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Today's Overview



- » Background
- » Tour of Global Plants - plants.jstor.org
- » Questions



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- » African Access Initiative
- » Expanded to incorporate herbaria and plants from Latin America
- » Today, global in scale

The Global Plants Initiative Partners



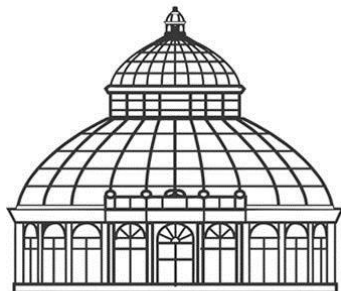
“All biologists will have access to the fundamental data of type and associated material, so basic to the identification and nomenclature of the world’s flora through Global Plants – a truly remarkable pinnacle of collaborative activity and success.”



The Linnean Society of London, United Kingdom.



Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute



THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

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New Partners



22 new partners, from Canada, Mexico, and the United States

- » University of Victoria (Canada)
- » Colegio de la Frontera Sur (Mexico)
- » Carnegie Museum of Natural History (US)
- » University of California Los Angeles (US)

About Global Plants: Plant Type Specimens



- » More than two million plant type specimens
- » Act as vouchers for scientific plant names
- » Essential reference object for a name



About Global Plants: Complementary Material



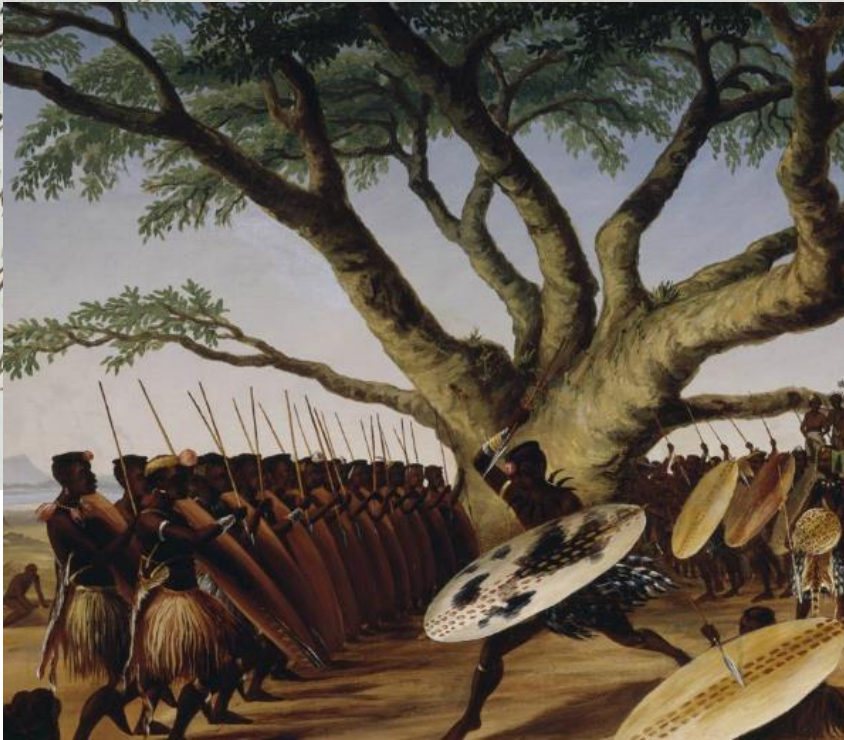
"P. S. I forward by the Cape
some Botanical and Geographical
Drawings from our Artist Mr. Baines



BAINES' PAINTINGS OF THE VICTORIA
FALLS. March 1864.

These magnificent paintings were publicly exhibited in the Exchange on Friday, Saturday, and Monday last. It had been arranged that Mr. Layard should on the first day give an explanatory lecture in connection with the paintings, reading copious extracts from the artist's journal.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Rawson, who occupied the chair, in a few opening remarks which he made took occasion to explain the motives which had led him to be present. He said he had not come out of mere curiosity to inspect the drawings, for he had seen them before. He had not come to do honour to his friend, Mr. Layard, because he knew well with what interest he would invest his explanations of the drawings and paintings. He had come with another feeling, namely, the desire to do honour to an individual whose life as an artist commenced in this town, and whom, on that account, and for other reasons, they were



