a passion for botany as a student at Eton and Oxford University. He took part in an expedition to Newfoundland in 1766-67 and on his return to England he joined Lieutenant James Cook, the commander of HMS *Endeavour*, on his first great exploring voyage to the Pacific. Banks was president of the Royal Society from 1778 until his death. A close friend of King George III, he took an abiding interest in the Royal Botanic Gardens.

*Letters to Sir Joseph Banks, 1766-1820*

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21 Thomas Pennant (Oxford) to Banks, 10 April 1768.
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32 Thomas Falconer (Chester) to Banks, 16 June 1773.
33 Thomas Falconer (Chester) to Banks, 8 Dec. 1773.
48-49 Richard Weston (London) to Banks, 1 March 1775.
51 Daniel Solander (London) to Banks, 22 Aug. 1775. (copy)
57 John Miller to Banks, 18 May 1876.
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99 John Hope (Edinburgh) to Banks, 25 Nov. 1780.
113 William Ellis (London) to Banks, 25 Dec. [1782].
122 Joseph Billings (London) to Banks, 8 Jan. 1783.
140 Banks to ?, 15 May 1783. (draft)
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246 R.C. (?) (London) to Banks, 29 Sept. 1786.
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285 Sir George Yonge (London) to Banks, 16 Sept. 1787.
307 Sir George Yonge (Escot) to Banks, 16 July 1788.
312 Sir George Yonge (Escot) to Banks, 4 Aug. 1788.
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357 Archibald Menzies (Deptford) to Banks, 21 July 1789.
362 Archibald Menzies (London) to Banks, 8 Oct. 1789.
363 R. Molesworth (London) to Banks, 26 Oct. 1789.

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94 Charles Ker (Calicut) to Banks, 28 March 1793.
137 Thomas Bishop (Hayes) to Banks, 26 March 1796.
215 James Miles (Jamaica) to Banks, 12 April 1799.
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252 William Kent. Note on the emu.
281 Francis Barrallier (London) to Banks, 6 Nov. 1802.
283 William Hunter (Price of Wales Island) to Banks, 28 Dec. 1802.
293 Ferdinand Bauer (Norfolk Island) to Banks, 27 Aug. 1804.
296 S. Castang (London) to Banks, 11 Oct. 1804.
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36 Davis (London) to Banks, 6 Feb.
Journal of Sir Joseph Banks, 1768-71

Transcript of the journal of Joseph Banks on the voyage of HMS Endeavour, commanded by Lieut. James Cook, 1768-71. The journal was transcribed in about 1833 by the two daughters of the botanist and banker Dawson Turner (1775-1858). The transcript was amended by Turner’s grandson, Sir Joseph Hooker, who published the journal in 1896. The original journal is held in the Mitchell Library, Sydney.

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Journal of Sir Joseph Banks, 1768-71 (contd.)

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GEORGE BENTHAM

George Bentham (1800-1884), a nephew of Jeremy Bentham, became enthusiastic about botany while living in France as a boy. Trained as a lawyer, he did not practise and instead devoted his life to botanical projects. He was president of the Linnean Society from 1862 to 1874. He was the author of Handbook of the British Flora (1858), Genera plantarum (1862-83) and Flora Australiensis (1863-78).

Collectors’ accounts, 1835-83

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HENRY BURKILL

Isaac Henry Burkill (1870-1965), a graduate of Cambridge University, joined the staff of the Royal Botanic Gardens in 1896 and became principal assistant in the herbarium in 1899. In 1901 he departed for India where he worked in the Indian Museum in Calcutta. He was director of the Botanic Gardens in Singapore from 1912 to 1925. He was the author of the *Dictionary of economic products of the Malay Peninsula* (1935).

Letters to Henry Burkill

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226-27 Henry Ridley (Kew) to Burkill, 27 April 1913.

433-35 R.J. Wilkinson (Chios) to Burkill, 3 Jan. 1937.

Diary of Henry Burkill, 1913-24

Typed transcript of the botanical parts of a diary kept by Burkill when he was working in the Straits Settlements, June 1913 - Dec. 1924 (308pp). There is an index at the end of the volume.

Plants collected in the Malay Peninsula, 1912-25

Typescript summary list of 17,650 plants collected by Burkill, his colleagues and other collectors in the Federated Malay States and the Straits Settlements. It is arranged chronologically, by the date of the collecting expedition, and there is a manuscript index at the end of the volume.

HMS CHALLENGER

The *Challenger* Expedition of 1872-76 was organised by the Royal Society with the aim of studying the world’s oceans. HMS *Challenger* circumnavigated the globe, sailing about 68,000 miles and making 492 deep sea soundings and 133 bottom dredges. The scientists aboard the ship included C. Wyville Thomson, John Murray, John Buchanan and Henry Moseley.

Botanical letters and documents

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Letters of C. Wyville Thompson of HMS Challenger published in Good Words, c. 1874-75.

C. Wyville Thompson (Fiji, Hong Kong) to Sir Joseph Hooker, Aug. 1874 – Nov. 1875.

Contents of cases of botanical specimens.

FREDERICK CHRISTIAN

Frederick William Christian (1867-1934) was a traveller and the author of a number of books on the Pacific Islands, including The Caroline Islands (1899) and Eastern Pacific lands: Tahiti and the Marquesas Islands (1910).

Frederick Christian. Plant names of the North and South Marquesas Islands. (6pp)

CHARLES BARON CLARKE

Charles Baron Clarke (1832-1906), a graduate of Cambridge University, became interested in plant collecting while climbing in the Swiss Alps. In 1865 he entered the Bengal Civil Service and spent his spare time collecting plants and writing detailed field notes. He acted as superintendent of the Calcutta Botanical Gardens in 1869-71. He presented his herbarium to the Royal Botanic Gardens in 1877. Clarke retired from the Indian Civil Service in 1887 and for the rest of his life worked as a volunteer in the Kew Herbarium. He was president of the Linnean Society in 1894-96.

Charles Clarke. Acanthaceae of South-Eastern Asia. (notebooks)

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Acanthaceae of South-Eastern Asia. (contd.)

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WILLIAM COLENSO

William Colenso (1811-1899) arrived in New Zealand in 1834 and worked as a printer for the mission established by the Church Missionary Society at the Bay of Islands. By 1840 he had produced over 74,000 copies of books and pamphlets. He was ordained as a deacon in 1844 but was dismissed in 1852. Colenso was inspired by meetings with the botanists Allan Cunningham and Joseph Hooker and during the 1840s he carried out several exploring expeditions, visiting Maori communities and collecting plants. He maintained his botanical interests in his later years and published a number of scientific papers.
Botany of New Zealand: letters and lists sent to Sir William Hooker, 1841-52. (160pp)

The four letters were written from Paihia, Bay of Islands, and Waitangi. The accompanying lists record 6190 botanical specimens collected by Colenso.

HAROLD COMBER

Harold Frederick Comber (1897-1969), the son of a gardener, studied horticulture at the Royal Botanic Gardens in Edinburgh and worked as a gardener in a number of private gardens in England and Scotland. Sponsored by aristocratic gardening enthusiasts, he collected plants in South America in 1925-27 and in 1929-30 he visited Tasmania, where he collected plants and seeds. He migrated to America in 1953 where he worked for the Oregon Bulb Farm.

Numerical list of Kew identifications of Tasmanian plants collected by H.F. Comber in 1929-30. (typescript, 15pp)

ALLAN CUNNINGHAM

Allan Cunningham (1791-1839) joined the staff of the Royal Botanic Gardens in 1808 and was appointed a botanical collector in 1814. After spending two years in Brazil, he sailed to New South Wales where he remained until 1831. He undertook numerous exploring and collecting expeditions in inland Australia and also accompanied Captain Phillip P. King on his four voyages of exploration around the coasts of Australia in 1817-22. After working at Kew in 1832-36, he returned to Sydney as the colonial botanist.

Congestiones plantarum minus cognitarum Australasiae, 1834-35. (117pp)

The notebook, which contains drawings as well as notes, has sub-headings referring to the botany of the shores of Shark’s Bay, Western Australia, plants of Western Australia collected on the voyage of Freycinet in 1817-20, and a few plants collected by Robert Brown on the voyage of Matthew Flinders in 1801-3.

