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OUR LADY OF VICTORY MISSION,
VICTORIA MISSION P. O.,
CHAMPARAN DISTRICT,
INDIA.

6th Dec. 1929.

Mr. V. Shibayer,
Naggar, Kulu,
Punjab.

Dear Sir,
We are in receipt of your post-card
dated the 1st instant for which we thank you very
much. The monster value mixture contains many
valuable issues and so you need mind the
duplicates which are about 40% in number.

Yours faithfully,
C. J. Miller

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Antioch Industrial Research Institute, Inc.
ANTIOCH COLLEGE
Yellow Springs, Ohio

January 28, 1931

Dr. George de Roerich, Director,
Himalayan Research Institute of the Roerich Museum,
Naggar, Kulu,
Punjab, India.

Dear Dr. Roerich:

On a recent trip to New York, Mr. Arthur E. Morgan, president of Antioch, visited the Roerich Museum and had the pleasure of talking with Mrs. Lichtmann, with whom he had had some previous correspondence. Mrs. Lichtmann was very much interested in the Antioch program and in our research projects. She expressed the hope that the Antioch Industrial Research Institute, Inc. might cooperate with Urusvati in the field of biochemical research. Since Mr. Morgan is to be away for some time, he has asked me to write you about the general college program and the research projects established here.

Since 1921 Antioch, under the direction of Mr. Morgan, has been attempting to overcome some of the shortcomings of the modern American college. To this end we have tried, and are still trying, various educational experiments which we feel will better prepare the student for a symmetrical and useful life in his chosen profession and community after graduation. The cooperative plan of combining practical experience with the more theoretical college courses; the autonomous, or Oxford, plan of study as a means of overcoming the weaknesses of the lecture system; the comprehensive examinations as a means of attaining scholastic excellence and correlation of the many fields studied - these are but three examples of Antioch's experiments in college education. Under separate cover I am sending you some printed literature which describes more fully the principal features of the Antioch program.

Mr. Morgan has long felt the handicap of small colleges such as Antioch in being unable to sponsor research projects. Such projects are of great

Dr. George de Roerich

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value to students in acquainting them with this highly interesting side of the value of scientific knowledge, and to date Antioch has succeeded in locating at the college three distinct research organizations. First, the Fels Fund for the study of the prenatal influences on the child, sponsored by Mr. Samuel Fels of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and under the direction of Lester Sontag, M. D., of the college. Second, the photosynthesis research, sponsored by Mr. C. F. Kettering of Dayton, Ohio, and directed by Dr. O. L. Inman, head of the biology department. Third, the Antioch Industrial Research Institute, Inc., sponsored by Mr. Walter Case, New York City, and directed by Dr. C. S. Adams, head of the department of chemistry.

The Industrial Research is at present working on some problems for industry and a study of the commercial possibilities of the waste plants of desert regions.

The desert plant research had its beginning the summer of 1930 with a field expedition into the southwestern desert regions of the United States. The personnel included Dr. J. W. H. Aldred, of the department of chemistry; a student, Hadley Case; and me. Using the physical tests of taste, odor, feeling when crushed, we investigated perhaps two hundred of the perennials and summer annuals of the region. If these tests gave promise of interesting constituents, the plant was subject to preliminary chemical analysis with the aid of a portable laboratory. This analysis was designed to show the presence of alkaloids, gums, sugars, glucosides, oils, resins, and rubber. Some forty different plants were analysed in this manner and of this number, five were selected for collection and shipment to the laboratories at Antioch. These five include the *Encelia farinosa*, *Prosopis velvutina*, *Erythrina flabellifolias*, *Aplopappus hartwegii*, and *Malvastrum elatum*. We are interested in these plants not only for their use in medicine, although this is probably the most likely use, but also for any other use to which plant products can be put. We plan to subject them to a more thorough analysis, keeping in view their commercial possibilities. Work on the *Encelia farinosa* and *Prosopis velvutina* is progressing.

As time goes on we shall be better equipped

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to do such work on a broader scale and hope to include interesting plants from all parts of the world, regardless of climate. Of course we are unable to send expeditions to the many interesting and distant points where strange plants are found. Thus, it might be advantageous that the two Institutes cooperate.

In closing we wish to express our great interest in your work at Urusvati and our desire to keep in touch with your progress.

Very truly yours,

LeRoy M Dearing

LeRoy M. Dearing,
Research Assistant,
Antioch Industrial Research
Institute, Inc.

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MUSÉUM D'HISTOIRE NATURELLE DE BOURGES

(Cher)

Bourges, le 16 Mars 1937.

Monsieur le Docteur.

Dans une visite rendue à M^{me} de Vaux-Phalipon, présidente de l'Association Française des Amis du Roerich Museum, j'ai eu la grande satisfaction de constater combien cette Association était dévouée à toutes les œuvres de science ; j'ai pensé qu'il serait possible, par des relations suivies avec vos différents services scientifiques de l'Inde, d'augmenter les richesses d'histoire naturelle pour les Musées de France, et avec une extrême bienveillance M^{me} de Vaux-Phalipon a bien voulu accepter d'appuyer près de vous une demande : J'ai créé à Bourges, centre de la France, un Museum, et je voudrais établir une section d'Entomologie, comme j'ai déjà organisé une section d'Ornithologie, or l'Inde, et surtout la région de l'Himalaya, est particulièrement riche en beaux Papillons et en splendides Insectes, qui attirent l'attention du Public, donnent aux jeunes gens le goût de la Science et des études scientifiques. Je vous serais bien reconnaissant, si vous vouliez bien m'aider dans cette tâche délicate, en m'envoyant les Papillons et les Insectes, récoltés dans vos excursions scientifiques. Vous connaissez évidemment la manière de prendre, emballer, et expédier par la poste, les boîtes renfermant les Insectes et Papillons, sans possibilité de détérioration, car pour une collection

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NAGGAR, Kulu
Punjab

April 7th 1931

Prof. Suniti Kumar Chatterji, M.A. D.Lit.
3 Sukias Row
Calcutta

My dear Chatterji,

You will be interested to hear that the Himalayan Research Institute of the Roerich Museum of which I spoke to you during our last interview in December 1928 has completed its first year of field work. We are now busily engaged in preparing our second year of field work and in studying the collections of the past year.

The annual Journal of the Institute will appear in May and a copy will be sent to you as to our Corresponding Member.

We shall feel very gratified to have an article from your pen for our next issue, which will appear this fall. Any subject in Indian Literature, History, Philology and Linguistics will meet our purpose and I trust you will find it possible to comply with our request. Please send the article to my address at Naggar, Kulu.

With kindest regards, believe me to be

Yours very sincerely,

GR.

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Naggar, Kulu, Punjab

June 2, 1931.

Prof. Suniti Kumar Chatterji
3 Sukias Row
Calcutta

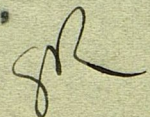
My dear Chatterji,

Many thanks for your friendly letter. We shall be very glad to have your paper for the next issue of the Journal. Any subject in your field will be appreciated. The article should be about 2000 words. The next issue will appear in November/December 1931 and all material for it should be sent to me here not later than August 30th, as the Journal will be printed in Europe. Our first number of the Journal is expected here any day and a copy will be sent to you, which will give you an idea about our work here.

We would like very much to establish a scientific cooperation with the various departments of the Calcutta University and enter into an exchange of publications with them. I would appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Prof. Roerich sends you his best wishes, in which I join him.

Yours sincerely,



Director.

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NAGGAR, Sept. 29, 1931

Dr. S. K. Chatterji
3 Sukias Row
Calcutta

Dear Dr. Chatterji,

I am forwarding under separate cover the first issue of the JOURNAL of this Institute. The second issue of it will appear in Feb. next and I still entertain hope to enlist your participation in this coming issue. We had very favorable comments from European scholars and I do not doubt we shall meet with the same attitude among our Indian colleagues. In case you find it possible to send us an article by yourself, the article should be forwarded here not later than November 30th 1931, and if you have illustrations to reproduce we shall be very glad to do so.

Please write to me about your scientific work and transmit my kindest regards to Dr. Kalidas Nag and Dr. Bagchi. My book TRAILS TO INMOST ASIA representing the diary of the ROERICH CENTRAL ASIATIC EXPEDITION has just appeared at the Yale University Press. Another book on THE ANIMAL STYLE AMONG THE NOMAD TRIBES OF NORTHERN TIBET was recently published at Prague. Two more books are in preparation for the Series TIBETICA inaugurated by this Institute. You see we are trying our best to assist science in its quest for knowledge.

With hearty greetings

Yours very sincerely
WR.

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NAGGAR, Kulu,
Punjab.

April 7th, 1931.

Sir Jagadis Chunder Bose,
Kt, C.S.I., C.I.E., F.R.S., M.A., D.Sc., F.A.S.B.,
Bose Institute.
91, Circular Road,
Calcutta.

Dear Sir Jagadis,

It will no doubt interest you to know that the Himalayan Research Institute of Roerich Museum was able to complete its first year of field work in the Himalayas and that Prof. de Roerich and myself were finally able to take an active part in its work.

Important results have been achieved and large botanical and zoological collections were shipped to the New-York Botanical Gardens, to the Natural History Museum of Paris, and to the Roerich Museum in New-York where a natural History Section has been added to the extensive artistic and archaeological collections.

This Institute's Journal is in publication and will appear in May, when a copy will be sent to you.

It will be a great honor for this Institute to establish a close cooperation with your distinguished Institute which bears your name and which has been an inspiration for so many cultural and scientific workers. The interest which you have kindly shown to the activities of the Roerich Museum prompt us to ask you the favor of an article for our next issue of our Journal, scheduled to appear in the fall.

The Himalayan Research Institute would welcome an exchange of publications between your Institute and ourselves. Besides the Journal our Institute publishes monographs on various questions of research which form the field of our activity.

BOSE INSTITUTE

Director: SIR J. C. BOSE, F.R.S.

Tel. Address—Bostute.

Telephone No. 1309 Barabazar.

93, UPPER CIRCULAR ROAD

Calcutta, the 15th April 1931

To
Georges de Roerich,
Director,
Urusvati, Naggar.

Dear Mr. Roerich,

I am requested by Sir J.C. Bose to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 7/4, 1931.

Sir Jagadis wishes you every success in your work.

Sir and Lady Bose, who had gone to Puri on account of Sir Bose's health, had to return earlier than expected to Calcutta, as he got a very bad attack of Influenza. He is still in bed and there is just a slight improvement, the fever being still high.

The Transactions of the Institute will be sent to you.

We are sorry to notice in the Roerich Museum Bulletin the announcement of Madame Roerich's illness. We send her the best wishes and hope she is improving in health.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely

A. Crushall

Private Secretary.

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab

June 22nd 1931

Miss Anna Ornshalt,
Secretary BOSE INSTITUTE
93 Upper Circular Road
Calcutta

Dear Miss Ornshalt,

Please let me know whether Sir Jagadis Bose has received the Ensignia of the Roerich Museum, of the I-st Class for resplendent merits in the field of Science. Acknowledgments have been received from all other ensignatories, except Sir Jagadis and we are worried lest this sending has been lost in the post.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary to
Prof. N. de Roerich.

Mayapuri,

Darjeeling.

29th June, 1931.

Dear Mr. Shibayef,

Thanks for your letter of 22nd June. I am pleased to let you know that Sir J.C. Bose has received the Ensignia of the Roerich Museum, and that a letter of acknowledgement was sent to the Roerich Museum, New York.

I hope that Madame Roerich is keeping better. I was very sorry to read about her illness in the Roerich Museum Bulletin.

I have an Indian friend here in Darjeeling, who is a collector of plants, especially Orchids, of which he has many hundreds of different species. When I told him of the work that is being done, he asked me if it was possible for him to get into touch with someone at ~~the~~ Urusvati ? His address is Mr. Birin Ghose, Town End, Darjeeling.

With kind regards and please remember me to Prof. and Madame Roerich.

Yours sincerely

A. Ernschall

NAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB

Jan. 23, 1934

Sir Jagadis Chandra Bose
The Bose Institute
93 Upper Circular Road
Calcutta

Dear Sir Jagadis,

In conformity with our Institute's practice to dedicate the issues of our Journal to great names of science, the Institute has decided to dedicate the next volume to you and your work, thus paying tribute to Indian science and your momentous contribution, which we have always followed with great admiration. We hope that you will accept this dedication and request you to kindly send us the following:

- 1) a large autographed photograph of yourself to reproduce on the front page
- 2) a biographical article on your life and work by one of your collaborators, to be used as dedicatory article.

The next issue of the Journal is scheduled to appear in the course of 1934 and we shall be grateful if the photograph and article could reach us between now and the 1st of April.

With heartiest greetings on behalf of Prof. de Roerich and of the Institute's staff

cordially yours,

Director.

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BOSE INSTITUTE

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Director : SIR J. C. BOSE, F.R.S.

Tel. Address—BOSTUTE.

Telephone No. 1309 Barabazar.

Calcutta, the 31th January, 1934

Dear Dr. Roerich,

Many thanks for your letter of Jan.23.

I shall ask one of my colleagues to send the biographical article, as well as the photograph in the course of a month or so.

With cordial greetings

Yours Sincerely

J. C. Bose

Prof. N. C. NAG., M.A. F.I.C.,

93 Upper Circular Road

Assistant Director, Bose Research Institute,

Calcutta,

1st March, 1934

To

Dr. Georges de Roerich

Director, Ursavati,

Naggar. Kulu. Punjab

Dear Sir,

In your letter of Jan. 23, 1934 to Sir J. C. Bose, you were good enough to ask for a biographical article of his life and work for the next volume of your Journal to be dedicated to the Founder of our Institute. I have much pleasure in enclosing this article which I have drawn up for the above purpose.