New Since Launch



- » More than 280,000 plant type specimens from herbaria in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Burundi, DR Congo, Finland, Peru, amongst others

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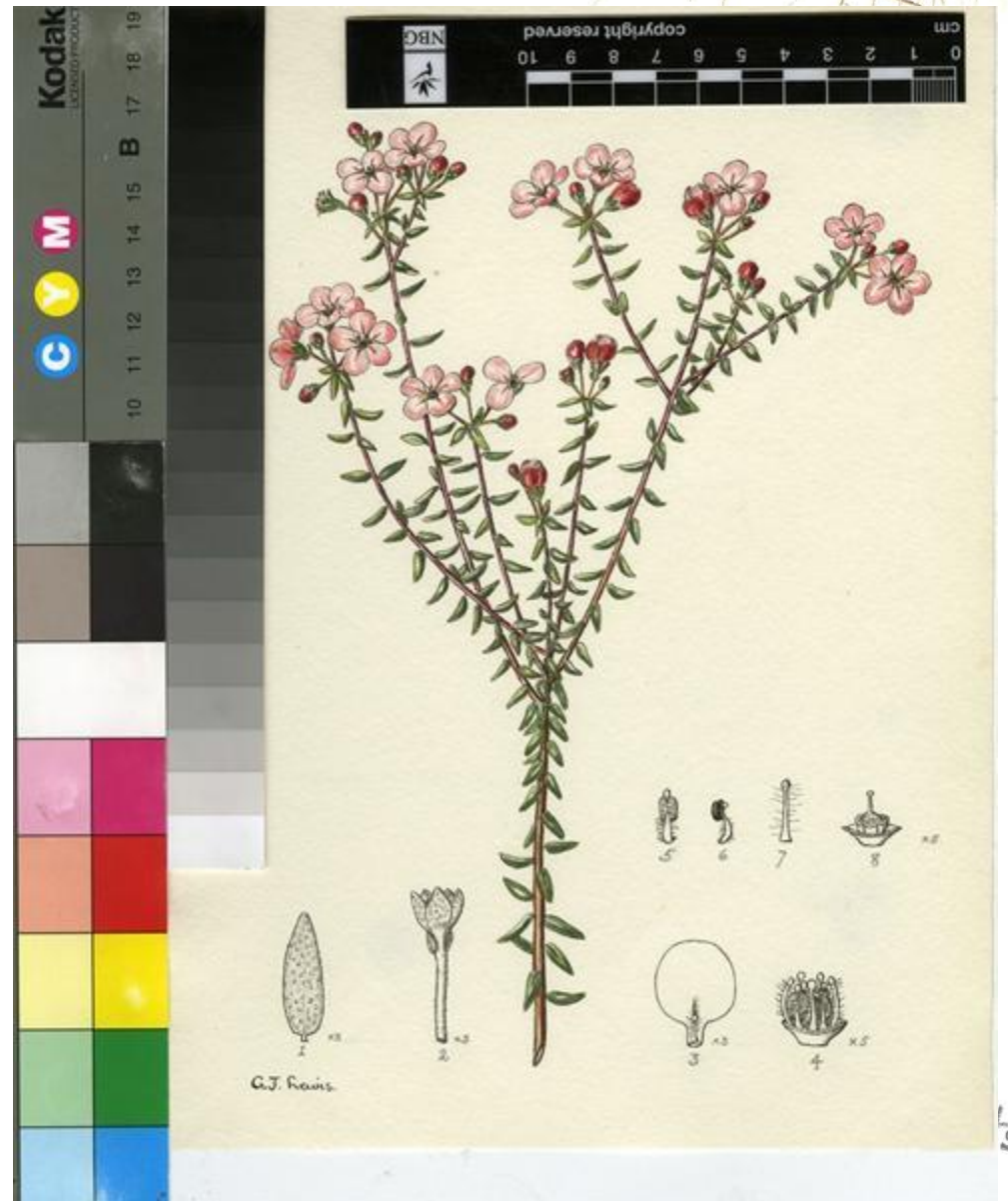


- » Added more than 4,800 complimentary materials
- » Drawings from the Royal Botanical Expedition to the Viceroyalty of Peru by Hipólito Ruiz & José Pavón



New Collections

» Illustrations of Southern Africa



New Collections



» New Caledonia and Vanuatu plants



New Collections

» Alfred R Russell Manuscripts

Sept. 30th. 1854. [WPI/3/32]
Singapore.