Florae insularum Novae Zealandiae. (145pp)

A summary listing of 629 New Zealand plants, including the date of discovery, the place (mostly Bay of Islands) and the collector, including Joseph Banks and Daniel Solander, Dumont D’Urville, William Colenso and Richard and Allan Cunningham. At the end is a list of Maori names of trees and shrubs and an index.

Florae insularum Novae Zealandiae. (209pp)

A more detailed listing of 629 New Zealand plants, including a few drawings, preceded by a short account of botanical collecting on English and French voyages of discovery and by Allan and Richard Cunningham. There is an index at the end of the volume.

Hortus Trianonus, 1826.

An alphabetical listing of plants.
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CHARLES DARWIN

Charles Robert Darwin (1809-1882) was the naturalist on the surveying voyage of HMS Beagle in 1831-37. He was the author of *The origin of species* (1859) and *The descent of man* (1871).

Letters of Charles Darwin to Professor Henslow, 1831-37

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36 Charles Darwin (Sydney) to John Henslow (Cambridge), Jan. 1836: impending return to England; Australia ‘really a wonderful place’; journey to Bathurst; extraordinary increase in wealth of the colony; his work at Galapagos Islands; no opportunity for natural history work at Tahiti or New Zealand; achievements of missionaries in New Zealand and Australia.

JOHN DUTHIE

John Firminger Duthie (1845-1922) was superintendent of the Saharanpur Botanical Gardens in northern India from 1875 to 1903.

Letters to John Duthie

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37-43 T.W. Naylor Beckett (Christchurch) to Duthie, March 1898 - Jan. 1905.

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110 Charles Moore (Sydney) to Duthie, 11 May 1877.
156 B. Scortechini (Penang) to Duthie, 4 Aug. 1886 (?).

A.D.E. ELMER

Adolph Daniel Elmer (1870-1942) was a graduate of Washington Agricultural College and Stanford University. He initially collected plants in the State of Washington and California. From 1904 to 1927 he worked in the Philippines, where he was employed by the United States Philippines Commission. He also collected plants in Borneo and New Guinea.

Philippine field notes, 1907-17. (typescript, 1220pp)

The field notes, numbered 7037 to 18477A, were attached to botanical specimens and were transcribed by E.D. Merrill at Berkeley, California, in 1925. Arranged chronologically, they give the
date and location of each specimen. The early descriptions are relatively brief, but from about 1908 onwards they are extremely detailed.

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HENRY FORBES

Henry Ogg Forbes (1851-1932) studied medicine at Aberdeen and Edinburgh universities. In 1875 he went to Portugal as a scientific collector and from 1878 to 1884 he was collecting in the East Indies. He explored in New Guinea between 1885 and 1888 and was the director of the Canterbury Museum in Christchurch in 1890-93. He was the author of *A naturalist's wanderings in the eastern Archipelago* (1885).

Papers, 1881-85, concerning a scientific expedition by Henry Forbes to Timor Laut (Tanimbar Islands) in 1882.

In 1881 Forbes proposed an expedition to Timor Laut, a group of islands in the Banda Sea between the Aru Islands and Timor. After some delays, he visited the islands in 1882. The papers document the interest of various British scientific expeditions in the expedition, the financial grant made to Forbes by the British Association for the Advancement of Science, and disputes about the ownership and distribution of the natural history and ethnological collections assembled by Forbes. The papers include correspondence, memoranda, minutes and notes of meetings, financial papers, reports, newspaper cuttings, lists of plants and published papers by Forbes and others about the expedition. In particular, there are reports of a committee of the British Association set up to liaise with Forbes. Its members were P.L. Sclater, Howard Saunders and W.T. Thiselton-Dyer.

The correspondents include Henry Forbes, Anna Forbes, Alex Comyns (Forbes’s agent in London), Sir Joseph Hooker, W.T. Thiselton-Dyer (Royal Botanic Gardens), P.L. Sclater (Zoological Society of London), Benjamin Jackson (Linnean Society), Charles Read (British Museum), Sir Augustus Franks (British Museum), William Flower (Royal College of Surgeons), Frederick Rudler (Anthropological Institute) and H.C. Stewardson (British Association). The letters of Forbes in 1882-83 were written from Batavia, Amboina, the Aru Islands and Fatunaba (East Timor).

WILLIAM FORSYTH

William Forsyth (1737-1804) was the chief gardener at the Chelsea Physic Garden and from 1784 until his death the superintendent of the royal gardens at Kensington and St James’s Palace.

Correspondence of William Forsyth

Volume 2

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40-43 Unsigned document written at Norfolk Island in 1790 referring to the expedition sent to Norfolk Island by Governor Arthur Phillip, the wreck of HMS *Sirius*, the return
of Lieut. Philip King as lieutenant-governor, the shortage of provisions, rationing, and the abundance of birds on the island.

HENRY GUPPY

Henry Brougham Guppy (1854-1926) graduated in medicine from Edinburgh University and was a surgeon in the Royal Navy from 1876 to 1885. He made his first visit to the Solomon Islands while serving on HMS Lark on the Australian Station in 1882-85. He returned to the Pacific and South East Asia in 1896-99 and carried out extensive botanical and geological research. He was the author of two books on the Solomon Islands (1887) and also Observations of a naturalist in the Pacific between 1896 and 1899 (1903-6).

Notes on Solomon Islands plants, February 1885. (55pp)

The notebook contains brief descriptions of trees, ferns, leaves, fruit and other botanical specimens collected by Guppy.

CLARA HEMSLEY

Clara Edith Hemsley was a sub-assistant at the herbarium at the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew. She may have been the daughter of William Hemsley, the Keeper of the Herbarium.

Catalogue of the plants of New Guinea, 1898.

An alphabetical listing of plants with abbreviated bibliographical references.

WILLIAM HEMSLEY

William Botting Hemsley (1843-1924) joined the staff of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew in 1860. He was the assistant for India in the Herbarium and Keeper of the Herbarium and Library from 1899 to 1908. He was the author of The botany of Juan Fernandez, South Eastern Moluccas and Admiralty Islands (1885).

Letters to W.B. Hemsley

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199-205 Joseph Maiden (Sydney) to Hemsley, May 1908 – March 1916.

Volume 2

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JOHN HENSLOW

Rev. John Stevens Henslow (1796-1861), a graduate of Cambridge University, became Professor of Mineralogy at Cambridge University in 1822. In 1826 he was appointed Professor of Botany and soon afterwards resigned the professorship of mineralogy. He became the rector of Hitcham in Suffolk in 1837, but retained the chair of botany until his death. He was the author of *Principles of descriptive and physiological botany* (1835).

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112  Allan Cunningham (Sydney) to Henslow, 13 April 1838: introduces Edwin Suttor; impending departure for New Zealand.

113-14 Allan Cunningham (Sydney) to Henslow, 6 March 1839: offers to send a selection of dried plants collected in New Zealand; proposed visit of George Suttor to Cambridge.

SIR ARTHUR HILL

Sir Arthur William Hill (1875-1941) studied botany at Cambridge University and later undertook a botanical expedition in Peru and Bolivia. In 1907 he became assistant director at the Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew, where he worked for the rest of his life. He succeeded Sir David Prain as director in 1922.

**Journeys to various countries, 1902-37**

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Australia and Java, November 1927 –April 1928

Two detailed diaries describing Hill’s travels in Australia and the Netherlands East Indies, his meetings with botanists and other scientists, visits to botanical gardens, and plants that observed on his travels.

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SIR JOSEPH HOOKER

Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker (1817-1911), the son of Sir William Hooker, studied medicine at Glasgow University. In 1839 he was appointed assistant surgeon on HMS *Erebus* on the Antarctic exploring expedition led by James Clark Ross. During the expedition he spent several months at Hobart, Sydney and the Bay of Islands. After his return to England in 1843 he worked on *The Botany of the Antarctic Voyage* (6 vols.). In 1847-51 he went on a collecting trip in the central and eastern Himalayas and eastern Bengal, which again resulted in several publications. In 1855 Hooker was
appointed assistant director of the Royal Botanic Gardens and in 1865 he succeeded his father as
director. He remained in the position until 1885, continuing the scientific and imperial roles of the
Gardens. He was president of the Royal Society in 1873-78. In his long retirement, he continued to
work on The flora of British India (7 vols.) and he edited the Endeavour journal of Joseph Banks
(1896).

Antarctic botany, notes and drawings, 1839-43

A series of notebooks containing rough notes and drawings, as well as more detailed observations,
on the botany of the Antarctic, the Falkland Islands and other islands.