May I ask the favour of

- (1) having a line acquainting me of its safe delivery to you, and
- (2) instruction to your printers, Baptist Mission Press, to let ^{me} have proofs for final correction.

Yours sincerely

N. C. Nag

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NAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB, Br.INDIA

March 7, 1934

Prof.N.C.NAG, M.A., F.I.C.
Asst Director BOSE RESEARCH INSTITUTE
93 Upper Circular Road
Calcutta.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of the 1st inst., addressed to Dr.G.de Roerich, who is at present en route to America, and we thank you for the very fine article on Sir.J.C.BOSE, which is to serve as dedicatory article in the next issue of our URUSVATI JOURNAL. When printing will be commenced, we shall instruct the printers to send you a copy of the proofs.

We have not so far received the photo protrait of Sir Jagadis, though we have been informed by the Indian Photo Engraving Co that they "have the opportunity of making such a block from the best available autographed photo of Sir J.C.Bose". Since blocks for our Journal are however made by our own printers and the printing is done at the same time with other blocks, we shall appreciate if you could kindly let us have the original ^{latest autographed} photo-portraits of Sir Jagadis especially for htis issue, and we await your kind reply in this matter.

Thanking you once more for your article,

Yours sincerely,

P.S. When sending the photograph, please instruct to pack it very carefully, between wooden boards or very thick cardboard and to send it registered, as mail is very roughly handled in the hills here and unregistered packets are liable to get lost.

BOSTON

CALCUTTA

Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute mourns passing of its esteemed
Honorary Advisor and great scientist Sir Jagadis Bose the memory of
whose works will ever live

Director Georges Roerich

Naggar, 26-Nov-37

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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM
WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 23, 1931.

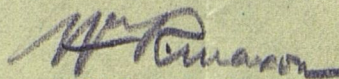
Director,
Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggar, Kulu, Punjab, India.

Dear Sir:

My attention having been called recently to herbarium material collected by Mr. Walter Koelz in the Himalayan region, I wish to ask if it may not be practicable to arrange an exchange between the Himalayan Research Institute and the U. S. National Museum through which this institution may obtain a set of the plants collected by Mr. Koelz. Unfortunately, the National Herbarium is deficient in material from the region mentioned. If the material can be sent, as I hope, it seems to me probable that we should be able to forward Chinese or other Old World specimens in return that would be acceptable, in case the Research Institute is building up a general herbarium.

I shall be greatly obliged if you will write me in the matter at your convenience.

Yours very truly,



William R. Maxon
Associate Curator
Division of Plants.

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Naggar,

June 15th, 1931.

Dr. William R. Maxon,
Associate Curator, Division of Plants,
United States National Museum,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Maxon:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 23rd of April. This Institute will be glad to enter into an exchange of herbarium material with the U.S. National Museum. We are particularly interested in Asiatic material. Specimens from China, especially from the Sino-Tibetan and Mongolian borders, would be of great value for our general herbarium. In return, we could supply the National Herbarium with herbarium sets from Kulu, Lahul, and the adjacent region.

I shall be greatly obliged if you will kindly write me on the matter at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

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Director,

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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM
WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 8, 1931.


Mr. Sina Lichtmann,
Vice-President, Himalayan Research Institute,
Roerich Museum,
Naggar, Kulu, Punjab, India.

Dear Sir:

As President of the American Fern Society I have just received from Mr. C. F. Lewis, Secretary, a letter written to him by you on March 30 with regard to cooperation of this society in the work being conducted by the Himalayan Research Institute of the Roerich Museum, in reply to which I regret to say that the Fern Society is composed largely of amateur students and that neither its activities nor resources are such as to permit this.

In this connection, however, I wish to call attention to a letter which I addressed to the Director of the Himalayan Research Institute, on behalf of the National Museum, in April last, (Copy herewith), to which I have had no reply. We are really very desirous of obtaining the herbarium material in question and should like to institute an exchange of specimens.

Yours very truly,



William R. Maxon
Associate Curator
Division of Plants.

(Enclosure)

Please file and verify the
date of our reply to their
first letter. S.R.

June 15, 1931.
V.S.

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C O P Y

Smithsonian Institution,
April 23, 1931.

Director,
Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggar, Kulu, Punjab, India.

Dear Sir:

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I shall be greatly obliged if you will write me in the matter at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) William R. Maxon
Associate Curator
Division of Plants.

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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM
WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 25, 1931.

Dr. Georges de Roerich,
Director, Himalayan Research Institute,
Roerich Museum,
Naggar, Kulu, Punjab, India.

Dear Dr. de Roerich:

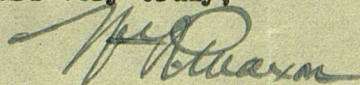
I received not long ago your very kind letter of June 15, just after having addressed a letter to Dr. Lichtmann in response to a letter which he had addressed to the American Fern Society. The Fern Society, unfortunately, is not in a position to be of assistance to the Himalayan Research Institute, as I stated to Dr. Lichtmann, but I am exceedingly glad to learn from your letter of June 15 that the Institute is willing to enter into exchange relations with the U. S. National Museum.

It is true that the Asiatic collections in the National Herbarium are growing rapidly. Nevertheless, the flora is so rich and the regions in which the Research Institute is working particularly are so scantily represented in our herbarium, that we shall indeed be glad to have whatever herbarium material you may be able to send, either ferns or flowering plants or both. In return for such material we shall willingly make special effort to forward Chinese specimens and other material from the borderland regions adjacent to China. Unfortunately we have already distributed to botanical institutions a large share of the duplicates from the collections of Mr. Joseph F. Rock, as they have been identified from time to time. However, there still remains in our hands a considerable portion of the collection, consisting chiefly of unidentified shrubs, out of which it should be possible to prepare a partial set of duplicates for dispatch to the Research Institute when they have been identified. There has been an unfortunate delay in working upon this material, but I am hopeful that as a result of an effort now being made at the Arnold Arboretum, with the assistance of Dr. Merrill at the New York Botanical Garden and Dr. Diels of Berlin, it may be possible to have a reasonably complete list of identifications of the woody plants within the next few months.

May I inquire whether the Research Institute will be willing to accept specimens from regions outside of China? Unfortunately, the number of Asiatic specimens that we can send is rather limited; but of course a large number of specimens from other regions could be sent at almost any time.

Thanking you very sincerely for your letter, I remain,

Yours very truly,



William R. Maxon,
Associate Curator

Division of Plants.

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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM
WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 9, 1932.

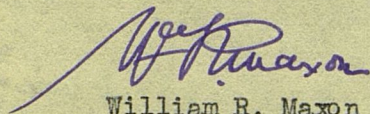
Dr. Georges de Roerich,
Director, Himalayan Research Institute,
Roerich Museum,
Naggar, Kulu, Punjab, India.

Dear Dr. de Roerich:

In accordance with our correspondence of last year, and referring particularly to your letter of June 15 and my own of August 25 (to which no reply has been received), there are being forwarded to the Himalayan Research Institute, in your care, 147 duplicate Chinese phanerogams, which it is thought will be acceptable. Shipment is in a single package by parcels post. Of this material, 90 specimens were collected by Joseph F. Rock in 1922-23, 35 are of his 1928-29 collection, and the remaining 22 were collected by Ching and by Dorsett.

In return for the material now forwarded we should be glad to receive any well prepared material from the region in which the Himalayan Research Institute is working, as I have intimated in previous correspondence. We have received several small shipments of your specimens as an exchange from the New York Botanical Garden, but the number is so small that it need scarcely be considered in preparing a shipment to us. We shall greatly appreciate hearing from you in the matter of exchanges at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,



William R. Maxon
Associate Curator
Division of Plants.

(Enclosures)

A letter has ~~been~~ not been written.

by Dr. Maxon

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM
Washington, D. C., U. S. A.

No. 7 24

SHIPPING INVOICE

Date November 9, 1932.

To Himalayan Research Institute, Roerich Museum,
Nuggar, Kulu, Panjab, India.
c/o Dr. Georges de Roerich, Director.

Approved Head Curator
Authorized Asst. Secy. or Assoc. Dir.
Shipped Parcel post
by Prepaid Collect; Messenger

On the recommendation of William R. Maxon, Assoc., Curator of Plants,
the material listed below contained in is transmitted as —
[1] a gift 3 [3] in exchange [5] return of material borrowed [7]
[2] a loan at your request [4] for examination at our request [6] return of material sent for identification [8]

LIST OF SPECIMENS

NAME OF OBJECT

LOCALITY

COLLECTOR

CATALOG
NUMBER

NUMBER OF
SPECIMENS

Package, containing 147 duplicate Chinese plants, chiefly collected by Joseph F. Rock.

Note—Loans are made for two months unless otherwise stipulated.

In connection with material sent out for identification all types and uniques must be returned. Retention of any other material is permitted only on definite arrangement.

Received the above in good order (date) 28th Dec. 1932

Retain this copy for your records

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NAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB.

Jan. 9, 1933.

Dr. Wm A. Maxon,
Associate-Curator Dvn of Plants.
Smithsonian Institution.
United States National Museum,
Washington D.C.

Dear Dr. Maxon,

Many thanks for your letter of Nov. 1, 1932. Unfortunately your letter of Aug. 25th was never received by this office. The parcel containing 147 duplicate Chinese phanerogams has been received by this Institute and we thank you for this material, which is much appreciated. In return we shall be glad to forward you some duplicate material from the middle and higher altitudes of the Himalayan region in which our Institute is working. I note you have received small shipment of our specimen from the New-York Botanical Garden. We shall advise you of the shipment as our botanical department will ^{soon} be ready with it.

Sincerely yours,

Director.

NAGGAR,
Kulu,
Punjab,
Br. India.

Dr. B. E. Read,
Peking Medical College
Peking, China.

Dear Dr. Read,

I did not write to you before postponing this until the time when I could give you more definite data about our work here. We have completed a very successful year of field work, and our zoological and botanical departments were most active in gathering our herbarium and zoological collections.

Our biochemical and pharmacological laboratories in which you are especially interested are going up and we hope to complete the building in summer 1932. Meanwhile we are gathering all available data about Indian and Tibetan Pharmacopoeia and by the time our Biochemical and Pharmacological Laboratories will be ready we shall have ample material for research work.

Our Journal is now being printed annually and the first issue of it has been probably already sent to you from New-York. The second issue will be forthcoming in November/December and we hope you will agree to send us your contribution of an article in your field of study which will be greatly appreciated by this Institute.

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We hope to have the pleasure to welcome you at our Himalayan Headquarters and trust that the future will bring a fruitful scientific cooperation between the Peping Medical College and our Institute. Needless to say we would welcome an exchange of publications.

With all best wishes

Very sincerely yours,

WR

Director.

PEKING UNION MEDICAL COLLEGE
PEPING, CHINA

DEPARTMENT OF
PHARMACOLOGY

September 1, 1931

Dr. George Roerich
Director of the Himalayan
Research Institute
Naggar, Kulu, Punjab
India

Dear Dr. Roerich:

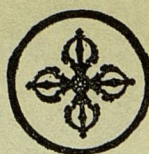
I have just received your letter concerning your new Journal of Urusvati. I have not yet seen this and will be quite interested to do so. I am very busy at the present time and prefer to wait some time before I attempt any more publications. I have now in the press a lengthy translation of the animal drugs in Chinese materia medica of which I will send you a copy. Under separate cover I am sending you our bulletin upon Minerals and Stones in Chinese medicine and a bulletin upon the Botany of Ephedra.

I am delighted to know that your laboratories are having such a successful time. I do not know when I shall have an opportunity of visiting you. Just at present I am making plans to leave this institution and join the Lester Institute for Medical Research, Shanghai. I expect to go to Shanghai next autumn. With all good wishes to you in your work.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard E. Read

Bernard E. Read.



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April 7th 1932.

Dr. B. E. Read,
Department of Pharmacology,
Peiping Union Medical College,
Peiping, China.

Dear Dr. Read,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the volume of Collected Papers From the Department of Pharmacology 1928-32, Peiping Union Medical College. This volume forms a valuable addition to our Research Library, and we feel grateful for your constant interest in our work.

It gives me pleasure in sending you Vol. 2 of our Journal. The Annual Report for 1931 will give you all particulars on the progress of the research at our Himalayan Headquarters. The Laboratory Building is under construction, and we hope to complete it by next autumn.

I am busy on a Tibetan Materia Medica / something similar to your own Chinese Materia Medica /. For this purpose we are collecting information from local medicine men on native drugs, record their native names, and usages, and are preparing translation of the most important medical texts. The volume will form part of our series "TIBETICA".

Chi Ping, Ph. D., Director and
Professor of Zoology
Hsen-Hsu Hu, S. D., Professor
of Botany

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FAN MEMORIAL INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGY
Peiping, China

Tsen-Hwang Shaw, A. M.,
Assistant Professor of Zoology

Jan 23, 1932.

Dr. George Raerich, Director,
Himalayan Research Institute,
Raerich Museum, New York City,
U. S. A.

Dear Sir: -

In reading the Dec. 25th 1931 number of Science I am deeply interested in the botanical collection which Dr. Walter Koelz made for your institute. Probably you have already heard of our institute through Dr. E. D. Merrill to whom we have close cooperation in many things in regard to botanical studies. I like to establish exchange relationship with your institute both for herbarium material and drugs of Tibet. Last year we made a collection of 1000 numbers from southwestern Szechuan, the flora of which is closely allied to that of Himalayas as you surely know. I can reserve a set of this collection to exchange a set of Dr. Koelz's ~~material~~ collection.

