Joseph Dalton Hooker

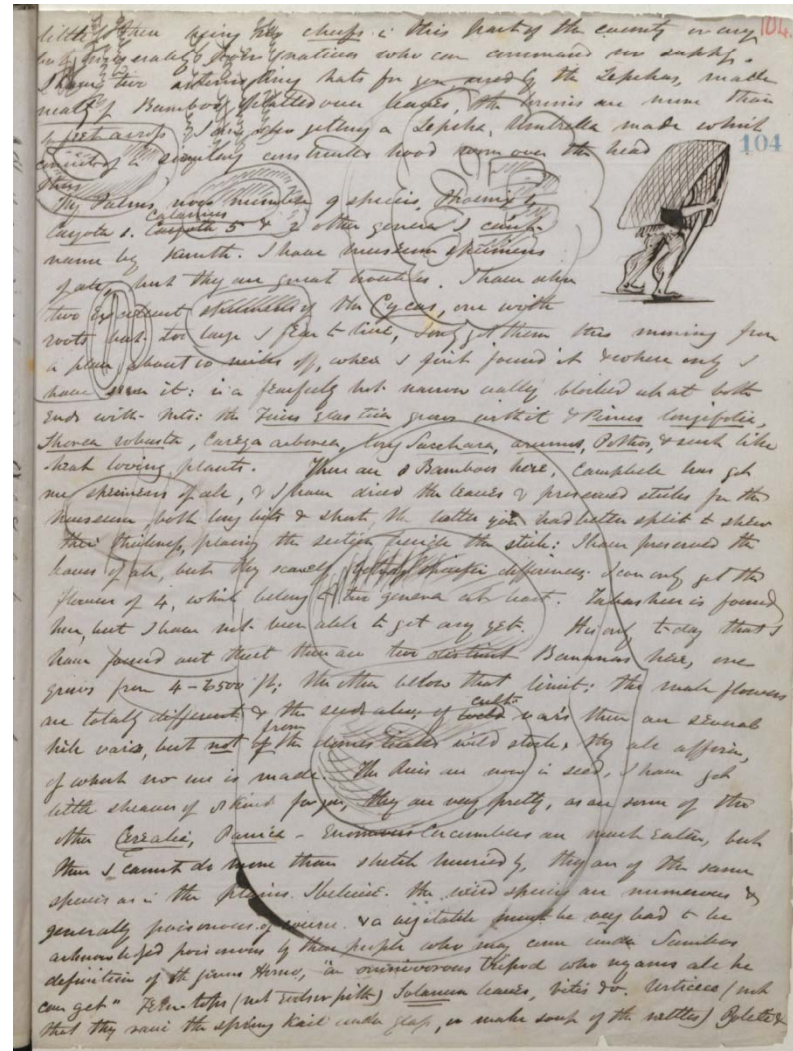## Indian Letters Transcription Project

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Library & Archives Kew Royal Botanical Gardens

Producing a high-quality digital edition

- Hooker (1817-1911) was Director of Kew Gardens (1865-1885)

- His correspondence from his Himalayan expedition includes letters to:
  - Charles Darwin
  - Nathaniel Wallich
  - George Bentham

- The digital edition will be:
  - Encoded in TEI-compliant xml
  - Fully searchable by: plant and animal family, species, and genus; country; and personal names.

Matching collections and correspondence

The digital edition will provide a link between Hooker's correspondence, physical objects in the **economic botany collectio**n like these poisoned arrows from Bangladesh and **herbarium specimens** like this *Acer campbelli,* collected in Sikkim