Antarctic expedition correspondence, 1839-45.

Select items:

1  ‘Extracts from the letters of a botanist on HMS Erebus’, n.d. (12pp)
24-54 Letters from Hooker to his father Sir William Hooker and other members of his
family, and also Robert Brown, written from Hobart and the Bay of Islands, Aug.
1840-Nov. 1841.
110 Sir John Franklin (Hobart) to Sir William Hooker, 6 Aug. 1841: meeting with Joseph
Hooker; Capt. J.C. Ross; magnetic observations at Hobart Observatory; Ronald Gunn;
Hooker’s appointment as director of Kew Gardens. (copy)
111 Captain Ross and the Antarctic Expedition. (4pp)

Antarctic journal of Joseph Hooker, September 1839 – March 1843.

The journal begins with Hooker’s appointment as assistant surgeon and the voyage of HMS Erebus
and Terror from London to Kerguelen Island, Hobart and Sydney. It contains lengthy descriptions of
the botany of both settlements, as well as the Bay of Islands in New Zealand, which Hooker first
visited in August 1840. The expedition left Hobart in November 1840 and the entries are relatively
brief until April 1841, after it had reached the Antarctic. The most detailed sections in the later part
of the journal relate to Hooker’s time at Sydney and the Bay of Islands (Sept.-Nov. 1841) and the visit
of HMS Erebus to the Falkland Islands, the Hermite Islands and the South Shetland Islands in 1842.

Typescript copy of the Antarctic journal, May 1839 – March 1843. (369pp)

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Sir Joseph Hooker (contd.)

Botany of the Auckland and Campbell Islands, HMS Erebus, 1842.

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JANET HUTTON

Janet Hutton (1781-1862) was the wife of Thomas Hutton (1772-1856), a merchant, whom she married in Calcutta in 1802. They lived in Penang in 1802-8, where Thomas Hutton was employed by the local government as a Malay translator. After living in England, they returned to Calcutta in 1817 where they remained until 1823.

Alphabetical listing and descriptive notes by Janet Hutton of Indian, Burmese and Malayan plants, with reference to some of her paintings held in the Royal Botanic Gardens. (169pp)
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William Kerr (d. 1814) was a Scottish gardener who worked at the Royal Botanic Gardens. In 1803 he was sent by Sir Joseph Banks to China, where he was the first professional plant collector from a European country. He also collected plants in the Philippines and Java. He moved to Ceylon in 1812.

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William Kerr (Canton) to Sir Joseph Banks, 2 March 1809: despatch of plants for Royal Botanic Gardens and also Manila catalogue of plants.

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AYLMER BOURKE LAMBERT

Aylmer Bourke Lambert (1762-1842), who was educated at Oxford, was a fellow of the Royal Society and vice-president of the Linnean Society from 1796 until his death. He acquired a number of important herbaria, including those of Johann Forster and Archibald Menzies. He assembled a large number of plants and botanical drawings from New South Wales.

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L.V. LESTER-GARLAND

Lester Vallis Lester-Garland (1860-1944) was a fellow and lecturer at St John’s College, Oxford, from 1886 to 1896 and president of Victoria College, Jersey, from 1896 to 1911.

Notebooks

Notebook containing inter alia a list of plants confined to Australia, New Zealand and islands, a list of endemic genera of New Caledonia, a list of the numbers of native species in L. Rodway’s *The Tasmania flora*, a list of species regarded as indigenous in Tasmania which are also found in the North Temperate Zone (Europe), a list of native species of phanerogams in New Zealand, and a list of species regarded as indigenous in New Zealand which are also found in the North Temperate Zone.

Notebook containing a list of plants collected by R.M. Lester-Garland at Albany, Western Australia, in October - November 1921, a list of plants sent home by G.M. Lester-Garland or brought back by R.M. Lester-Garland from New Zealand in 1922, a list of plants sent home by R.M. Lester-Garland at Christmas 1922 from or near Nietta, North Tasmania, a second list of plants from the Nietta district, Tasmania, sent by R.M. Lester-Garland, May 1923, a third list of native plants mostly from Cradle Mountain sent by R.M. Lester-Garland, April 1924, a list of plants collected by R.M. Lester-Garland from New Zealand collected in winter, August 1924, a list of plants brought home by R.M. Lester-Garland from the Windsor district, near the foot of the Blue Mountains, New South Wales, Oct. 1924, a fourth list of Tasmanian plants from Nietta and Point Sorell, 1926-27 and a list of a few more plants from Nietta received January 1928.

Notebook containing records of Antarctic plants. (113pp)
JOHN LINDLEY

John Lindley (1799-1865) was an assistant in the herbarium of Sir Joseph Banks and from 1822 to 1829 he was the assistant secretary of the Royal Horticultural Society. He was the professor of botany at University College, London, from 1829 to 1860 and a lecturer at the Royal Institution. He was the author of *The genera and species of orchidaceous plants* (1830-40) and many other works.

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JOHN MACGILLIVRAY

John MacGillivray (1821-1867) studied medicine at the University of Edinburgh. From 1842 to 1861 he was a member of Royal Navy surveying expeditions in Australian and Pacific waters. He was the assistant naturalist on HMS *Fly* (1842-46), commanded by Sir Francis Blackwood, the naturalist on HMS *Rattlesnake* (1846-50), commanded by Owen Stanley, and the naturalist on HMS *Herald* (1852-61), commanded by Henry Denham. He was the author of *Narrative of a voyage of HMS Rattlesnake* (1852).

Catalogue of botanical plants collected on the voyage of HMS *Rattlesnake*, 1847-49.

The catalogue is arranged by date and the islands and bays along the eastern coast of Australia from Moreton Island to Cape York and in the Louisiade Archipelago.

ALBERT MAINGAY

Albert Carroll Maingay (1832-69) studied medicine at Edinburgh University and joined the British Indian Medical Service in 1859. He collected plants in Burma, Malacca and Penang. He was in charge of the prison in Malacca from 1862 to 1867. He was killed in a riot in Rangoon Central Prison and his botanical collections were later acquired by the Royal Botanical Gardens.

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Notebook on the Malay names of plants.

Arranged alphabetically, the entries give the botanical name, the Malay name, weight, colour, grain, hardness, split or otherwise in drying, specific gravity, price and uses. At the end of the notebook is a newspaper cutting with a report by Maingay on timber and wood conservancy in Malaya, 20 August 1865.

FRANZ MEYEN

Franz Julius Ferdinand Meyen (1804-1840) studied medicine at the University of Berlin. A protégé of Alexander von Humboldt, he took part in an exploring expedition in South America in 1830-32, also visiting Hawaii, Polynesia and China. He was appointed associate professor of botany at the University of Berlin in 1834. He was the author of *Phytomie* (1830).

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FRIEDRICH MIQUEL

Friedrich Anton Wilhelm Miquel (1811-1871) studied medicine at the University of Groningen and became a member of the Royal Institute in 1846. He was Professor of Botany at the University of Amsterdam from 1846 to 1859 and at Utrecht University from 1859 to 1871. He directed the Rijksherbarium at Leiden from 1862. He had a particular interest in the flora of the Netherlands East Indies.

On the physical geography and vegetation of Sumatra, being the introduction to the Prodromus floriæ Sumatrace or first supplement to the *Flora Indicae Batavie* of Miquel, 1860, translated by George Bentham. (92pp)

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A.A. Black (Bangalore) to Daniel Oliver, Nov. 1863 - June 1865.
Henry Burkill (Singapore, Leatherhead) to various correspondents, 1916-65.
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George Haviland (Sarawak, Singapore) to various correspondents, Oct. 1894 -Feb. 1895.
Justus Jorgensen (Hobart) to Sir John Franklin, 26 Oct. 1839.
Thomas Kirk (Wellington) to J.G. Baker, 19 April 1892.
A. Moore (Campbelltown, NSW) to R. Clark, 3 Dec. 1881.
Sir Ferdinand von Mueller (Melbourne) to various correspondents, 1881-96.
Robert Pulleine (Adelaide) to Brown, 17 May 1926.
A. Sharples (Kuala Lumpur) to Sir David Prain, 1 May 1913.
T.N.H. Smith-Pearse (Hobart) to Sir Arthur Hill, 17 Feb. 1939.
Henry Travers (Wellington) to Sir Joseph Hooker, 26 Oct. 1911.