Furthermore we have made a huge collection of photographs of herbarium specimens, mostly types or cotypes, of Chinese plants, from Kew, British Museum, and other European herbaria; this collection at present has 16,000 photographs, and many are to be made. We can supply

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Assistant Professor of Zoology

you any photographs of these plants in our collection, if
your research staff wish them for comparison purpose.

It is my plan to work on the Silva of
China and flora of Szechuan, for both purposes
Himalayan specimens are very important references. I
hope we may establish close cooperation between
our two institutions.

Yours sincerely,

H. H. Hu.

Director.

Naggar, Kulu.

7th April 1932.

Dr. Hsen-Hsu Hu,
Fan Memorial Institute of Biology,
Peiping, CHINA.

Dear Dr. Hu,

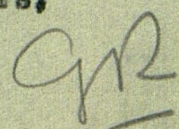
I have to acknowledge your letter of Jan. 23rd 1932, which has been forwarded here by our New York Office.

Your proposal to establish an exchange relationship between our Institutions is very welcome.

We are building up a herbarium of Himalayan flora, and comparative material from adjacent regions will be most useful. We shall be glad to receive from you a set of your Sze-ch'uan collection. In exchange we shall be glad to supply you with specimens from the Western Himalayas, and possibly Western Tibet. At present our large collection from Western Tibet is being studied by Dr. E. D. Merrill.

I am very interested to learn about your vast collection of photographs of herbarium specimens, and shall be glad to bring your kind offer to the attention of our Staff.

Sincerely yours,



Director,

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Botany Department,
Panjab University,
LAHORE, (India).

No. 40.

Dated 15th April, 1932.

Col. A.E. Mahon,
Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute,
N a g g a r,
Kulu.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter on the subject of a Collector for your Institute. I can suggest three alternatives.

(1) I can send you a bearer from this department, who would know all about collecting and pressing plants properly. But none of the bearers fit for this work available here will be able to record the vernacular names of plants as they do not know enough reading and writing. In case you like I can send one of these persons. One bearer who can read and write but has got no experience in collecting and pressing can be trained to do so in a month or so but I would not recommend this procedure. The bearers are getting about Rs.20/- a month here. The man who will be sent from here will have to take leave without pay and would be willing to go about in Kulu on Rs.50/- per month. The man I have in view has been with me in many parts of the Himalaya and Tibet.

(2) I can also send our trained Keeper of the Herbarium who knows not only all about collecting and pressing but a good deal about plants themselves and can do a good deal of clerical work also. He would be prepared to go, again, on leave without pay for the few months you require him on Rs.150/- per month. He has also got a good deal of experience of field work in the plains and in the lower hills.

(3) I have also another man available - an M.Sc. in Botany - who is at present doing some research work on a Scholarship from the University. Naturally he

is a much better qualified man, and will be able to identify plants properly and has had experience of field work in the Chamba State up to the snow line and also in Sikkim. He would be prepared to work for you on Rs.250/- per month.

I shall see that anybody who is sent from here bears a good moral character and takes no part in politics. As a matter of fact, we would not keep anybody in this department unless he fulfills these conditions.

It is understood that the man who is selected will have one local porter to help him in collecting and pressing, and also arrangement will have to be made for his residence at a suitable place round about which he would have to do the collecting. In case there is no habitation available he will have to be provided with a tent. You will have also to provide him with the necessary blotting papers, mounting papers, boxes and the necessary transport for carrying the collections and all other necessaries required for the work.

I would like to add that in case you select one of the persons mentioned above I would like him, with your approval, to bring a set of plants for this department also and this department in that case shall be prepared to contribute a corresponding amount towards the pay of the man.

I shall be glad to give you any more details that you may require in this connection.

Yours truly,
Shyam Kashyap
R.B., I.E.S.,
Professor of Botany.

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URUSVATI
Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggat,
Kulu.

Reference No. 335-K.

Manali
Kulu
22nd. April 1932

Professor Shiv Ram Kashyap
Government College
Lahore

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter No.40 of April 15th and am directed to inform you that the third alternative mentioned in your letter would appear to be the most suitable for our purposes.

It is understood that his monthly salary of Rs250/- includes his rations.

I shall be much obliged if you can give me further particulars about this man and, if possible, his photograph (a passport photo will do). Also any information you can regarding his qualifications.

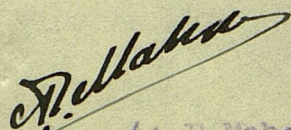
He will be required to gather a botanical collection around the Kulu Valley, mounting the plants, and placing them in our Herbarium. Our late botanist was obliged to return to America before his work here was completed, your man will therefore be required to arrange the present collection according to Families. The botanical collection to be gathered during the period June-September will have to consist of:- a complete set for the Herbarium at Naggat; an ample study set with necessary duplicates to be sent to the New York Botanical Gardens, and one set for exchange purposes.

We welcome your offer of co-operation and will be glad to let you have a set of Plants for your department, and shall be obliged if you will inform us the amount you are prepared to contribute towards the pay of the man.

The botanist will be provided with a local porter to help him in collecting and pressing, and with the necessary equipment, such as blotting paper, mounting paper, frames, boxes, etc. Also with coolies and transport. He can reside at Naggar, where he will be provided with a room at the Institute's Headquarters, and a tent for field use.

As soon as I receive your letter giving additional information about the man, and stating that the above conditions are agreed to, I will inform you of the Director's decision.

Yours truly



Colonel

(A.E. Mahon)

Copy to the Director H.H.R.I.

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Botany Department,
Panjab University,
LAHORE, (India).

Dated 2nd May, 1932.

Col. A.E. Mahon,
Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute,
M a n a l i,
Kulu.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge with thanks your letter No. 335-K of the 22nd April.

The person I had in mind is named Pran Nath Mehra. He has been a student of this Department for about 5 years. He got his B.Sc. (Honours) degree in 1929 and then passed the M.Sc. degree - the highest examination of the University - in 1930. He was then offered a Scholarship of the value of Rs.150/- by the Central Cotton Committee, which he refused as he wanted to continue his research work in this Laboratory. He is at present working as a Research Scholar with a stipend of Rs.75/- from the University. He has read quite a number of papers on his original work before the Indian Science Congress and the abstracts of several of them have already been published. He has travelled a good deal in the Himalayas, having visited the Chamba territory and Sikkim with me. In addition to the study of vegetation of these parts ^{in general} he has devoted himself particularly to the collection and investigation of Ferns and his knowledge of this group is ~~very~~ excellent. He is a very willing worker and possesses a great deal of initiative. I have no doubt that he will give entire satisfaction in his work.

The University has agreed to continue to pay his scholarship (Rs.75/- per month) as contribution towards his salary in consideration of a set of specimens which he collects for your Institute so that his salary as paid by the Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute would amount to Rs.250/- minus Rs.75/-, that is, Rs.175/- per month. I shall feel obliged if you will kindly let me know if you consider this adequate.

Botany Department,
Panjab University,
LAHORE, (India).

Dated.....193 .

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I am sending Mr. Pran Nath's photograph herewith. Kindly let me know by what date he will have to join and what is the period for which he will be working for you for the present.

I suppose the more common reference books on local botany are available at the Institute. If not, then some of the more important ones could be taken by Pran Nath from here for a short time.

Yours truly,

Shivaram Kashyap

R.B., I.E.S.,
Professor of Botany.

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Reference No. 383 - K.

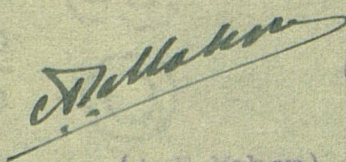
Manali
Kulu
26th May 1932

Professor Shiv Ram Kashyap
Government College
Lahore

Dear Sir,

I must apologize for the delay in replying to your letter of the 5th Inst. giving further particulars about Mr Pran Nath Mehra. We are awaiting certain details from our Botanical Adviser in New York and will communicate with you as soon as these are received. I trust this delay will not cause Mr. Pran Nath Mehra any inconvenience.

Yours truly



Colonel

(A.E. Mahon)

Copy to the Director
U.H.R.I.

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Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggar,
Kulu.

Reference No.412-K.

Manali
Kulu
7th July 1932

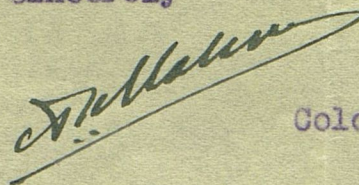
Professor Shiv Ram Kashyap
Botany Department,
Punjab University

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st Inst. I very much regret to have to inform you that we have not received the details we were expecting from our Botanical Adviser in New York. Under the circumstances I think it would be better if Mr Pran Nath were to make his arrangements without considering the possibility of his being required by this Institute, as we may now have to postpone our botanical research until the spring, and we would not like to cause any inconvenience to Mr Pran Nath Mehra.

If we should hear anything definite within the next day or two I will communicate with you by wire.

Yours sincerely



Colonel

Copy to the Director
URUSVATI
Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggar,
Kulu

(A.E. Mahon)

NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

Sept. 27, 1932.

Professor Shiv Ram Kashyap,
Department of Botany.
Government College
LAHORE.

Dear Prof. Kashyap,

This coming winter our Institute will publish the third issue of its JOURNAL, dedicated this time to the scientific explorations of Inner Asia by the great Swedish explorer Dr. Sven Hedin. A number of French, American and other European scholars have already contributed to this issue. Knowing the interest you take in the botanical exploration of the Tibetan highlands I take the liberty in asking to send us an article, ~~even~~ a short one, for this issue. Please let us know the number of offprints you will need.

We value greatly your co-operation and it would of great satisfaction to us to have this contribution from the most eminent authority in the botanical field in India. We sincerely hope that the next field season will make it possible to effect a still closer co-operation between our Institute and your Department.

With kindest regards

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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Botany Department,
Panjab University,
LAHORE, (India).

Dated 12th October, 1932.

The Director,
Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute
of the Roerich Museum,
N a g g a r,
Kulu.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your kind invitation to
send an article for the next issue of your Journal.

I am afraid that owing to pressure of other work
I may not have anything botanical ready by the time of the
publication of the Journal. I have recently been to the
country about the source of the Ganges in Tehri-Garhwal and
in case you care to have a brief account of this excursion
I would be glad to send it to you. There is nothing very
original about it but as the country is not often visited
and owing to the recent floods there have been a number of
changes along the course of the river. It may be of some
interest to the readers.

Yours truly,

Shrinani Kashyap

Professor of Botany.

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab,
Oct. 15, 1932.

Dear Professor Kashyap,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 12th inst. We shall be delighted to print your account of your trip to Tehri-Garhwal. Please arrange that the article reaches here not later than November 10th and please let me know how many off-prints of the same you will require. Photographs will be welcome.

Thanking you in anticipation

Sincerely yours,

Director.

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Botany Department,
Panjab University,
Lahore.

17th November, 1932.

Dear Dr. Roerich,

I am sending herewith the account of the journey to the Gangotri glacier for the Journal. I hope it is not too long. There are also 14 photographs for insertion at the proper places. You may keep all or some as you like. If necessary, I shall indicate the proper places where they are to be inserted when I receive the proofs.

Yours sincerely,

ShivRan-Kashyap

Encl:

Dr. George Roerich,
Director,
Urusvati Himlayan Research
Institute of the Roerich Museum,
Naggar,
Kulu.

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BOTANY DEPARTMENT,
GOVERNMENT COLLEGE,
LAHORE.

18th November, 1932.

Dear Dr. Roerich,

I sent you the account of the journey to the Gangotri glacier yesterday by registered post, which will reach you in due course. I forgot to mention therein that I would require 100 reprints in all of the article.

Yours sincerely,

Shiraz Kashyap

Dr. George Roerich,
Director,
Urusvati Himalayan Research
Institute of the Roerich Museum,
P.O. Naggar,
Kulu.

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab

Nov. 21st, 1932.

Prof. Shiv Ram Kashyap, BA, MSc.,
University Prof. of Botany
Botany Department
Government College
LAHORE.

Dear Professor Kashyap,

Many thanks for your letters of November 17th and 19th and the interesting article, which we shall be very glad to publish. I note you request one hundred off-prints and such will be forwarded to you when ready.

As regards the proof reading this can be done by ourselves, unless you have some special reasons, but sending them to Lahore would detain the publication. However I would appreciate your indicating the places where the photographs should appear. They will be printed on art paper plates and inserted on four sheets (8 pages).

With kindest regards and thanking you once more for your valuable contribution,

Yours sincerely,

Director.

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Botany Department,
Panjab University,
Lahore.

25th November, 1932.

Dear Dr. Roerich,

I have received your letter of the 21st November and have to thank you for undertaking the reading of the proofs of my paper. This would certainly save time and I do not think it is necessary to send the proofs to Lahore. I would like to make a few slight verbal alterations and add a few words in two places and I should feel obliged if you kindly have that done.

On page 9 of the manuscript the first ^{few} lines of the paragraph beginning with "Gangotri" should read as follows:-

"Gangotri is 10,020 ft. above sea-level. It is a very sacred place of pilgrimage for the Hindus but owing to the lack of bridges, rough roads, inadequacy of accommodation, difficulty in getting proper provisions, and recurring epidemics of cholera owing to absence of all sanitary arrangements it is visited by a far smaller number of people than Badrinath."

On page 11 of the manuscript at the end of the first paragraph after the list of plants please add the following sentence:-

"Tree limit is reached a few miles below Gaumukh, the last trees being the 'Bhuj' (Betula utilis, Bhoj patra) a little above 12,000 ft. above sea-level."

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I understand that the photographs will be inserted on 4 sheets (8 pages). In that case the most suitable place would be to put them together at the end of the

paper but please arrange them in the following order so far as possible as this is the order in which the views are met with on the way to Gaumukh.