My dear Brother

I last wrote to you from Malacca in July. I have now just returned to Singapore after two months hard work.

At Malacca I had a pretty strong touch of fever with the old Malaria symptoms, but the Government doctor made me take a great quantity of quinine every day for a week together & so killed it, & in less than a fortnight I was quite well & off to the jungle again. I am now how to treat the fever, & shall commence at once when the symptoms again appear. I never took half enough quinine in America to cure me.

Malacca is a pretty place & I worked very hard. Insects are not very abundant here, still by perseverance I got a good number & many rare ones. Of birds too I made a good collection. I went to the celebrated Mount Ophir and ascended to the top. The walk was terrible 30 miles through jungle, a succession of mud holes. My boots did good service.

Please put a stamp on the enclosed letter & post it.



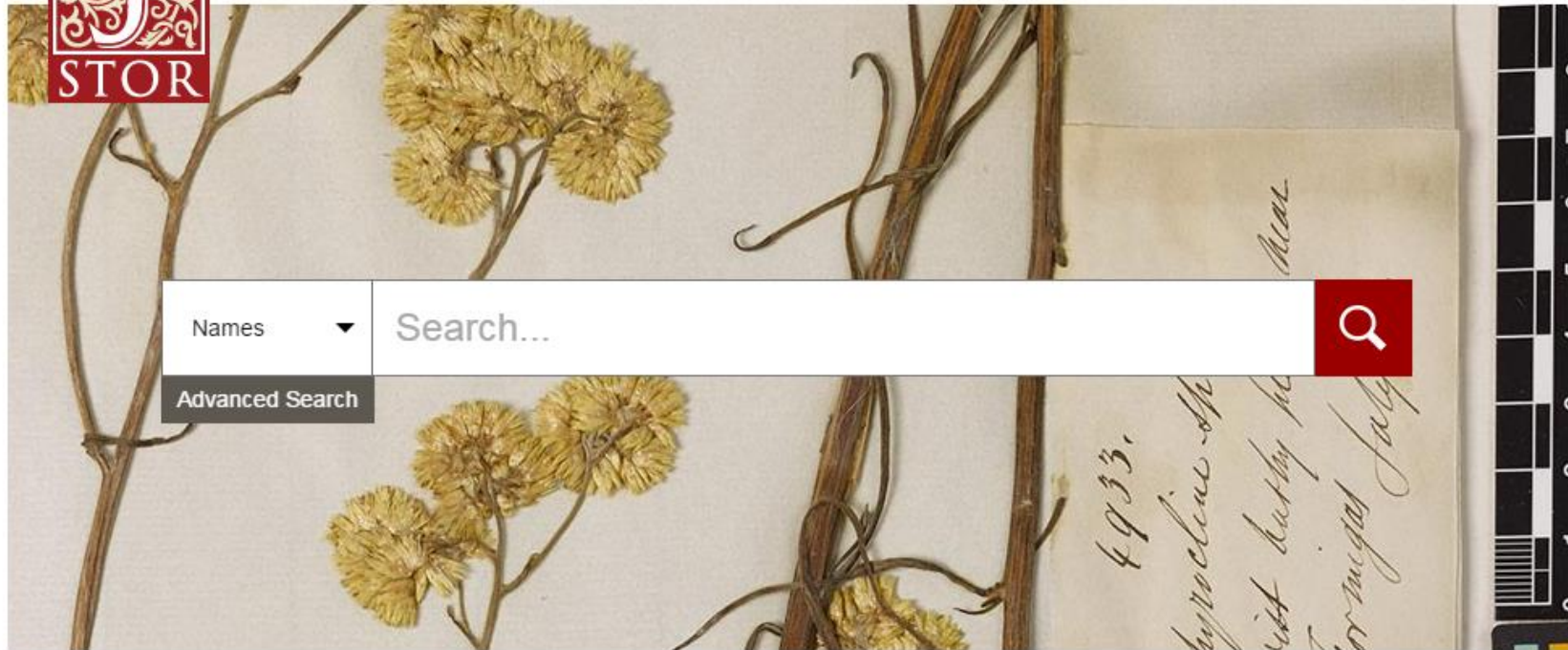
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