**WILLIAM MITTEN**

William Mitten (1819-1906) was a pharmaceutical chemist with a strong interest in botany. Encouraged by Sir William Hooker, he built up a collection of about 50,000 specimens of bryophytes (such as mosses and lichens) at his home at Hurststierpoint, Sussex. After his death, the collection was purchased by the New York Botanical Gardens.

**Letters to William Mitten, 1848-1905**

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Notebook entitled ‘Australia: Dr F. von Mueller’, c. 1881-82.

List entitled ‘Museo and hepatica returned to Melbourne’.

**SIR FERDINAND VON MUELLER**

Sir Ferdinand Jacob Heinrich von Mueller (1825-1896) attended the University of Kiel, where he wrote a thesis on the flora of southern Schleswig. He migrated to South Australia in 1847. He was appointed the Victorian Government Botanist in 1853 and in the following years he carried out a number of exploring expeditions in Victoria and New South Wales. He was the botanist on the 1855-56 North Australian Exploring Expedition led by A.C. Gregory. In 1857 he was appointed director of the Melbourne Botanical Gardens, a post that he held until 1873. A prolific correspondent, von Mueller was the author of over 800 scientific papers.

Correspondence of Ferdinand von Mueller with the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and George Bentham, 1858-91. (3 vols.)

Volume 1, 1858-70 (folios 1-127)

Letters from von Mueller, the Director of the Melbourne Botanical Gardens, to George Bentham and Joseph Hooker, the Assistant Director and later Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. Von Mueller was Bentham’s principal collaborator on *Flora Australiensis* (1863-78). The letters on this reel date from 1858 to 1863.

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Letters from von Mueller to George Bentham, Sir Joseph Hooker and William Thiselton-Dyer, the Assistant Director and later Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. The letters on this reel date from 1882 to 1883.

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Sir Ferdinand von Mueller (contd.)

Letters from von Mueller to Sir Joseph Hooker, William Thiselton-Dyer and George Bentham. The letters on this reel date from 1883 to 1891.

Letters from von Mueller to William Thiselton-Dyer, 1891-96. (88 folios)

WILLIAM MUNRO

William Munro (1818-1880) entered the 39th Regiment of the British Army as an ensign in 1834. He rose to be a lieutenant in 1836, a captain in 1844 and a lieutenant-colonel in 1853. He was promoted to the rank of general in 1878. He served in India for many years. He was a keen botanist from an early age and carried out collecting expedition in India and later in Barbados. His main interest was in tropical grasses.

Correspondence

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114 W. Griffith (Malacca) to Munro (Allahabad), 9 Nov. 1844: Munro’s botanising in the Himalayas; despatch of plants.

Correspondence with George Bentham

Correspondence between Munro and George Bentham (London) relating to Australian grasses, April – Oct. 1877. The letters of Munro are rough drafts.

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WILLIAM PATERSON

William Paterson (1755-1810), who had a strong interest in botany from his boyhood, joined the Army in 1781. He arrived in Sydney in 1791 as a captain in the New South Wales Corps. He was in command of a detachment at Norfolk Island in 1791-93. He was administrator of the colony in 1794-95 and 1809-10.

Letters of William Paterson to William Forsyth, 1777-1803
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**WILLIAM PERRY**

William Wykeham Perry (1846-1894) held a number of administrative positions in the Royal Navy from 1868 until his death. He was secretary to Commodore J.G. Goodenough on HMS *Pearl* on the Australian Station in 1873-75 and later served on flagships on the East Indies, Mediterranean and China Stations. He was appointed fleet-paymaster in 1887.

The collection consist of the following items:

William Thiselton-Dyer (Kew) to Admiral Robert Hall, 7 March 1881: scientific work carried out by Perry while serving in the Royal Navy, including a specimen from Amsterdam Island; opportunities for collecting in the China Seas.


Perry (Shanghai) to Sir Joseph Hooker, 17 May 1881: gardens of Hong Kong; small opportunities for collecting.

Obituary of W.W. Perry, *The Times*, 20 June 1894.

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SIR JOHN RICHARDSON

Sir John Richardson (1787-1865) studied medicine at Edinburgh University and from 1807 to 1815 served as a surgeon in the Royal Navy. In 1819-22 and 1826-27 he accompanied John Franklin on his exploring expeditions to the Canadian Arctic. In 1828 he was appointed chief medical officer at Melville Naval Hospital, Chatham, and from 1838 until 1854 he was the senior physician at the Royal Naval Hospital at Haslar. Under his leadership, the Haslar Library became an important centre for natural history. Richardson married Mary Booth, the niece of Franklin, in 1833.

Letters to Sir John Franklin

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HENRY RIDLEY

Henry Nicholas Ridley (1855-1956) graduated from Oxford University in 1878 and then joined the botany department of the British Museum. In 1888 he was appointed director of forests and gardens in the Straits Settlements. He was the first scientific director of the Singapore Botanical
Gardens. He introduced new plants of economic value and was mainly responsible for establishing the rubber industry in the Malay Peninsula. He travelled widely in South East Asia collecting plants. He returned to England in 1911 and worked on his book *Flora of the Malay Peninsula* (5 vols, 1922-25). He was also the author of *The dispersal of plants throughout the world* (1930).

**Notebooks**

Aroideae Malayanae. (125pp)

Notes on aroids written by Ridley when he was writing *Flora of the Malay Archipelago*. At the end of the volume is a list of specimens from the Herbarium sent to Kew Gardens in September 1901.

Book of travels, 1887-1914. (357pp)

The book describes Ridley’s journeys to the islands of Fernando de Noronha near Brazil (1887), Pahang (1891), Taiping Hills in Perak, Gua Batu Caves in Selangor (1896), Mandau River in Sumatra (1897), British North Borneo (1898), Kinta Valley in Perak (1898) and Gunung Pulai in Johore (1904).

Botanical notebook

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Botanical notebook (contd.)

Copy of a Malay manuscript on the use of the Slow Loris and Senna in disease, obtained in Singapore by Ridley.

**Miscellaneous manuscripts and sketches**

The development of the rubber industry. (transcript of a broadcast, 4pp)

The development of the rubber industry. (manuscript, 5pp)

Zengalpinia vittata: native of New Ireland.

Manuscripts and notes on Malayan plants.

The story of the mutiny in Singapore in 1915. (manuscript, 14pp)

Plants collected by C. Boden Kloss during a journey to the snows of Mt Carstensz (the Utakwa expedition), 1912-13. (manuscript, 11pp)

The tiger in myth and reality. (manuscript, 18pp)
Gunong Tahan. (manuscript)

Wildlife in Malaya. (manuscript, 17pp)

Decorations and honours

Certificates and letters conferring honours on Ridley, 1892-1918. They include his appointment as a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George (1911), and honours conferred by such organisations as the Royal Society, the Zoological Society of London, the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, the Planters’ Association of Malaya, and the Rubber Growers’ Association.

Manuscripts

Flora Malayana. (manuscript, 268pp)

Flora Palaearctica and the order of plants. (manuscript, 272pp)

Journey to Rat Island. (rough diary and botanical notes, unpaginated)

Letters to H.N. Ridley

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Select folios:

3-15 John Anderson (Singapore) to Ridley, 1912-15. (7 letters)
85-95 Odoardo Beccari (Florence) to Ridley, 1886-1910. (10 letters)
151 A. Bryant (Penang) to Ridley, 8 April 1915.
167-206 I. Henry Burkill (Calcutta, Singapore to Ridley, 1911-24. (27 letters)
221-41 A.L. Butler (Kuala Lumpur, Taiping) to Ridley, 1898-1900. (14 letters)
269-76 J.B. Carruthers (Kuala Lumpur) to Ridley, 1904-9. (4 letters)
291 J. Claine (Penang) to Ridley, 15 April 1891.