Yours sincerely,

order of photographs

Shrinani Kashyap

- ✓ 1. Jumnotri.
- ✓ 2. Ganges at Harshil.
- ✓ 3. Pinus excelsa.
- ✓ 4. River bed at Gaurikund.
- ✓ 5. Bridge on the Janhavi.
- ✓ 6. Gangotri (1927).
- ✓ 7. Gangotri (1932).
- ✓ 8. Interior of the temple at Gangotri.
- ✓ 9. Gaumukh from the Kedar Nath glacier stream.
- ✓ 10. Gaumukh.
- ✓ 11. Party at Gaumukh.
- ✓ 12. Swargarohan.
- ✓ 13. Party at the foot of Udaigiri.
- ✓ 14. Gangotri glacier.

HAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB

Nov. 29, 1932.

Dear Professor Kashyap,

I have received your letter of the 25th, for which we thank you. All your alterations have been duly entered into the text and we have also noted the sequence of the photographs, to be inserted towards the end of the article. On going over these photographs we find that they will reproduce on 6 plates as two of the very small ones, we are afraid, will not reproduce with advantage (12 Swargarohan & 14 Gangotri glacier). We shall shortly send the material to the printers and will send you the off-prints when ready.

Thanking you once more for having so kindly contributed this article,

Yours sincerely,

Director.

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab

April 17th 1933.

Prof. Shiv Ram Kashyap, B.A., M.Sc., etc
Lahore.

Dear Prof. Kashyap,

It gives me much pleasure to send you under separate registered cover Vol. III of our JOURNAL together with a reprint of your article. This is an advance stock, and as soon as the full stock will be to hand from Calcutta by rail, we shall send you balance of your reprints and a second copy of our Journal.

I take the opportunity to thank you for the most interesting Second Part and Supplementary Part of your "Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and The Punjab Plain", recently received and to express once more our appreciation of your contribution towards our Vol. III of our Journal.

Yours sincerely,

Director.

27th April, 1933.

Dear Dr. Roerich,

I have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the III Vol. of the Journal of Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute, along with a copy of a reprint of my paper. The whole volume is, as usual, beautifully got up and illustrations have come out very clearly.

I have not got any copy of Vol.I of the Journal. You were very good to send me Vol.II of the Journal some time ago. I would be very grateful if you would kindly send me a copy of Vol.I also so that I may have a complete set of the Journal. I shall of course pay for it if necessary.

Yours sincerely,

S.R. Kashyap

Dr. Georges de Roerich,
Director,
Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggar,
Kulu.

P.S. I have just received the reprints of my paper, for which please accept my thanks.

S.R.K.

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NAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB

May * 3 * 1933

Dear Prof. Kashyap,

Many thanks for your letter of the 27th ult.
I take the pleasure to send Vol.I of our Journal as requested,
please accept it with our compliments.

Perhaps you could suggest us some reviewers
to whom vol.III could be forwarded for review in India?

With kindest regards

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Shiv Ram Kashyap, BA, MSc, IES
Prof. of Botany
Panjab University
Lahore.

13th May, 1933.

Dear Dr. Roerich,

I have to acknowledge with thanks
the receipt of a copy of Vol. I of the Urusvati
Journal which you have so kindly sent. I am very
glad to have it as it makes my set complete.

Yours sincerely,

SR Kashyap

Dr. Georges de Roerich,
Director,
Urusvati Himalayan Res. Inst.,
Naggar,
Kulu.

SHIV RAM KASHYAP, F.A.S.B.,
M.Sc., (Panjab), B.A., (Cantab), R.B., I.E.S.
PROFESSOR OF BOTANY, PANJAB UNIVERSITY.



BOTANY DEPARTMENT,
PANJAB UNIVERSITY,
LAHORE, INDIA.

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Dear Dr. Roewich,

I am returning the paper on *Sorbus* herewith
with thanks.

We are just leaving for the next stage. May I take
this opportunity - to thank you again most heartily on behalf
of the whole party for your kindness in taking us round
the Institute. We had a most interesting & pleasant time.

Yours truly

Shiv Ram Kashyap

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Botany Department,
Government College,
Lahore.

27th March, 1934.

Dear Dr. Roerich,

As you know my "Account of a Journey
~~to~~ the Gangotri Glacier" was published in the last
volume of the Urusvati Journal. I wish to have some
more prints of some of the illustrations in that paper.
I shall feel obliged if you will kindly let me know:-

- (1) If the blocks are available ~~for~~ and where.
- (2) If the blocks are available for sale.
- (3) If they would be available on loan.
- (4) Whether it would be possible to have plates
printed at the press where the Journal was
printed and the approximate cost of printing
1000 plates of each.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours sincerely,

Shivram Kashyap

Dr. George de Roerich,
Director,
Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute,
N a g g a r,
Kulu.

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

June 25th 1933

Dear Professor Kashyap,

Returning home, I just found your card and needless to say shall be very glad to see you any time that may suit. However please let me know by bearer the time of your proposed visit.

With kindest regards

Yours sincerely,

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Apr. 2nd 1934

Dear Professor Dashyap,

In remembrance of your last visit to our
Institute I take pleasure in enclosing herewith a small
snapshot of yourself and your students, as well as an
enlargement, which please accept with my best compliments.
I regret that due to the rainy weather, the photograph is
not as good as I would have liked it to be.

Yours sincerely,

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

Apr. 2nd 1934

Prof. Shiv Ram Kashyap,
Botany Dept
Government College
LAHORE.

Dear Professor Kashyap,

We are in receipt of your letter of March 27th, addressed to the Director, concerning blocks of your Gangotri article. The Director has left for a visit to the United States, but as the blocks are with the Institute here in Naggar, and the handling of the Institute's Journal is in the hands of the undersigned, I am in a position to reply to your questions as follows:

- 1) All the blocks of the mentioned article are here in Naggar.
- 2) If you prefer to purchase the blocks, the Institute is prepared to let you have them at half price. The blocks were made by the Baptist Mission Press in Calcutta, and are first-class copper blocks, which are in perfect condition. The total of the 14 blocks is 235 sq. inches, for what we paid at 8 Annas p. sq. inch - Rs: 117/8 and we are thus willing to let you have them at 58/12/- plus postage.
- 3) We could also let you have the blocks on free loan for a month or two, if you would kindly instruct your printers to keep them with good care, as we have noticed that blocks are usually very roughly handled, but we would request that they be returned to us unscratched and unbent and securely packed in transit. In this connection I may add that we have recently received an inquiry for these blocks from Swami Satprakashananda of the Ramkrishna Mission 1 Mutiny Memorial Rd, New Delhi, who sent us a copy of your letter dated Nov. 26 1933, in which you stated that you had no objection to their reproduction. We consequently replied to Swami Satprakashananda, that we would let him have the blocks, if he is responsible for the undamaged return within not later than two months. But we have received no reply from the Mission so far, though if they do reply, we have promised to lend them to him first, unless you require them for the same purpose or unless we hear from you first.

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4) As regards printing work by the Baptist Mission Press, I may mention that for printing in black only for 1000 copies from block on a page of Urusvati Journal 10x7 they charge us-----5/8/-
Supply of white art paper as in the Journal 1000 sh 8/12/-
Box, packing, despatching, postage, etc.....5/8/-
which brings the total per page to 19/12/-, to what has to be added cost of postage of block to Calcutta, and such postage is relatively high due to the weight of the blocks.

5) There is yet another alternative: we have 18 copies of your reprint left and if this is sufficient for some special purpose we can let you have these at a discount of 33% to yourself, which would be Rs:15 plus postage for the 1½ dozen.

We shall await to hear from you which of the above alternatives will suit you best.

I would like to add, that the Director mentioned before his departure that you very kindly promised him an article on your last journey for our next issue and asked me to communicate with you about it. We shall be very glad to hear approximately at what date you may look forward to receive it? Thanking you in anticipation of your reply

Yours Sincerely,

V. Shibayev.

SECRETARY

URUSVATI HIMALAYAN RESEARCH
INSTITUTE OF ROERICH MUSEUM

SHIV RAM KASHYAP, D.Sc.,
M.Sc., (Panjab), B.A., (Cantab), R.B., I.E.S.
PROFESSOR OF BOTANY, PANJAB UNIVERSITY.



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BOTANY DEPARTMENT,
PANJAB UNIVERSITY,
LAHORE, INDIA.

21st April 1934.

Dear Mr. Shibayev,

I am very much obliged to you for your kindness in sending me the photograph and the enlargement. I appreciate it very much and it will always remind me of the pleasant visit of our party to Naggar.

I am also grateful to you for the information regarding blocks. Since the blocks are kept at Naggar they would, I suppose, be available if required later on by me, unless, of course, they are given to somebody else for the time being. I shall most probably require them in a few months' time and I shall write to you about it at the time.

Thanking you again for your kindness.

Yours sincerely,

Shiv Ram Kashyap

P.S. I have not been keeping good health for some time and was on leave for almost 3 months. I can, therefore, promise any article for the next volume of the Urusvati Journal and hope to be excused.

NAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB .

May 12, 1934

Professor Shiv Ram Kashyap,
D.Sc., B.A., R.B., I.E.S. etc
Professor of Botany
Botany Dept.
PANJAB UNIVERSITY.
LAHORE.

Dear Prof. K a s h y a p ,

One of our friends is very interested in gathering data on CACTI of the Northern Punjab, including a few Euphorbia species which assume cactus-like appearance.

If any of your students could compile a list of these plants together with specimen, we would be very glad to receive his estimate of cost for the gathering of such a collection.

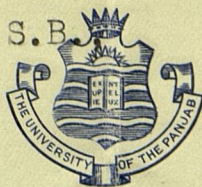
If any printed matter is available on this subject, please also advise us.

I was sorry to hear of your ill-health, but trust that you have now fully recuperated.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely,

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SHIV RAM KASHYAP, D.Sc., F.A.S.B.
M.Sc., (Panjab), B.A., (Cantab), R.B., I.E.S.
PROFESSOR OF BOTANY, PANJAB UNIVERSITY.



BOTANY DEPARTMENT,
PANJAB UNIVERSITY,
LAHORE, INDIA.

17th May, 1934.

Dear Mr. Shibayev,

I have received your letter of the 12th May, 1934, about the CACTI of the Northern Punjab. The only CACTI which are at all common in the Northern Punjab, having been introduced from America, are the following two:-

- (1) Opuntia Dillenii
- (2) Opuntia monacantha

The only cactus-like Euphorbia which is common here is Euphorbia Royleana. I can send you the specimens of all the three whenever you like.

There is a small paper^{by} by Mr. I. Burkill published in the records of the 'Botanical Survey of India' Vol. IV. No 6 on the CACTI which have been introduced into India. It may be of some interest to your friend.

Yours sincerely,

Shiv Ram Kashyap

University Professor of Botany.

V. Shibayev, Esq.,
Secretary,
Urusvati Himalayan Research
Institute of Roerich Museum,
NAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB.

.X. Determinations of the Prickling Pears now wild in India - By I.H. Burkill. Records of the Botanical Survey of India. Vol IV. No. 6. 1911.

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

May 23, 1934.

Prof. Shiv Ram Kashyap, D.Sc., FASB, etc.
Botany Dept.
Panjab University
LAHORE

Dear Professor Kashyap,

Many thanks for your letter of the 17th inst.

The three species you mention, are all known to us and we need not trouble you for specimen of these. We somehow expected the Punjab to be richer in Cacti and Cactoid-like-euphorbias, but perhaps there are other parts in India which are richer in them?

We are anyhow obtaining Burkill's paper and thank you very much for your having taken the trouble of informing us on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute of Roerich Museum greatly deplures
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Obituary.

Shiv Ram Kashyap (1882-1934).

RAI BAHADUR DR. S. R. KASHYAP, B.A. (Cantab.), D.Sc. (*Honoris Causa*, Panjab), I.E.S., F.A.S.B., Professor of Botany, Government College, Lahore, and of the Panjab University and Honorary Professor of Botany, Hindu University, Benares, died suddenly at Lahore, on the 26th November, 1934, of heart-failure. Even half an hour before his death, he was attending to his work with his characteristic thoroughness.

To-day his country is the poorer by the loss of one of its best-known and best-beloved intellectuals. As a scientist, he was respected all the world over and as a teacher he will be mourned by a host of admiring students all over the country, many of whom are holding University Chairs in Botany and other important appointments. For ever, he will be looked upon as one of the chief makers of modern Indian Botany. His pioneer researches on Himalayan Liverworts will go down to posterity as a great scientific achievement which will keep alive his memory for ever.

In his early life, Kashyap had a brilliant and remarkable academic career which can seldom be rivalled. Born on 6th November 1882 at Jhelum of a family with a long record of meritorious military services, he matriculated from the Panjab University in 1899. In 1900, he joined the Medical School at Agra and received his Medical Diploma in 1904, topping the list of successful candidates and winning the First Medal. He then served for two years in the Medical Service of the United Provinces.

While still a student of the Medical School he appeared as a private candidate for the Intermediate science examination of the Panjab University and not only succeeded in passing the examination in

the first division but stood at the top of the list in the University. He was offered a university scholarship but this he declined to accept and went on with his studies at the Medical School. In 1906, while serving in the Medical Department of the United Provinces, he again appeared as a private candidate for the B.Sc. examination of the Panjab University and again topped the list of successful candidates. In the same year he resigned his post in the Medical Service and was appointed Assistant Professor of Biology at Government College, Lahore. In 1909, he passed the M.Sc. examination in Botany, again

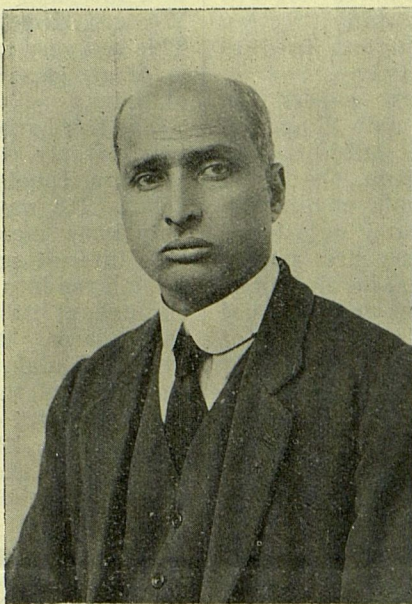
getting a very high first class and standing first among the M.A. and M.Sc. candidates in the University. As a result he was awarded the much-prized Arnold and MacLagan Gold Medals of the University.

In 1910, he went to Europe and joined the Cambridge University from where, in 1912 he took his Honours Degree in the Natural Science Tripos.

On his return home, Professor Kashyap was appointed Professor of Botany at the Government College, Lahore, in the senior grade of the Provincial Educational Service and was promoted to the Indian Educational Service in 1920. In 1919,

when the Honours School in Botany was organised by the Panjab University, he was appointed University Professor of Botany, in which capacity he continued to serve the cause of education until his death.

He had been an elected Fellow of the University for many years and the Dean of the Science Faculty for a long time. He was also a member of the Syndicate and in 1931 officiated as Dean of University Instruction for some months. He had been for several years a member of the Science Faculty and of the Boards of Studies of several other Universities also, such as



Dr. Shiv Ram Kashyap

Agra, Lucknow and Benares. Professor Kashyap was the first systematic botanist to preside over the annual deliberations of the Indian Science Congress in 1932, ever since it was founded in the year 1914. It was the highest honour that the Indian scientists could confer on him. In recognition of his valuable contributions, the Panjab University, in 1933, conferred on him, *Honoris Causa*, the Degree of Doctor of Science.

He was the first secretary of the Indian Botanical Society, which was founded in 1920, and did all the spade work in its organisation. He was its President in 1925 and was the Editor-in-Chief of its organ, the *Journal of the Indian Botanical Society*. He was also an Advisory Editor of *Chronica Botanica*, published from Holland. He was elected President of the Botany Section of the Indian Science Congress in 1919 when the Congress met at Bombay.

He contributed numerous papers on various groups of the Vegetable Kingdom. His contributions to three subjects—the sexual generation of *Equisetum*, the Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the flora of Tibet—however, stand out above all others. One of his very first papers appeared in 1919, in which he described the structure and development of the sexual generation of *Equisetum debile*, one of the Indian members of the family of horsetails, growing at Lahore, which was quite different from what was known up to that time in many species worked out by European and American investigators. The account was so different that some people even made adverse remarks in the beginning but later they all agreed when they saw the specimens. In 1917, Prof. Kashyap suggested that the sexual generation of other species would also show a similar structure as seen in the Indian species if certain conditions with regard to space and nourishment were fulfilled. Later work has shown how prophetic his prediction was.

The second subject of Prof. Kashyap's investigations has been the little group of Liverworts or *Hepaticæ*. His contribution to the knowledge of the West-Himalayan Liverworts has been very great and this may be regarded as his chief subject. He described 4 new genera and over 30 new species of Liverworts. When his first paper on them was published Professor Goebel, of Munich University, one of the leading botanists of

the World, wrote to him: "You have struck a gold vein in the Western Himalayas and made a most valuable addition to our knowledge of Liverworts." Professor (now Sir John) Farmer wrote, "I cannot refrain from congratulating you on the advance towards our knowledge of these interesting plants which you have been able to make."

His contribution to the Theory of Evolution by Reduction, in this group is very important and has been highly appreciated in Europe and America. He not only greatly expanded this theory and placed it on a strong basis but actually followed out the various lines of evolution. Dr. Cavers wrote to him, "I shall have to re-write the portion of 'Inter-relationships' dealing with the Marchantiales." Recently he published a monograph on the Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the Panjab Plain. This is a very valuable piece of work and fills a great gap in the botanical literature of India.

The third subject to which Prof. Kashyap very largely contributed is the Flora of the Western Himalayas and Western and Central Tibet. He was a great traveller and probably knew more than anybody else about this interesting country. He crossed the Himalayas into Tibet at nine different places throughout its length and several times at some places. Among the regions visited by him are Ladak, the sources of practically all the rivers of the Panjab, the world-famous sacred country of Mountain Kailas and Lake Manasarovar, the sources of the Ganges and the Jumna, the country in the neighbourhood of Kanchenjunga, Gyantse, etc., etc. It may be said of him that he knew the Himalayas as one knows his own home. He brought back a very large collection of plants from these places, many of which have not been recorded from that country so far. Besides adding to the botany of these regions, he even extended their geographical knowledge. The exploration of the Himalayas and the study of its vegetation were his life's passion. It may not be known to all that years back when far out on the other side of the Himalayas, he fell ill and had to be brought down almost in an unconscious state. But that could not keep him back from further explorations in the following years. Last year, when up on the Himalayas, he again became seriously ill and had a bad attack of heart trouble. This year, he slightly recovered from its effects and was planning yet another trip to the

Himalayas. With him, his work came first and if any one remonstrated with him for working so hard in his failing health, he would say "Why, my life is not more important than my work." Such was his love for his work. Those of us who had the rare good fortune of working with him as colleagues for a number of years look upon his death as a personal loss. A distinguished scientist, a pioneer botanist, a great teacher, and an indefatigable worker, an untiring Himalayan explorer, yes, he was all that but much more—he was, on top of everything else, a sincere friend and a generous helper to all his colleagues and pupils. Richly endowed with qualities of head, he achieved his tremendous popularity even more by his unique qualities of heart. He possessed in an extraordinary degree that sweet reasonableness which stamped him out at once as a gentleman and a man of true culture. All those who like me came in close personal contact with him, at once felt the subtle charm and magnetism and human warmth of his presence.

Such was the man who is deeply mourned to-day by a very wide circle of grief-stricken friends and admirers.

H. CHAUDHURI.

The following is a list of the publications of Professor Kashyap:—

- (1) Notes on species of *Euglena* (Records of the Indian Museum, Calcutta, April 1908). (2) Structure and development of the Prothallus of *Equisetum debille* (Annals of Botany, London, January 1914). (3) Notes on New and Little-known West Himalayan Liverworts, No. 1 (New Phytologist, Cambridge, 1914). (4) Notes on New and Little-known West Himalayan Liverworts, No. 2 (New Phytologist, Cambridge, 1914). (5) Notes on New and Little-known West Himalayan Liverworts, No. 3 (New Phytologist, Cambridge, 1915). (6) The genus *Riccia* and the origin of the Pteridophytes (Lahore Phil. Soc., June 1915) (Proc. for 1915-16). (7) Notes on *Targionia hypophylla*, (New Phytologist, Cambridge, 1917). (8) Notes on *Equisetum debille* (Annals of Botany, London, 1917). (9) Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the Panjab Plain, No. 1 (Jour. Bomb. Natur. Hist. Soc., 1916). (10) Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the Panjab, No. 2 (Jour. Bomb. Natur. Hist. Soc., 1917). (11) Notes on the inflorescence of *Zea Mays* (Lahore Phil. Soc., June 1918) (Proc. for 1917-20). (12) Abnormal number of needles in the shoots of *Pinus longifolia* (Jour. Ind. Bot., 1919). (13) Presidential Address to the Botany Section of the Indian Science Congress at Bombay in Jan. 1919 (Proc. As. Soc. Beng., New Series, Vol. 15, 1919, No. 4, The relationships of Liverworts, especially in the light of some recently discovered Himalayan Forms). (14) The Androeium of *Plagioclasma appendiculatum* L. and *P. articulatum* Kash. (New Phytologist, 1919). (15) Variability in some Himalayan Liverworts (Lahore Phil. Soc., February 1917) (Proc. for 1917-20). (16) Distribution of Liverworts in the Western Himalayas (Lahore Phil. Soc., November 1919) (Proc. for 1917-20). (17) Floating Islands of Riwalas (Jour. Ind. Bot., April 1920). (18) Notes on the distribution of Liverworts in the Western Himalayas, Ladak and Kashmir (Jour. Ind. Bot., May 1921). (19) Some observations on *Cycas revoluta* and *C. circinalis* growing in Lahore (Jour. Ind. Bot., June 1921). (20) Notes on some Foreign Plants which have recently established themselves about Lahore (Jour. Ind. Bot., December 1932). (21) A contribution to the Life-history of *Aneura indica* St. (Jour. Ind. Bot., December 1922, jointly with S. K. Pande). (22) A long-lost Liverwort (*Monoselenium tenerum*), (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., 1923). (23) Two Indian species of the genus *Notothylas* (Lahore Phil. Soc., November 1923, Vol. 4). (24) Some abnormalities in the flowers of *Cannabis sativa* (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., 1925, Vol. 4, No. 6). (25) Abnormal sporophylls in the male cone of *Cycas circinalis* (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., Vol. 4, Nos. 9 and 10). (26) The Vegetation of Western Himalayas and Western Tibet in relation to their climate (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., Vol. 4, Nos. 9 and 10, 1925). (27) The colour in the flowers of *Potentilla argrophylla* (Abs. Ind. Sci. Cong., 1926). (28) *Salsola foetida* with special reference to its galls (Proc. Lahore Phil. Soc., Vol. 5, 1925-26). (29) Replacement of fertile shoots by vegetative shoots in *Euphorbia tibetica* Boiss. (30) A new species of *Petalophyllum* *P. indicum*, Kashyap, from Lahore (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., 1928, Vol. 7, No. 1). (31) A study of *Dumortiera* (jointly with Mr. Brij Lal Sethi) (Abs. Ind. Sci. Cong., Madras, 1929; Botany Section As. Soc. Beng.). (32) Observations on the flora of the Upper Chandra Valley and Spiti (Abs. Ind. Sci. Cong., Madras, 1929, As. Soc. Beng.). (33) Some geographical observations in Western Tibet (Jour. and Proc. As. Soc. Beng., 1929, Vol. 25, No. 1). (34) Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the Panjab Plain, Part I (Panjab University Publication, 1929). (35) Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the Panjab Plain, Part I, Supplement (Panjab University Publication, 1933). (36) Liverworts of the Western Himalayas and the Panjab Plain, Part II (Panjab University Publication, 1933). (37) The Liverwort flora of Sikkim, Read at the Ind. Sci. Cong., Allahabad, January 1930 (As. Soc. Beng., Bot. Section). (38) Notes on the flora of Central Tibet, Read at the Ind. Sci. Cong., Allahabad, January 1930 (Abs. Bot. Sec., As. Soc. Beng.). (39) Some abnormal cones in *Equisetum debille* (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., Vol. 9, No. 4). (40) Some peculiar cones and microsporophylls of *Cycas circinalis* (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., Vol. IX, No. 4). (41) *Stellera chamaejasme* Linn. (Jour. Ind. Bot. Soc., 1930, Vol. IX, No. 4). (42) Acrogynous Liverworts of the Western Himalayas (Malaviya Commemoration Vol., 1932). (43) Some aspects of the Alpine vegetation of the Himalaya and Tibet with appendix—List of plants in the Herbarium of the Botany Department, Government College, Lahore, collected by Prof. S. R. Kashyap beyond the main Himalayan range, Pres. Address to the Nineteenth Indian Science Congress at Bangalore (Proc. of the 19th Ind. Sci. Cong., 1932). (44) Autonomous movement in the leaves of *Curculigo recurvata*, Dryand. (Current

Science, Vol. I, No. 1). (45) Some more peculiarities in the male cone of *Cycas circinalis* collected at Lahore in 1932 (*Ind. Sci. Cong.*, Patna, 1933, Abs.) (46) An account of a Journey to the Gangotri Glacier (*Urusvati Journal*, 1933). (47) Jointly

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Please kindly treat this as very urgent.

Dear Sir,

Our Institute requires the services of an experienced botanist-collector, who could proceed at once to Naggar, to do some collecting immediately in Spiti for a month or two, the object being to gather certain herbs and seeds.

We write to inquire whether you could recommend a person for this purpose, perhaps one of your more experienced students, and if so what would be the salary required per month, and the travelling expenses up to here. From here we would provide the necessary coolies, a tent and botanical equipment. Food can be arranged from Naggar.

Upon receipt of your letter and should the terms be acceptable, we shall wire confirmation by return and would then expect the botanist to start out at once, to spend the whole of September in Spiti, and weather permitting even somewhat longer.

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Aug. 27, 1935.

Kulu, Punjab, (Mangra Distt).

The Director
Botanical Survey
Calcutta

51906

Dear Sir,

We confirm our telegram with reply paid of to-day's date as per copy enclosed, and we shall be greatly obliged, if you could rend us your kind assistance in this matter.

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours faithfully,



INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT

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Reply paid 20 words

TO

Name

Address

Telegraph Office

Dr CHAUDHOURI

care POSTMASTER

SRINAGAR (Kashmir)

NOTICE.

PLEASE
GIVE A
FULL
ADDRESS.

Calcutta unable arrange botanist Stop would greatly appreciate

if you could kindly wire Lahore reply paid our expense urging

arrangement Stop will reimburse all telegraphic expenses

FROM

Roerich

NOT TO BE
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Address of Sender

Nagar, Aug. 30, 1935

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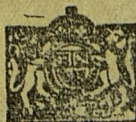
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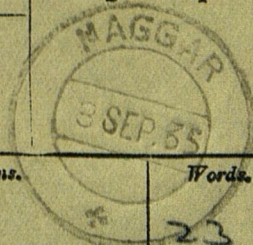
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Strongly recommend Sultan Ahmed Ladhia
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TO

Name

Address

Telegraph Office

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Principal Punjab Agricultural College
Lyallpur 51950

NOTICE.