Volume 2

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1-17 Mary Clemens (Manila) to Ridley, 1927-37. (6 letters)
33-34 Charles Curtis (Penang) to Ridley, July - Oct. 1902.
41 C.W. Darbishire (Singapore) to Ridley, 23 Feb. 1904.
56-57 H.N. Dixon. Determination of Ridley’s mosses from Gunong Tahan, April 1922.
59 Norman Douglas to a friend, [1915]. (extract)
60-101 Jacques le Doux (Johore) to Ridley, 1948-1954. (31 letters)
137 Adolph Elmer (Manila) to Ridley, 28 March 1907.
142 A. Engler (Penang) to Ridley, 1 March 1906.
162 Max Fleischer to Ridley, n.d.
181-88 Henry Forbes (British New Guinea, Christchurch) to Ridley, 1886-89. (4 letters)
198-205 F.W. Foxworthy (Kuala Lumpur) to Ridley, 1919-20. (4 letters)
247 L.S. Gibbs (Singapore) to Ridley, 14 March 1912.
254-55 John Gimlette (Kelantan) to Ridley, March – June 1914. (2 letters)
265-67 W.R.O. Grant (London) to Ridley, Aug. – Oct. 1913. (3 letters)

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Letters to Henry Ridley

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1-2 T. de Haas (Buitenzorg) to Ridley, 8 Jan. 1913.
12 R. Hanitsch (Singapore) to Ridley, 18 Sept. 1912.
21-23 Frank Hatton (Singapore) to Ridley, 1 Dec.
24-29 G.D. Haviland (Sarawak) to Ridley, April 1891 – Dec. 1892. (3 letters)
69-71 John Hewitt (Singapore) to Ridley, Oct. 1893.
79-80 E.M. Holmes (London) to Ridley, 10 Feb. 1892.
81-85 Richard Holttum (Singapore) to Ridley, Aug. 1925 – April 1954. (3 letters)
129 Bishop George Hose (Guildford) to Ridley, 4 Jan. 1909.
190-263 C. Boden Kloss to Ridley (Dutch New Guinea, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore) 1912-44. (38 letters)
264 Knuth (Buitenzorg) to Ridley, 6 Nov. 1898.
265 R. Koch (Batavia) to Ridley, 12 Oct. 1899.
266-68 Sijfert Koorders (Buitenzorg) to Ridley, 1898 – 1900. (2 letters)
282 J. Laneelin (?) (Calcutta) to Ridley, 1 March 1895.
285-87 Rev. William G. Lawes (Port Moresby, Vatorata) to Ridley, 1886-97. (2 letters)
Volume 4
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1-13  F.S. Lea (Adelaide, Sydney), to Ridley, 1885-96. (c. 8 letters)
50   Frank Lease (Tenom, North Borneo) to Ridley, 7 July 1911.
82-83  August Loher to Ridley, April 1898 – March 1899. (2 letters)
89-90  Rev. H.L. Luering (Ipoh, Perak) to Ridley, 7 Dec. 1900.
98-109  A.D. Machado (Pahang, Singapore, Burma) to Ridley, 1894-98. (8 letters)
119  Joseph Maiden (Sydney) to Ridley, 19 April 1909.
148-64  Charles Matthew (Edinburgh, Portsmouth) to Ridley, 1908-14. (7 letters)
211-18  Elmer Merrill (Manila) to Ridley, 1910-22. (5 letters)
224-25  J. Noel Milsum (Serdang) to Ridley, 14 Dec. 1922.
229   F.W. Moon (Sumatra) to Ridley, 28 Feb. 1915.
245-46  John Moulton (Sarawak) to Ridley, Oct. 1913 – July 1914. (2 letters)
251  Sir Ferdinand von Mueller to Ridley, n.d.
290  J. Carlif (?) to Ridley, 6 Jan. 1912.

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187-97  Herbert Robinson (Kuala Lumpur, Sumatra) to Ridley, 1914-19. (5 letters)
201  Richard Rogers (Adelaide) to Ridley, 23 Jan. 1915.
207-8   William Runcuniare (Singapore) to Ridley, 14 Oct. 1912.
249-52  J.B. Scrivener (Batu Sajah, Perak) to Ridley, July 1910 –June 1911. (3 letters)
261-84  Robert Shelford (Sarawak) to Ridley, 1899-1904. (24 letters)
292-93  Robert Shelford (Sarawak) to Ridley, n.d. (2 letters)

Volume 6
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1-28  Walter Skeat (Penang, Cambridge) to Ridley, 1896-1901. (17 letters)
34-37  Walter Skeat to Ridley, n.d. (2 letters)
Volume 7

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1-2 Thomas (Penang) to Ridley, 19 April 1899.
8 Melchior Treub (Singapore) to Ridley, 12 April.
31-41 David Vaughan-Stevens (Singapore, Penang) to Ridley, 1891-94 (4 letters)
49-62 Alfred Wallace (Parkstone, Wimborne) to Ridley, 1895-1909. (8 letters)
67-69 C. Warren (Singapore) to Ridley, 1894 (?) (2 letters)
112 R.J. Wilkinson (Singapore) to Ridley, n.d.
122-29 A.F.R. Wollaston (London) to Ridley, 1912-14. (8 letters)
131 Paul Wolter (Magdeburg) to N. Cantley, 4 July 1887.
138 Leonard Wray (Perak) to Ridley, 15 June 1891.
142-44 Richard Yapp (Cambridge, Liverpool) to Ridley, Jan. 1901 - Sept. 1902. (2 letters)
166-69 J.G. Romeny (?) (Singapore) to Ridley, 1899-1905. (3 letters)
170-72 W. Nicholitz (Sydney) to Ridley, 26 Dec. 1897.
173 R. Lamard (?) (Kuala Lumpur) to Ridley, 31 Dec. 1900.
179 H.T. Hanghim (?) (Malacca) to Ridley, 22 Feb. 1897.
197 ? (Buitenzorg) to Ridley, 26 May 1913.

Manuscripts

The life of a naturalist. Volume 1 (typescript, pp 1-234)

Contents:

Childhood, p. 1.
British Museum, 1880 to 1888, p. 56.
Fernando de Noronha, p. 82.
The history of the island, p. 101.
Collecting, p. 114.
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To the East, 1888 to 1912, p. 146.
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The life of a naturalist. Volume 2 (typescript, pp 235-337)
Contents:
Botanical explorations, p. 235
Batu Pahat in Johore, p. 238.
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The limestone caves of Selangor, p. 263.
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The Tenierigoh Expedition, p. 331.

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The life of a naturalist. Volume 2 (typescript, pp 338-94)
Contents:
Kadah, Perlis and Setul, p. 353.
The life of a naturalist. Volume 3 (typescript, pp 395-569)

Contents:

Visits to Cocos and Christmas Islands, p. 395.

Trip to Cochin-China and Siam, p. 429.

Borneo and Java, p. 468.

Java, p. 483.

Sumatra, p. 510.

China, Japan and America, p. 534.

Jamaica, p. 546.

Conclusion, p. 568.

The history of the gardens in the Malay Peninsula. (part manuscript, part typescript, 308 pp.)

Inserted in the manuscript are photographs and newspaper cuttings and also two reprints: R. Hanitsch. Letters of Nathaniel Wallich relating to the establishment of the Botanic Gardens in Singapore, Journal of the Straits Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society, December 1913, and H.N. Ridley. History of the evolution of the cultivated rubber industry, Bulletin of the Rubber Growers’ Association, January 1928.

Microstylis and apparitions. (unpaginated manuscript)

Miscellaneous manuscripts

Most of the manuscripts were incorporated in Ridley’s ‘Life of a naturalist’ (filmed on reels M769-70).

Volume 1

Select:

A visit to Perlis and Setul. (24pp)

Birds. (18pp)

Expedition to Telon and Batang Padang in Perak, 1908. (28pp)

The forests of Borneo. (28pp)

Crime: amok, poisoning, robbery.

Opium and the anti-opium plant. (7pp)

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Visits to Cocos and Christmas Islands. (37pp)
Sumatra. (29pp)
Agriculture. (8pp)
To the East 1888 to 1912. (34pp)
Doemonology. (66pp)
Insects. (25pp)
The Tenierigoh Expedition. (28pp)

**Notebooks of Henry Ridley**

The notebooks contain drafts of articles, memoranda, lists, rough notes, extracts from books and articles, diary entries and accounts of journeys. Inserted in the books are published reports and articles, newspaper cuttings (including articles by or about Ridley), photographs and sketches. There is a rough index at the beginning of each volume.