PLEASE
GIVE A
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ADDRESS.

We require services experienced botanist collector for about six weeks
field work to collect grasses and seeds Spiti hills to commence work
immediately because season began Stop Please wire Roerich Naggar whether
reliable collector available immediately and what terms, all equipment
provided here Thanks anticipation

FROM { Roerich Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute Naggar Kulu

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Naggar, Sept. 2, 1935.

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TO

Name

Reply paid 25 words

Address

Sultan Ahmed

Ladhar

SANGLA

Telegraph Office

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NOTICE.

PLEASE
GIVE A
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ADDRESS.

Institute requires experienced botanist immediately to collect grasses and
seeds Spiti hills about six weeks Dr Chaudhouri suggests asking you Stop
Propose twohundred monthly and travelling expenses Stop ~~Botanical~~ equipment
supplied Naggar Stop Please wire whether you accept and if so start immediately
to Kulu via Jogindarnagar hence motor Stop Wire whether advance required how
much will send telegraphically Stop Take warm clothing wire us Naggar date

FROM {

arrival Kulu

Roerich Urusvami Institute Naggar Kulu Kangra Distt

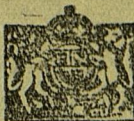
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Sept. 3, 1935

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Nagpur

Sultan Ahmed
Ludhian

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Sept. 6, 1935.

Kulu, Punjab.

Dr. H. Chaudhouri, Ph.D.
Botany Dept.
Panjab University
c/o Postmaster
Srinagar.

Dear Dr. Chaudhouri,

We thank you for your telegram of the 2nd inst. and have at once communicated with Mr. Sultan Ahmed, M.Sc with the result that he has just wired us that he is arriving in Kulu tomorrow.

We take this opportunity to thank you most sincerely for your assistance, which in the past had been so kindly extended to us by Prof. Kashyap, and we are glad to express our deep appreciation of your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

From Dr. H. Chaudhuri,
Head of the Department of
University Teaching in Botany
Panjab University, LAHORE

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Dear Sir,

At a meeting of the Kashyap Memorial
Fund Committee held under the chairmanship of the
Vice-Chancellor of the University on Tuesday 22nd
October 1935 it was unanimously decided to build
a Kashyap Research Laboratory^{in memory of the late Prof. S.R. Kashyap}. Subscriptions are
now being collected and I shall feel much obliged
if you send your subscription at an early date.
We shall appreciate it very much if it^{is} paid before
the 10th November next. The cheque should be made
payable to Mr. Ishwar Das, Treasurer, Kashyap
Memorial Fund, and crossed.

Yours sincerely,

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H. Chaudhuri

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Nov. 4, 1935.

Kulu, Punjab, Br. India.

Dear Sir,

It gives us great pleasure to send on behalf of this Institute the enclosed check for Rs:20 as the Institute's contribution to the Kashyap Memorial Fund. Our recollections of our cooperation with this eminent scientist of India are always the highest and we propose to insert in the next issue of our JOURNAL an obituary article on Dr. Kashyap.

Mr. Sultan Ahmed has returned from the Spiti expedition and is now sorting the collectings.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely,

Dr. H. Chaudhuri,
Head of Dept. of Botany.
Panjab University.
LAHORE.

DIRECTOR.

Enclosure:
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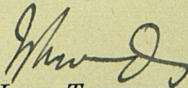
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on account of contribution towards the Kashyap Memorial Fund.

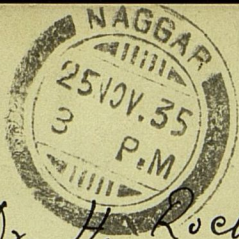
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Hailey Hall, Lahore :


Hony. Treasurer,

Dated 8-11- 1935.

The Kashyap Memorial Fund Committee.



Dr. H. Roehrich,
Himalayan Institute,
Naggae P.O.
Kulu

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From Dr. H. S. Grew,
Head of the Department
of University Teaching
in Botany, University
of the Panjab, Lahore.

Lahore: November 8, 1935.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a
cheque for Rs. 20/- as your Institute's contributions
to the Kashyap Memorial Fund. I thank you sincerely
for the same.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Roerich,
Director,
Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggar, Kulu.

H. S. Grew

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Nov. 9, 1935.

Kulu, Punjab.

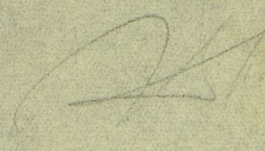
The Curator
Botanical Garden
Darjeeling.

Dear Sir,,

Please let me know whether you can secure for us living specimens of *aralia pseudoginsend* growing in the vicinity of Darjeeling, Nepal, Bhutan and Sikkhim and whether you could send same by post and what would be the charges for it. If by chance you have any seeds of this plant, I would appreciate having samples and rates.

In anticipation of your early reply,

Yours faithfully,



Camp Dallman
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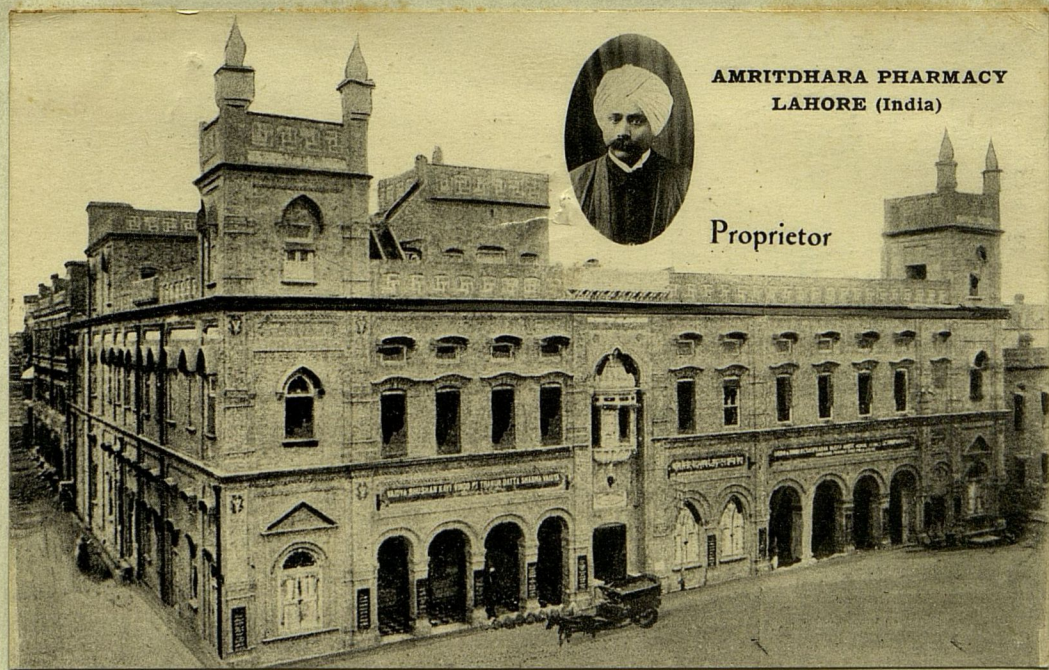
To

The officer in charge
The Himalayan Research Institute
of Roorkee museum
Nagpur

Dear Sir,

I have gone through the Literature
"Wassvate" & I am so much pleased to
know that such an institute exists.
I have come to Dallman for
summer months & will request you
to visit me at Dallman.
Please let me know if I can
be of any use as an Ayurvedic
physician.

Yours etc
The gentleman I have mentioned



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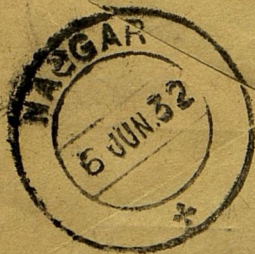
"AMRITDHARA", Lahore

Telephone No. 2008.
Telegrams—AMRITDHARA.



The Office in 4/25
The Hindu & Muslim Research Institute
of Roerich Museum
Naggar
(Kulu)

KAVI VINOD, VAIDYA BHUSHAN,
Pt. THAKUR DATTA SHARMA, VAIKUNTA'S
"Amritdhara" Pharmacy,
LAHORE.
(India)



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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

Oct. 15, 1932

The Proprietor
Amridhara Pharmacy
LAHORE.

Dear Sir,

The Director havin returned from Lahul, asks me to thank you for your kind postcard of inquiry and to inform you that he would be glad to come into touch with you and to hear in what way you would like to co-operate.

A leaflet of our Institute's aims, as well as leaflet on the last volume of the Institute's JOURNAL are enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully

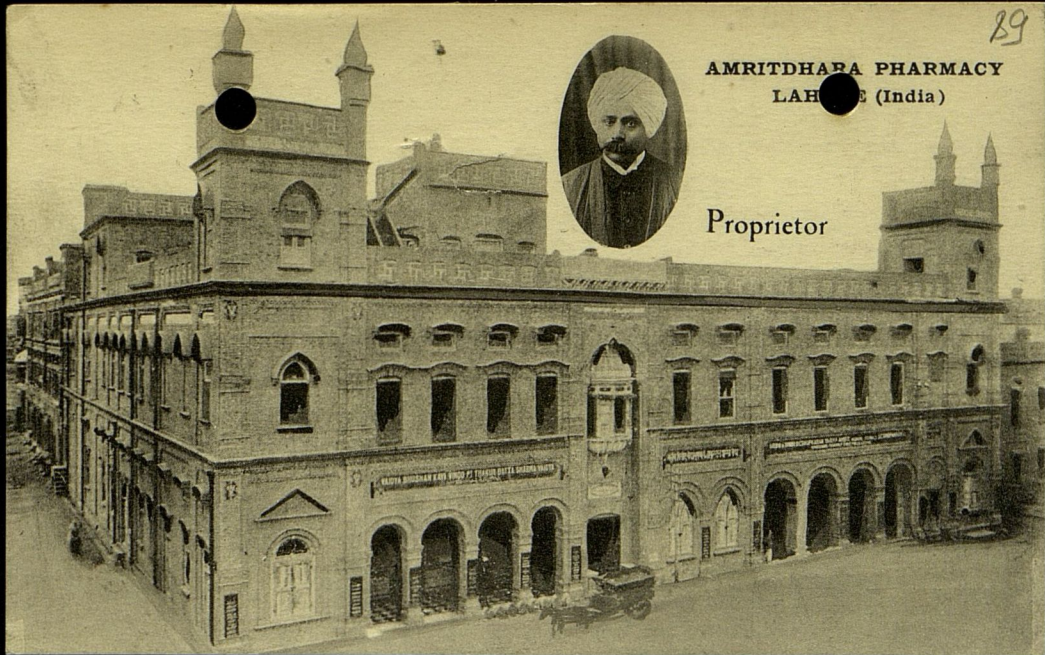
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AMRITDHARA PHARMACY
LAHORE (India)



Proprietor



Dated 18/10/32.

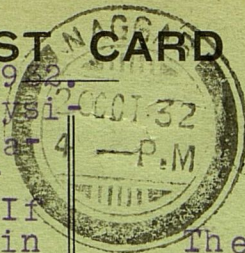
Dear Sir,

Thanks for your letter dated Oct. 15, 1932. Being an Ayurvedic Physician, I know many Himalayan herbs and their medicinal qualities. If you require any help in that manner, I will be glad to give you. You can send the last Volume of Urusvati Journal per V.P.P.

Yours faithfully,

Munindra Kumar
Proprietor.

POST CARD



Printed in France

The Secretary,

Urusvati,

Himalayan Research Institute,

of the Roerich Museum,
Naggarr, Kulu,

Punjab.

NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

Oct. 21st, 1932.

The Proprietor
AMRIDHARA PHARMACY
L a h o r e.

Dear Sir,

We thank you for your postcard of the 18th inst., just to hand. Should occasion arise we shall gladly communicate with you on questions of mutual interest. In the meantime we are sending you by V.P. Post as desired, the latest issue of our JOURNAL.

If you have any prospectus, literature or leaflets about your own pharmaceutical activities, we shall appreciate to receive these particulars. If you have any books for sale on Himalayan medicinal herbs, we shall be glad to receive your pricelists.

Yours faithfully,

BHAGAVAD DATTA, B.A.,
SUPERINTENDENT.

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT,
D. A. - V. COLLEGE,
LAHORE.

Dated 27. 6. 32

To

Dr. Georges de Roerich,
Naggar, Kulu.

Dear Sir,

Only two days I had the good fortune to see your "Journal of Uruvati". It is strange that you are so near Lahore, and still I was quite unaware of your great work you have begun to do here.

Perhaps you also do not know the importance of Lahore. This place has got 13000 very valuable old Sanskrit mss. A good many of these are collected by my personal efforts. I am writing in 8 volumes a history of Vedic literature in Hindi. Two vols. have been published so far. Rich materials await publication. So many lost works have been recovered. If you are really interested in Sanskrit studies

then for the cause of science I
I can help you in securing rare
ms. we can buy them at cheap
rates. But my interest is that
these rare things should be
published soon.

We are here publishing
a series of ancient Sanskrit
texts.

I am sending you a report of
our work. It is till 1925. Later on
I could not get time to publish
it.

Will write you more after
hearing from you.

Even rare coins can also be
bought at cheap prices at many
places. There are ancient mounds which
the archeological dept. does not
know.

Yours sincerely
Bhagavad Datta

P.S. Excavations
many places

B.D.D.

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab

Sept. 27, 1932.