Volume 2, 1880-91. (pp. 1-80)

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Volume 9, 1912-14. (381pp)
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Volume 11, 1920-28. (pp. 1-51)

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Manuscripts and other papers
Oberonia microstylis liparis platycinis. (manuscript, unpaginated)
T.S. Lee, G. Ramage and H.N. Ridley. Of the Island of Fernando Noronha, 1887, and accounts of other expeditions.
Select pages:
246-310 Diary of the first expedition to Pahang, 23 June – 9 Aug. 1891.
314-30 Expedition to Mandau River, Siak, Sumatra, 8 – 15 Nov. 1897.
332-50 Expedition to British North Borneo, 26 Nov. – 29 Dec. 1897.
350-60 Of an excursion to the Kinta Valley, Perak, 24 Sept. – 14 Oct. 1898.
Orchids, 1880-87. (manuscript, 56 folios)
Various zoological and botanical papers. (manuscript and printed, 150pp)
H.N. Ridley. Wild nature and supernature in Malaya. (typescript, 2vols., 253pp)

JOHN SMITH
John Smith (1798-1888) joined the staff of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew in 1822. He became curator in 1841 and remained in the post until 1886.
Ferns collected by Hugh Cuming at the Philippine islands, Singapore, Malacca and St Helena, 1836-40. (manuscript, unpaginated) The list was published by Smith in the Journal of Botany, 1841.
OTTO STAPF

Otto Stapf (1857-1933) studied botany at the University of Vienna and was subsequently a lecturer at the University. In 1887 he undertook a botanical expedition to Persia. He moved to London in 1890 and joined the staff of the Royal Botanic Gardens. He was keeper of the Herbarium from 1909 to 1922.

List of plants from Borneo, n.d. (manuscript, 2 vols.,)

SIR FREDERICK STERN

Sir Frederick Claude Stern (1884-1967), the son of a merchant banker, had a lifelong interest in botany and horticulture. He created a famous garden at his estate near Worthing, Sussex, and helped fund a number of collecting expeditions. He was the treasurer of the Linnean Society from 1941 to 1958.

Select:

Seeds collected in Tasmania by H.F. Comber, 1929-30. (typescript, 5pp)

Descriptions of Telopea truncata, Richea padanifolta, Ozothamnus Rosmarinifolius v purpurascens and Prionotes cerinthoides. (typescript, 1p)

H.F. Comber (Hobart) to Lionel de Rothschild, 7 Nov. 1929: discovery of plants, including strains of purple, blue, mauve and pink shades of Olearia; difficulty in obtaining seeds; travelling conditions. (typescript copy)

WILLIAM SWAINSON

William John Swainson (1789-1855) developed a strong interest in zoology and botany while serving in the British Army in Europe. He went to Brazil in 1816 and assembled a major collection of plants and subsequently produced a series of publications on natural history. He migrated to New Zealand in 1841. In 1852 he visited Australia to study its flora.

Sketches of Australasian trees. 10 pencil sketches.

Some of the trees are identified:

Puckatia trees (Atherosperma) near Hutt Forest
Rata, near Bryce’s, Upper Hutt, 1848
Pine, edge of Pekine Swamp
Silver leaf fern, Hutt Forest
Pukatia (Atherosperma), Lower Hutt, 1848
Gigantic Rata, Hutt Forest
SIR WILLIAM THISELTON-DYER

Sir William Turner Thiselton-Dyer (1843-1928) was a graduate of Oxford University and subsequently held academic posts at the Royal Agricultural College in Cirencester and the Royal College of Science in Dublin. In 1875 he was appointed Assistant Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens. In 1885, following the retirement of Sir Joseph Hooker (his father-in-law), he became Director and held the post until 1905.

Letters to Thiselton-Dyer

Volume 2
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88  Sir James Hector (Wellington) to Thiselton-Dyer, 26 July 1894.
298  Joseph Maiden (Sydney) to Thiselton-Dyer, 19 July 1906.

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181  Henry Ridley (Singapore) to Thiselton-Dyer, 2 April 1907.
182  Henry Ridley (Kew) to Thiselton-Dyer, 4 April 1918.

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99-100  Melchior Treub (Buitenzorg, Java) to Thiselton-Dyer, 24 April 1893.

LILLY WIGG

Lilly Wigg (1749-1828) spent most of his life in Yarmouth, Norfolk, where he kept a small school. His love of botany and skill as a collector brought him into contact with leading botanists and zoologists and he became an associate of the Linnean Society in 1790. His main interest was the study of algae and the history of esculent plants.

Flora Ciberia

The manuscript comprises extracts from travel books.

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56-103  William Roxburgh. Plants of the coast of Coromandel selected from drawings and descriptions presented to the East India Company, 1795.
136-80  Travels of C.P. Thunberg, 1795. (Batavia)

Volume 2
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Dissertatio inauguralis botanico medica de plantis esculentis insularum oceani australis quem publicavit Georgius Forster, 1786.

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Lilly Wigg (contd.)

Flora Ciberia (contd.)

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28-71 Dissertatio inauguralis botanico medica de plantis esculentis insularum ocani australis quem publcavit Georgius Forster, 1786.

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1-8 Sketches civil and military of the Island of Java and its dependencies, comprising interesting details of Batavia and authentic particulars of the celebrated poison tree, 1812.

35-51 Natural subjects described in the travels of James Bruce, 1790.

59-79 Natural subjects described in White’s voyage to New South Wales, 1790.

113-17 Sir Stamford Raffles. The history of Java, 1817.


Volume 4

1-553 Sundries. The whole volume was microfilmed.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

The records entitled ‘Miscellaneous reports’ form a major part of the official archives of the Royal Botanic Gardens. Arranged by subjects (including countries) they comprise not just reports but also correspondence, internal memoranda, official publications, legislation and regulations, pamphlets, and journal and newspaper articles

1.2 Colonial fruit, 1866-96.

Volume 1

Select folios:

1-4 Daniel Morris (Kew) to Robert Meade (Colonial Office), 14 Aug. 1886.

5-6 Robert Meade to Daniel Morris, 16 Sept. 1886.
William Thiselton-Dyer to Robert Meade, 21 Nov. 1887.

Correspondence, official reports and newspaper cuttings concerning Australian and New Zealand fruit, 1886-97, including letters from Sir Henry Loch (Melbourne), Charles Dicken (London) and Colonial Office officials.

Volume 2

Select folios:

547-56 Report on colonial fruit from the Governor of the Straits Settlements, 1888.

1.52 Phylloxera. Bordeaux Congress, 1881.

Select folios:

15-18 Cables from Australian governments, July 1881.
40-47 Letters from Australian Agents-General, Aug. 1881.
51-53 Letters from Australian Agents-General, Aug. 1881.
56-59 Sir Ferdinand von Mueller (Melbourne) to Sir Joseph Hooker, 22 July 1881.

6.2 Malay Archipelago and Philippines, 1876-1921. (86 folios)

Correspondence and scientific papers, newspaper cuttings concerning inter alia Christmas Island, specimens of Strychnos Ignatii (St Ignatius beans) from the Philippines, and Manila hemp.

6.21 Federated Malay States. Administration and products, 1882-1905. (folios 1-66)

Government gazettes, reports concerning the appointment of a Director of Agriculture and superintendents of experimental plantations.

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6.21 Federated Malay States. Administration and products, 1882-1905. (folios 66-331)

Official publications, correspondence and reports dealing with experimental plantations, appointments, government gardens, the introduction of Arabian coffee into Perak, the growth of murva fibre, Malayan arrow poisons and other subjects.

6.21 Federated Malay States. Department of Agriculture, 1901-16. (folios 1-442)
Correspondence relating to appointments in the Department of Agriculture, including the positions of superintendent of experimental plantations, economic botanist and mycologist.

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6.21 Federated Malay States. Department of Agriculture, 1901-16. (folios 443-514)
Correspondence mainly concerning the appointment of an entomologist and a superintendent of government plantations in the Federated Malay States.

6.21 Federated Malay States. Miscellaneous, 1902-16. (146 folios)
Publications, government reports and correspondence relating to tropical diseases such as beri-beri and pellagra, the distribution of plant seeds and dried plants, the rubber and tobacco industries, and the eradication of water hyacinth.

Publications, government regulations and correspondence concerning the appointment of a Conservator of Forests and other appointments, diseases of rubber trees, the proposed Rubber Producers’ Corporation, imports of seeds, the supply of Sapucaia nuts and other subjects.

6.21 Federated Malay States. Rubber research, 1917-28. (folios 1-175)
Correspondence and official reports concerning the rubber industry in Malaya, including meetings of officials with the Rubber Growers Association.