Johan van Manen, Esq.
Asiatic Society of Bengal.
1 Park Street.
Calcutta.

My dear Dr. van Manen,

Our Institute will shortly publish its next issue of the JOURNAL, dedicated this time to the scientific explorations of Inner Asia by Sven Hedin. It would give us great pleasure to include an article by your pen on any subject connected with your own researches in the Tibetan field, and we shall be greatly obliged if it could be sent to us before the end of November.

Please let us also know the number of offprints you will require.

I am enclosing the leaflet of our Tibetan-English Dictionary. Work on it is making good progress.

With best wishes,

Yours very sincerely,

Prof. N. de Boerich

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TO THE MEMBERS, ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL.

150th ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDATION.

1784-1934.

On the 15th of January, 1934, the Asiatic Society of Bengal will complete the 150th year of its existence. The Council of the Society has decided to celebrate the occasion.

The Anniversary Celebration will consist of a *conversazione* in the Indian Museum at 5-30 P.M. on Monday, the 15th of January, 1934, and a Banquet in the Hall of the Society in the evening of the same day, at 8-15 P.M. The Banquet will be followed, at 9-45 P.M., by a special Anniversary Meeting in which addresses from learned Societies will be received and a number of Honorary Anniversary Members of the Society elected.

Later a volume will be published in continuation of the Centenary volume, describing the Society's activities during the last 50 years.

Conversazione. Members may propose to the Council, through the undersigned, guests to be invited to this function, such guests in each case to be personally known to the proposer. Their exact names and addresses should be provided at the time of application for their invitation.

The tickets issued will be strictly personal and not transferable.

Banquet. The Banquet at which H.E. the Governor of Bengal, Patron of the Society, has signified his intention to be present will be a subscription dinner.

Members wishing to participate are requested to inform the undersigned not later than the 15th of December, 1933, and to remit an inclusive sum of Rs. 15 to cover the cost of the dinner. Participation in the dinner is limited to members and guests of the Society. Space being limited in the Hall of the Society, it is necessary to know well in advance the number of members desirous of attending, as after the above date accommodation cannot be guaranteed.

European style Evening Dress or suitable Indian attire, with Decorations, should be worn at the Banquet.

Special Anniversary Meeting. Members desiring to attend should notify the undersigned of their intention to be present before the 7th of January. For reasons of space, no seats can be guaranteed after this date. Dress as for the Banquet. The Council reserves the right to declare their list closed after the above date. In no circumstances can members be admitted who do not hold tickets.

SUNDER LAL HORA,

Secretary,

*Jubilee Celebration Committee,
Asiatic Society of Bengal.*

1, PARK STREET, CALCUTTA,
November, 1933.

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I intend to participate in the Banquet in the Hall of the Asiatic Society of Bengal on the 15th of January, 1934, at 8-15 P.M., on the occasion of the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Society, and I remit herewith by cheque/cash/money-order the sum of Rs. 15.

Date.....

Member, Asiatic Society of Bengal.

To

The Secretary,
Jubilee Celebration Committee,
Asiatic Society of Bengal,
1, Park Street, Calcutta.

I intend to be present at the Conversazione in the Indian Museum on the 15th of January, 1934, at 5-30 P.M., on the occasion of the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Society, and I request that the following persons may be invited to the Conversazione as guests of the Society.

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....

Date.....

Member, Asiatic Society of Bengal.

To

The Secretary,
Jubilee Celebration Committee,
Asiatic Society of Bengal,
1, Park Street, Calcutta.

I intend to be present at the Special Anniversary Meeting in the Hall of the Asiatic Society of Bengal on the 15th of January, 1934, at 9-45 P.M., on the occasion of the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Society.

Date.....

Member, Asiatic Society of Bengal.

To

The Secretary,
Jubilee Celebration Committee,
Asiatic Society of Bengal,
1, Park Street, Calcutta.

No. 234.

ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,
1, PARK STREET, CALCUTTA.
(TELEPHONE, 4051, CALCUTTA.)

20 * February, 1934.

Dear Sir,

I wish to draw your attention to the galley proof of your article on "A new work on Tibetan Grammar" which was sent to you on 4-1-33 for correction. As it is now over a year since the proof was out, I beg to remind you lest this matter might have escaped your notice. An early return of the proof will help its publication in the early issue of our Journal.

Yours faithfully,

J. H. M. S. S.

General Secretary,
Asiatic Society of Bengal.

G.N. Roerich, Esq.,
Naggar, Kalu,
Punjab.

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NAGGAR, KULU, PUNJAB

Feb. 26, 1934.

The General Secretary
Asiatic Society of Bengal.
1 Park Street.
CALCUTTA

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favour #234 of the 20th inst., I beg to state that our Director, Dr.G.N.Roerich has left early this month for America, and although he instructed the undersigned to attend to various publication matters, I regret not to have heard of the galley proof of "A NEW WORK ON TIBETAN GRAMMAR". I am consequently forwarding your letter to him by airmail. This is apparently some other article than "MODERN TIBETAN PHONETICS", as the latter has already appeared in reprint form #1017.

I take this opportunity to inquire, whether you could kindly supply at lowest booksellers rate some 2 dozen copies of the mentioned reprint #1017 "Modern Tibetan Phonetics with special reference to the Dialect of Central Tibet" by Goerges de Roerich, as our publication dept. receives repeated inquiries for this reprint.

Thanking you in anticipation of your early reply

Yours faithfully,

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April 28, 1934

The General Secretary
Asiatic Society of Bengal
1 Park Street
Calcutta

Dear Sir,

With further reference to your letter No.234 of the 20th Feb and in continuation of my letter to you of Feb.26th, I am now in a position to state that information just reached us from Dr.G.N.Roerich from New-York, that the article in question was at once returned by him to you in January last year with his corrections and that he has no uncorrected proofs on hand neither here nor in New-York.

With regard to the second pare of my letter, I regret not to have received any reply and shall be glad to hear whether 2 doz. copies of the reprint No.1017 can be had and at what lowest cost?

Trusting that the proofs have not been lost and hoping that they will perhaps be found, and anticipating your kind reply concerning the reprints

Yours faithfully,

for Dr.G.de ROERICH,

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Himalayan Research Institute,
Nagar, Kulu, Punjab,
British India.

BUFFALO, N. Y. December 7, 1932

Gentlemen:

You will undoubtedly be interested to know that we are now establishing a Botanic Garden in the city of Buffalo, known as the Buffalo City Hospital Botanic Garden.

This enterprise is the result of five years of careful planning by an Arboretum Committee, composed of many of Buffalo's botanists, nursery men and nature lovers. It has the endorsement of the University of Buffalo, Buffalo Museum of Natural Sciences, and the local Garden clubs.

At the present time we have established the following:

A shrub border surrounding the hospital grounds, composed of 4,000 shrubs belonging to 200 species and varieties; a tree collection of approximately 168 species and varieties; a large taxonomic garden, built with the Bessey evolutionary scheme in mind; and a naturalistic area, comprising a bog for the native American wild flowers and shrubs; and a small lake for native aquatics and semi-aquatics.

We are acquainting you with this project for the reason that we would like to receive any literature available regarding your own collections, and also perfect an arrangement whereby we may exchange specimens or seeds, especially of those native American plants peculiar to the Western part of New York State.

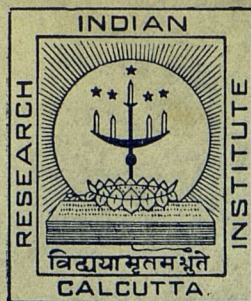
It will be a part of our policy to put out small bulletins of information regarding the species now established, the seed exchange list available and the general progress of the Botanic Garden.

Hoping we may have the benefit of your advice and cooperation,
I remain,

Yours sincerely,
WALTER S. GOODALE, M. D.
Superintendent.

Irving W. Knobloch
Per: Irving William Knobloch,
Botanist.

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THE INDIAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

55, Upper Chitpore Road,

Calcutta 13th March 1934.

Reference No. *74/53*

To

Professor K. Nicholas Roerich, Esq.,
Naggar,
Kulu, Punjab.

Dear Sir,

As advised by the President, Sir Dvea Prasad Sarvadhikary Kt., whose letter is enclosed herein, I beg to send per separate Registered Book-Post, the first part of the Rigveda Samhita and a copy of "Barhut" the first number of Fine Arts Series for your kind acceptance and perusal. From the enclosed Rules and connected papers you may kindly see the aims and activities of the Institute. Broadly, it stands for wide propagation of Indian Culture and Wisdom.

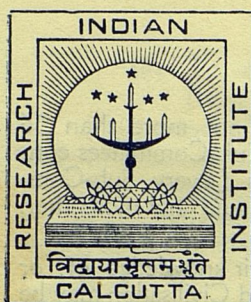
It is needless to say that to carry out such stupendous tasks, patronage and sympathy of the ruling princes, the rich and the cultured are indispensable. It is gratifying to state that some of the ruling princes including Their Highnesses the Maharaja Bahadurs of Kashmir, Panna, Danta, Dharampur, Mysore, Limbdi, Tehri Garwal, - Chattarpur, etc., have become patrons and life-subscribers of the Institute. Besides publications the Vedic Literature and books on Fine Arts, books on Philosophy, Ayurveda (Indian Medicine) etc., are being compiled and a Research Journal under the editorship of Drs. D. R. Bhandarkar, B. C. Law, and B. M. Barua with Sir B. N. Seal, Kt., Dr. P. K. Acharya etc., as members of the Advisory Board are soon expected to be out. We have received liberal grant from Dr. B. C. Law, for publication of Fine Arts Series but all other resources being utilised for publication of Vedic and Post-Vedic Literature, we are feeling paucity of fund to print the plates of Barhut (numbering 140). Your keen interest for Fine Arts and Architecture of Ancient India, prompts us to approach you for your kind patronage and co-operation on behalf of the cause which the Institute stands for and which is, we expect, nearest to your heart.

An early and favourable response will be much appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Sati Chandra Lal

Honorary Secretary.



THE INDIAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

55, UPPER CHITPORE ROAD,
CALCUTTA.

ITS AIMS & OBJECTS WITH A BRIEF SKETCH OF RULES & REGULATIONS

The Institute has been formed to carry out the following main objects :—

- (a) To publish the best products of Ancient Indian Literature in critical and moderately priced editions with translations and critical and explanatory notes in English, Hindi and Bengali or other vernaculars.
- (b) To offer facilities to scholars to make researches in Ancient Indian Literature under proper direction and to embody their results in monthly magazines in English and vernaculars.
- (c) To maintain a suitable library, museum etc.
- (d) To open cultural centres in different parts of India and in other countries.
- (e) To take steps to spread the knowledge of Ancient Indian culture and Civilization.
- (f) To be associated with other institutions with similar objects and to work for harmonious federation of all such institutions.
- (g) To organise educational institutions in the lines of Ancient Rishikula with up-to-date resources for scientific and technical education.

"A" Constitution

The Institute will consist of members of the Executive Committee and Sub-Committees, Honorary Fellows, Research Students, Patrons, Life-Subscribers and Ordinary Subscribers.

It will function through the following departments with separate Sub-Committees, the members of which will consist of some members of the Committee and a few workers competent for the purpose :—

- (a) Research Department.
- (b) Publication Department.
- (c) Library Department.
- (d) Finance Department.
- (e) Propaganda Department.
- (f) Ayurveda Department and
- (g) College Department.

"B" Descriptions

- (a) There shall be members of Ex-Committee (not more than 36 and not less than 25) and members of the Sub-Committees controlling the affairs of the seven departments (every Sub-Committee will be composed of not less than 12 and not more than 24 persons).
- (b) Honorary Fellows—persons, eminent for their knowledge of, or contributions to the study of Indian Culture and Civilisation may be elected by the Institute as Honorary Fellows but their number shall not at any time exceed 36. No subscription shall be due from the Honorary Fellows, but they shall have to contribute, free of charges their intellectual products to the Institute and will get free copies of publications.
- (c) *Research Students*—The number shall be unlimited. Any student who will be deemed competent for any particular subject by the Research Sub-Committee, may be admitted as a Research Student on an application being made on a printed form and on payment of an annual fee of Rs. 12/-. The students will be guided in their work by the Research Sub-Committee and will get remuneration on publication of their Research results, the amount of which may be decided by the Research Sub-Committee and ultimately by the Executive Committee. Every Research Student will get one copy per month of the particular series of publication in which he is interested.
- (d) *Patrons*—Any person who is in sympathy with the aims and objects of the Institute and pays a donation of Rs 500/- or over to the Institute, will be registered as a Patron. A patron will get all the publications of the Institute free of charges during his life-time. If he pays more than Rs. 1000/- he may get if he so desires, two copies of every publication during his life time.
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"C" Privileges of members of the Executive Committee and Sub-Committees, Patrons, Research Students, Honorary Fellows and Life-Subscribers.

They will be entitled to the following rights and privileges :—

- (a) To introduce visitors to the grounds and public rooms of the Institute.
- (b) To have personal access to the library and other public rooms of the Institute and to examine its collections.
- (c) To take part in the General Meetings.
- (d) To take out books, drawings, plates and manuscripts from the Library, subject to such restrictive regulations, as may from time to time be determined by the Executive Committee.

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- (e) To receive free of charges, copies of the Journals of the Indian Research Institute, reports of the Institute and other publications.

The Research Students and the Life-Subscribers can not get more than one Series of publications at a time.

The Ordinary Subscribers shall be entitled to privileges (a) (b) and (c) and will get at a reduced rate the publications of the Institute and receive gratis the reports of the Institute.

"D" Scheme of work.