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Correspondence, regulations concerning the rubber industry in Malaya, including rubber research and the appointment of a director and other officers of the Rubber Research Institute.

6.21 Malaya. Gutta-percha, 1876-1904. (263 folios)
Correspondence, official publications and journal articles concerning the development of gutta-percha in Malaya, the Straits Settlements and North Borneo.

6.21 Malaya. Rubber research, 1852-1908. (342 folios)
Reports, correspondence and journal articles and other publications relating to gutta-percha, rubber cultivation in Malaya, the Straits Settlements and Borneo, Heva Brasiliensis in the Malay Peninsula, experimental tapping of Para Rubber trees, and related topics.

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6.21 Singapore. Botanic Gardens, 1874-1917. (610 folios)
Government reports, regulations, journal articles and other publications and correspondence about the Singapore Botanical Library, the despatch of plants and other specimens, research, the
publication of *Flora of the Malayan Peninsula*, and the appointment of botanists, curators, gardeners and other staff.

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Correspondence and publications relating to appointments, including the director of the Botanic Gardens (1925) and the despatch of plants, and annual reports of the director (1916-28).

6.21  Straits Settlements. Cultural products, 1869-1909. (364 folios)

Report of a visit to the Cocos-Keeling Islands (1885) and papers on the rubber, tea and coffee industries, sugar cane, fibres and other products in the Straits Settlements, Johore and Selangor.

6.21  Straits Settlements. Forests, 1883-1901

Select folios:

46-65  Robert Meade (Colonial Office) to William Thiselton-Dyer, 13 May 1884: sends report from Governor on conservation and cultivation of forests, and subsequent correspondence.


103  Nathaniel Cantley (Singapore) to Director, 3 Aug. 1887: sends annual report of Forest Department.

126-36  Sir Cecil Smith (Singapore) to Director, 7 Dec. 1887: leave granted to Nathaniel Cantley from Botanic Gardens; position of R. Derry, and subsequent correspondence.

155-204  R. Derry (Singapore). Minute on forestry in the Straits Settlements, 3 Nov. 1893, and subsequent correspondence and minutes, 1893-94.

228-64  Charles Lucas (Colonial Office) to Director, 12 Feb. 1900: forest reserves in Straits Settlements, and subsequent correspondence.


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6.3  Netherlands East Indies. Cultural products, 1870-1906. (146 folios)

Pamphlets, journal and newspaper articles (in Dutch and English), and associated correspondence relating to the Netherlands East Indies. The subjects include the trade and commerce of Java, cinchona cultivation in Java, cinchona bark and quinine in Java, kapok and its products, the sugar industry in Java, coffee and sugar cane diseases, Sumatran tobacco

6.4  Borneo. Cultural products, 1844-1913. (311 folios)
Official publications, journal and newspaper articles and correspondence mostly relating to British North Borneo. The subjects include the resources of British North Borneo, coffee, cocoa and tropical products of British North Borneo, coconut planting, agriculture, tobacco production, the sugar industry, pepper cultivation and timber production in Labuan and British North Borneo.

6.5 New Guinea, Fiji and the Pacific Islands, 1850-1928. (folios 1-160)

Official reports, newspaper articles, memoranda and correspondence mostly relating to British New Guinea (Papua). The subjects include exploration in New Guinea, particularly the expedition of Henry Forbes (1885-86), the annexation of British New Guinea (1888), trade, experimental cultivation of imported coffee seeds, sisal fibres and other plants in New Guinea, forest resources of New Guinea, and Fijian plant names.

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6.5 New Guinea, Fiji and the Pacific Islands, 1850-1928. (folios 161-304)

Official publications, correspondence, journal and newspaper articles on subjects such as plant collecting in the Pacific, the transfer of the Pitcairn Islanders to Norfolk Island, poison plants from the New Hebrides, fibres in the Society Islands, coffee planting in the Hawaiian Islands, cacao planting in Samoa, sugar cane diseases and Tahitian vanilla.

7.1 New South Wales and Victoria. Miscellaneous, 1866-1928. (176 folios)

Official publications, correspondence and articles, mostly relating to New South Wales. The subjects include Australian woods, the Dorrigo Forest Reserve, turpentine timber, the Technological, Industrial and Sanitary Museum of New South Wales, the Professorship of Botany at Sydney University, the Sydney Botanic Gardens, the Melbourne Botanic Gardens and the visit of Arthur Hill to Australia (1927).

7.1 Queensland and Western Australia. Miscellaneous, 1848-1928. (199 folios)

Official papers and publications, correspondence, articles and booklets on matters relating to economic botany in Queensland and Western Australia. The subjects include Queensland timbers, timber cultivation on Fraser Island, forest conservancy, the Brisbane Botanic Gardens, and jarrah and karri timber in Western Australia.

7.2 Queensland. Brisbane Botanic Gardens, 1873-1919. (folios 1-112)

Official publications, correspondence, journal and newspaper articles mainly on the Brisbane Botanical Gardens, including the receipt of plants and seeds, the dismissal of James Pink as head gardener (1886), the position of Colonial Botanist, and the condition of the Botanical Gardens.

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7.2 Queensland. Brisbane Botanic Gardens, 1873-1919. (folios 113-377)

Correspondence, reports and newspaper cuttings relating to the Brisbane Botanical Gardens, the Queensland Colonial Botanist, botanical gardens in regional towns and the Queensland Acclimatisation Society.
7.2 Queensland. Botanical exploration, 1861-65

Select:

Correspondence between Sir William Hooker (Kew), Sir Frederic Rogers (Colonial Office), W.G. Romaine (Admiralty), Sir George Bowen (Brisbane) and John Carnegie (Moreton Bay) concerning botanical specimens collected in Queensland.

7.2 Queensland. Cultural products, 1876-1905. (332 folios)

Official papers, scientific publications, correspondence, journal and newspaper articles on trade and agriculture, sugar, rubber and tobacco production, viticulture, timber, bark and fibres, tropical staples and other subjects.

7.2 Queensland. Miscellaneous papers. (folios 1-107)

Official publications, scientific publications and newspaper articles on miscellaneous subjects, including the sugar industry and prickly pear.

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7.2 Queensland. Miscellaneous papers. (folios 108-292)

Official reports and other papers, legislation, correspondence and newspaper articles on miscellaneous subjects, including the procurement of plants from overseas, the Bureau of Sugar, experiment stations, cycadaceous plants, poisonous plants, prickly pear, and the Brisbane Museum.


Select folios:

123-243 Correspondence and journal and newspaper articles about diseases affecting bananas and pineapples, coffee leaf disease, and sugar cane disease, 1878-1901.


270 George Curzon (Foreign Office) to Director, 29 May 1897: sends information from Trade Consul at Bordeaux on treatment of vine diseases.

293 Director to Sir Andrew Clarke, 2 Feb. 1899: seeks a copy of a report by D. McAlpine on rust in wheat experiments in Victoria.

7.4 Western Australia. Botanical exploration.

Select folios:

20-27 Correspondence and newspaper cuttings about the transmission of plants found by explorers in Western Australia and the report on the forest resources of Western Australia by Ferdinand von Mueller, 1863-98.

7.5 South Australia. Botanical exploration.
Select:

Lord Lyttelton (Colonial Office) to Sir William Hooker, 22 May 1846.
Frederick Peel (Colonial Office) to Sir William Hooker, 7 Feb. 1854.
Herman Merivale (Colonial Office) to Sir William hooker, 17 Dec. 1855.
Sir William Denison (Sydney) to Lord John Russell, 1 Aug. 1855.
Ferdinand von Mueller (Sydney) to A.C. Gregory, 9 July 1855.
Sir William Denison (Sydney) to Henry Labouchere, 29 May 1857.
Herman Merivale (Colonial Office) to Sir William Hooker, 19 June 1857.
Herman Merivale (Colonial Office) to Sir William Hooker, 24 Sept. 1857.
Invoice of specimens from North Australia Expedition transmitted to British Government, 22 May 1857.
Chichester Fortescue (Colonial Office) to Sir William Hooker, 12 Dec. 1857.
Sir Roderick Murchison (London) to Henry Labouchere, 12 Nov. 1857. (copy)
Chichester Fortescue (Colonial Office) to Sir Roderick Murchison, 5 Dec. 1857. (copy)
Council of Royal Geographical Society of Victoria to ?, 24 Aug. 1887.

7.5 South Australia. Miscellaneous, 1849-1927. (177 folios)
Official reports, publications, journal and newspaper articles and correspondence on miscellaneous subjects including Para grass, cork oaks, China grass, olives and mulberries, and coorongite.

7.6 New South Wales. Miscellaneous, 1869-1913. (folios 1-185)
Official reports, journal and newspaper articles and correspondence on miscellaneous subjects, including specimens for Kew Gardens and Sydney Botanic Gardens, exchanges of books and periodicals, the resources of Norfolk Island and Lord Howe Island, crop diseases, fruit trees and grasses.

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7.6 New South Wales. Miscellaneous, 1869-1913. (folios 186-284)
Official reports, correspondence and journal and newspaper cuttings on miscellaneous subjects including pasture herbs, resins, rubber, silkworm culture, sugar cultivation and noxious weeds

Select folios:

1-11 Lord Lyttelton to Sir William Hooker, 24 March 1846: appointment of James Kidd as curator of Sydney Botanic Gardens and related correspondence and reports.
55-67 Charles Robinson (Sydney) to Sir Joseph Hooker, 23 July 1880: photographic views of Sydney Botanic Gardens and subsequent correspondence, 1880-82.


Select folios:

1-7 Charles Robinson (Sydney) to William Thiselton-Dyer, 16 Oct. 1879: fibres donated to Technological Museum and subsequent correspondence, 1879-82.

24-32 William Thiselton-Dyer (Kew) to Saul Samuel, 21 May 1881: despatch of specimens to Prof. Alfred Liversidge and subsequent correspondence, 1881-82.

70-73 William Thiselton-Dyer to Sir Saul Samuel, 18 May 1883: despatch of specimens for Technological Museum.


114-25 Joseph Maiden (Sydney) to John Jackson, 14 June 1884: procurement of Australian botanical specimens and subsequent correspondence, 1884.

146-50 S. Yardley (London) to D. Morris, 1 June 1886: specimens for Technological Museum.

181-94 Alfred Roberts (Sydney) to Assistant Director, 12 Oct. 1886: acknowledges specimens of woods.

318-25 S. Yardley (London) to J. Bliss, 1 March 1888: dried specimens for Technological Museum and subsequent correspondence and report.

369-73 Joseph Maiden (Sydney) to William Thiselton-Dyer, 7 March 1889: acknowledges economic vegetable products.


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108-70 Correspondence, mainly about the exchange of botanical specimens, articles, newspaper cuttings and a map of the Melbourne Botanic Gardens, 1883-1912.

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23-28  Frederick Peel to Sir William Hooker, 4 March 1854: report of Victorian Government Botanist on vegetation of the colony.

49-50  John Ball (Colonial Office) to Sir William Hooker, 4 May 1855: report by von Mueller on journey to Omeo.

65-143 Newspaper cuttings, mostly about writings and lectures of von Mueller and the Melbourne Botanic Gardens and a few letters, 1859-72.

159-216 Newspaper cuttings and a few letters, 1876-96.


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247-97  Official reports, correspondence and newspaper cuttings, mainly about donations of specimens of Victorian woods, 1866-90.


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40-43  Sir Charles Darling (Melbourne) to Edward Cardwell, 11 July 1865.


166-94  Peter McBride (London) to the Director, 18 Nov. 1915, and earlier and subsequent correspondence, 1872-1916.

203-4  Herbert Jekyll (London) to William Thiselton-Dyer, 26 July 1889.

229-48  S. Yardley (London) to Joseph Hooker, 28 April 1876, and subsequent correspondence and articles about grasses, 1876-94.

265-345  Charles Piesse (London) to John Jackson (Kew), 25 Feb. 1896, and earlier and later correspondence, reports and newspaper articles, 1888-1916.

Victoria.  Phylloxera, 1876-90.

Select folios:

48-71  William Thiselton-Dyer to Robert Meade (Colonial Office), 2 April 1881, and subsequent correspondence on the effects of phylloxera on Victorian grapevines, 1881-82.
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7.7 Victoria. Phylloxera, 1876-90.

Select folios:

89-136 J.C. Hoey (London) to William Thiselton-Dyer, 17 Nov. 1883, and correspondence and reports, 1881-90.

8 New Zealand. Flax, 1907-21. (234 folios)

Descriptions of phormium tenax (flax) and correspondence, reports and photographs on the cultivation of flax, supply of specimens to Kew Gardens, the uses of flax, yellow leaf disease and related matters.

8 New Zealand. Miscellaneous, 1864-1913. (379 folios)

Official reports, correspondence, journal and newspaper articles on miscellaneous subjects, including botanic gardens and herbariums in New Zealand, plants and books sent to Kew Gardens, collections of flora, the encouragement of minor industries, legislation relating to fruit diseases, kumara (New Zealand yam), potato beetle, flax, and sericulture in New Zealand.

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8 New Zealand and Tasmania. Miscellaneous, 1843-1928. (212 folios)

Official reports, legislation, correspondence, notes, journal and newspaper articles on miscellaneous subjects, including tree seeds, New Zealand timbers, kauri gum, the Royal Society of Tasmania, fruit diseases in Tasmania, Tasmanian woods and the Tasmanian Museum and Botanical Gardens.

9.3 Fiji. Cultural products, 1879-1902, volume 1. (182 folios)

Official reports, correspondence, journal and newspaper articles on miscellaneous subjects, including banana plants, banana diseases, cacao, rubber, cocoa nut and cotton.

9.3 Fiji. Cultural products, 1879-1902, volume 2. (folios 1-233)

Legislation, correspondence, journal and newspaper articles on miscellaneous subjects, including diseases of plants, fibres, ginger, rubber, sugar cane and sugar cane diseases.

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9.3 Fiji. Cultural products, 1878-1902, volume 2. (folios 234-89)

Correspondence and newspaper articles concerning the cultivation of tobacco, the use of tonga as a remedy for neuralgia, vanilla and Fijian woods.

9.3 Fiji. Botanic Station, 1860-1900. (168 folios)
Correspondence, legal papers and newspaper articles on the appointment of a curator of the botanical gardens in Fiji (1889), coffee leaf disease, legal cases relating to the property of the Great Amalgam on Viti Levu (1882), and coconut cultivation.

9.3 Fiji. Botanic Station, Agricultural Department, 1901-19. (330 folios)

Official reports, correspondence and journal articles on the work of the Department of Agriculture, cacao, coconut experiments, plant diseases, fibre plants, sisal hemp, banana plantations, the despatch of banana suckers from Kew Gardens and Fijian soils.

MAPS

Allan Cunningham

1 Chart of the north east coast of Australia from the tropic of Torres Strait. Reduced from the rough uncorrected plan formed during the Mermaid's second voyage to its north and north-west coasts by Lieut. Phillip P. King, n.d. 12” x 7¼”.

2 Wide Bay, New South Wales. Sketch map, n.d. 11” x 10”.

3 Brisbane River, n.d. 18½” x 6”.

4 Chart of the Rivers Murray and Murrumbidgee, n.d. 27¾” x 6”.

5 [The Castlereagh River and marshes of the Macquarie River]. Botanical and geographical notes, n.d. 20¾” x 22¾”.

6 A rough sketch of a portion of the interior of New South Wales situate between Hunter River and Moreton Bay ... constructed from various observations taken during the progress of journeys performed in the winter months of 1827 and 1828. Camp sites, botanical and geographical descriptions. Superimposed on a map of the interior discoveries hitherto made in N.S.W. by John Oxley, 1824. 18” x 39”.

7 Map of the journey made in March – July 1827 showing daily progress and physical characteristics of the country. 28¼” x 31”.

Classified maps


7.4A John S. Roe. Explorations in the interior of Western Australia between September 1848 and February 1849. Two sheets. 22” x 15”, 15” x 22”.

8B Julius von Haast. Sketch map of Lake District [Middle Island, New Zealand], referred to on a collection of plants. With a note: ‘See Haast’s map’. 12½” x 12”.

8B Julius von Haast. The Southern Alps of the Middle Island of New Zealand, 1863. 29¼” x 20”.

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Note: In the 19th century the South Island of New Zealand was often referred to as the ‘Middle Island’, while the island that is now called Stewart Island was referred to as the ‘South Island’.

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List of records at the Royal Botanic Gardens selected for filming by the Australian Joint Copying Project. (104pp)

Summary list of records filmed with the exposure numbers for each group of records. (14pp)