1. The following series of Literature may be published simultaneously :—
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 - (b) Philosophical Series (constisting of the best products of all the systems.)
 - (c) Smriti Series (including Puranas, Dharmashastras, etc.)
 - (d) Buddhistic series.
 - (e) Jaina Series.
 - (f) Indian Positive Sciences Series (consisting of Indian chemistry, physics, mathematics, astronomy etc.)
 - (g) Ayurveda Series.
 - (h) Indian Sociology Series (consisting of Indian Law, History, Economics etc.)
 - (i) Fine Arts Series.
 - (j) Miscellaneous (exegetic works on Indian culture).
2. Each fasciculus containing not less than 112 pages and not more than 128 pages of every series is expected to be published every month.
3. The literature on every series should be published consecutively, exhaustively and chronologically.
4. Every book would contain an elaborate and critical introduction in English dwelling upon the life and date of the author with a historical back-ground, the subject-matter of the book and a comparative review of it. The introductory part may be in one fasciculus. Next would follow in the first half the Sanskrit or Pali original with a running annotation of difficult words in English and an English translation. In the Second half there would be Hindi and Bengali translations of the originals. Every translation will be followed by critical and explanatory notes,
5. There may be a general editor and a board of editors of every series.
6. The following other activities may be carried on :—
 - (a) To hold classes on Ancient Indian Literature.
 - (b) To open free reading room.
 - (c) To popularise the Ancient Indian Culture by public lectures in different places.
 - (d) To read and discuss learned Articles on Indian Culture.

"E" Rules for formation of Centres and Branches in different places.

1. Centres and Branches may be established in different cities and moffusil-towns to carry out the aims and objects of the Institute. Every branch shall have a Working Committee of its own, composed of workers of the locality (numbering not less than 6 and not more than 12) who would be guided by the Central Executive Committee.
2. Branches may also be started to carry out a part of the Scheme.
3. Arrangements may be made with the already-existing institutions to make researches and publish the works of some particular branch of the Indian Literature.

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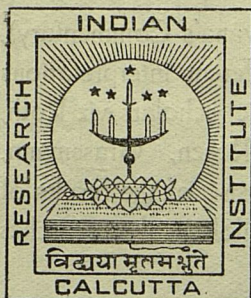
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- (I) The Text, with the accent marks, Sakalya's Padapatha, Sayanacharya's Commentary, extracts from other ancient Indian commentators viz Skandaswamin, Venkatamadhava, Gunavishnu, Anandatirtha etc., (most of which are not available in the market), explanatory and critical notes in Sanskrit, and variant readings.

- (2) English translation (in the light of Sayana's Commentary), critical notes embodying among others, different interpretations of great European and American Vedic scholars viz Roth, Pischel, Langlois, Geldner, Ludwig, Rosen, Grassmann, Bloomfield etc., together with a synopsis of the results of historical, geological, archæological and philological researches of eminent Indologists.
- (3) Hindi translation (in the light of Sayana's commentary) with short explanatory notes and viewpoints of other interpreters viz Dayananda saraswati etc.
- (4) Bengali translation (in the light of Sayana's commentary) with requisite explanatory notes.

Besides, there shall be critical and elaborate Introductions in Sanskrit, English, Hindi and Bengali embodying all the researches into the Vedic literature.

In order to make it obtainable by one and all, a very moderate price has been fixed and subscribership system has been introduced. Each fasciculus containing all the above four portions will be of not more than 128 pages and of not less than 100 pages. The annual subscription has been fixed at Rs 12/- (excluding postage) and half-yearly subscription at Rs 6/- (excluding postage). Every subscriber will be entitled to the Sanskrit, English and either of the vernacular portions (Hindi or Bengali), each of which will be printed in separate formes. He is also entitled to certain other privileges as detailed in the Rules and Regulations.

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Dated the 12th March '33.

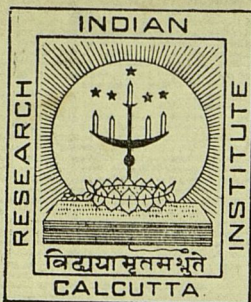
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AN APPEAL

The present is but an expression and extension of the past. To understand the present, we have to go back into the past and a just appreciation of the legacies of the Past entails a reckoning up of its treasures. The past helps us to understand the present and to mould the future. India has a glorious creative past—a past rich in varied products of the human intellect. Centuries have come and gone and still it is unfolding its treasures to the eager seekers day to day. The masterly systems of Scholastic thoughts, thousands of years after their birth are still the wonder and admiration of this intellect-ridden age. As usual with progressive civilization, the early Indian mind was not confined to eager searches after the Absolute Truth, it also travelled into the realms of Positive and Natural Sciences like Mathematics, Astronomy, Chemistry, Botany, Medicine etc., and has bequeathed to us rich contributions which at least in some aspects are still unexplored.

In order to awaken a widespread interest in those magnificent products of Ancient Indian Culture and Civilisation which are not appreciated in the true spirit in the present day due to their being recorded in a language not easily intelligible to the ordinary men and women, the Indian Research Institute has been formed with a strong Executive Committee representing various Schools of Thought. It will aim to work in fields trodden by institutions like Asiatic Society of Bengal, the Buddhist Text Book Society, the Calcutta University, the Bangiya Sahitya Parisad, the Sanskrit Sahitya Parisad and other learned bodies that have been able to cope with but small portion of the works and much yet remains to be done. The Institute will try to supplement and not supplant the works of these Institutions. There shall be simultaneous researches and publications embodying their results in several hitherto untrodden spheres. At present it has undertaken the publication of the Vedic Series beginning with the Rig-Veda Samhita—the oldest product of human civilisation, the Ayurveda Series—a field in which little research work has been attempted so far, the Philosophical Series beginning with the Vedanta and the Jain Series. A monthly research Journal is also expected to be out shortly. Though there are some editions of the Rig-Veda—most of them are out of print or too costly or too literal to be of much practical utility. The Institute aims at the publication of a fairly critical and moderately priced edition so that the Vedas can be obtainable by one and all at a reasonable cost.

The Rig Veda consists of critical introductions by eminent Indologists the Text (with accent marks) Padapatha, Sayana's commentary, extract from other ancient Indian commentators, variant readings, and translations in English, Hindi and Bengali (in the light of Sayan's commentary) with scholarly and critical notes showing other interpretations and researches of Vedic scholars. A fasciculus containing not less than 100 pages and not more than 128 pages will be issued every month on the subscription system at the rate of Rs. 12/- per annum, (excluding postage). The Vedanta Sutra will consist of sutras, the commentaries of twelve different schools (e.g. Sankara, Ramanuja, Madhwa, Vaikhanasa, Srikara etc.) and critical and comparative studies in them.

To carry out this objective, it is needless to point out that ungrudging services of men and supply of money are required. We are confident that these shall not be found wanting in such a noble cause in the pious knowledge-loving land of Hindusthan. The public are requested to help the Institute by becoming subscribers and Patrons. Voluntary contributions and donations will also be thankfully received by the Secretary and duly acknowledged in the papers.

Sd/-

(Sir) Deva Prasad Sarvadhikary,
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Satis Chandra Seal and others.

From

Sir Deva Prasad Sarvadhikary, Kt.,
President of the Indian Research Institute.

To

Professor K. Nicholas Roerich, Esq.,
Naggar,
Kulu, Punjab.

Dear Sir,

May I be permitted to bring to your notice the claims of the recently established Indian Research Institute of which I have the privilege to be the President. Connected papers setting out the constitution and rules of the Institute are enclosed for your information.

Your wellknown interest in the cultural conservation and progress of India which has found generous support at your hands in many directions encourages me and my committee to hope that this new venture will not fail to find support. "India—what it can teach us" used to be the burthen of the final admonition to members of the Indian Civil Service by distinguished and influential teachers like Prof. Max Muller not very long ago and this yielded fairly good results. The evil effort of waning influence of real Indian culture has been painfully felt of late at home as well as abroad in spite of seemingly increasing re-action in its favour.

One of the real defects and difficulties of the situation is the want of dependable—yet cheap and acceptable editions of the Sacred Literature of India and the object of our Institute is to try to remedy this defect as far as possible within our extremely limited resources. This need—steadily increasing—

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struck me with great force as a member of the Intellectual Co-operation Committee of the Geneva League of Nations Assembly three years ago when representatives of fifty-four peoples of the world frankly and generously admitted that India had great contributions to make that would be of help to the western people and the western civilization if properly conveyed be- times. Efforts so long unavailing are about to bear fruit and many Societies have been started all over the country to assist in the propagation of Indian learning and culture which are appreciated by you.

The first efforts of my Institute have been directed towards publication of the Rig Vedas on a fasciculus system under the superintendence and editorship of competent scholars. There are besides the texts and padapathas, Sayana's commentaries and English, Hindi, and Bengali translations with explanatory and critical notes in different parts. The sample copy herewith enclosed will shew the scope and the size of the work which will be completed with the utmost possible expedition. This publication will be followed by others in quick succession, scheme for which, is being already matured.

It is needless for me to point out that such a large undertaking can not succeed and prosper without adequate public support. Patronage of influential leaders of thought, like your-self, would be of the utmost help to us and we venture to bespeak it with all the earnestness that we can command.

Awaiting a favourable response

THE INDIAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE
55, UPPER CHITPORE ROAD,

Calcutta, 13th March 1934.

Yours Faithfully,

Devabansu Sanyal

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NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

March 27, 1934

The Honorary Secretary
The Indian Research Institute
55 Upper Chitpore Road
CALCUTTA

Dear Sir,


I beg to acknowledg with thanks receipt of your letter of the 13th inst., together with two copies of your Journals.

As Prof. de Roerich and Dr. Georges de Roerich have both left for Europe and the United States, I can but communicate your lines to him to New-York, but as Prof. de Roerich is visiting many places in the USA it will be some long time until your letter will reach him.

In the meantime we wish to state, that this Institute shall be very glad to enter into an exchange of publications and on hearing from you, we shall be glad to send you the current volume No. III of our Institute's Journal, a table of contents of which is herewith enclosed. If you will please let us know whether you are interested in this exchange, we shall enter your Institute's address into our exchange lists and will then send you further copies as they appear, requesting you to kindly do the same.

In anticipation of your reply

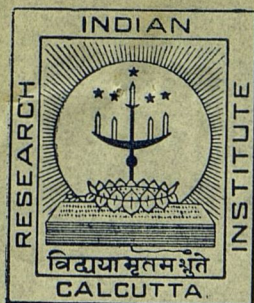
Yours faithfully,



SECRETARY
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PRIVATE SECRETARY
TO H. E. PROF. N. DE ROERICH



The Indian Research Institute

55, Upper Chitpore Road,

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Calcutta 5th April 1934.

To

The Secretary,
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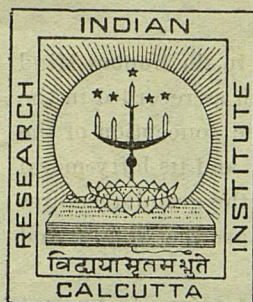
Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter dated 27. 3. 34. We shall be glad to exchange our publications with those of yours. A high class Research Journal undertaken by the Institute, the scheme of which is enclosed herein, is expected to be out by the end of May next, and is in the press. We are ready to exchange this Journal with that of yours and all other publications too will be sent. The Institute expects your kind co-operation on behalf of the furtherance of Indian Culture and Wisdom and requests you to send the 28 publications as given in your list and your Journal from its first volume. The rules etc. of your Institute may also be forwarded. Also please inform me when Prof. Roerich is expected to be back to India.

Yours faithfully,

S. S. S.
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Rawalpindi. March 19, 1934

The Director
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Naggar

Dear Sir,

Last year while I was in New York Dr. Merrill of the New York Botanical Garden suggested that I get in touch with you as I have been working on the flora of this region for more than twenty years and have a large collection. While I was in New York I named for him a large number of the Koltz specimens which I was familiar with. I am particularly interested in Kashmir but have visited Kulru, Lahul, Rupshu,

Ladak etc.

Sincerely yours

R Stewart

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MARCH 27, 1934

Ralph R. Stewart, Esq. Ph.D.
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Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of March 19th addressed to the Director of this Institute. Dr. George de Roerich has left for Europe and the United States in February a.c. and I am consequently writing to him to New-York to inform him of your letter.

We thank you in the meantime for your suggestion of cooperation, and in case any questions arise, we shall be glad to communicate with you further.

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Dear Sir:

Responding to your letter of September 22 I find that we have one specimen of Saussurea gossypiphora from Kashmir and several from Yunnan, and I have some of the Wallich S. obvalata. I shall, however, be very glad to receive any additional specimens of any species that you can supply in this rather perplexing group. Both herbarium specimens and material dried so as to show the form and characters of some of the interesting species that could be used as a museum exhibit would be most welcome.

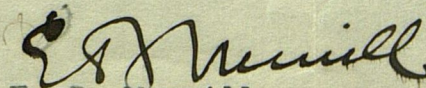
I looked up Koelz 2691 and found that our mounted sheet has on it two specimens, indicating a mixture of material; of the larger specimen with somewhat pinnately lobed leaves I enclose fragments for comparison with your retained specimen; this larger specimen is very different from our Hooker and Thomson specimens of S. tridactyla, and the latter specimen seems to be authentic.

I suspect that the description of S. gossypina in the Flora of British India may perhaps be based on a mixture of material, for the reason that I find here two specimens collected by Hooker and Thomson, both distributed as S. gossypina, one of which is S. sorocephala, and the other is S. sacra. The small plant on the sheet with 2691 Koelz is apparently S. sacra. Your retained specimen may represent still a third form because unless collectors are very critical when gathering specimens of this type, they are apt to mix representatives of different species under a single field number.

I am naturally interested in amplifying our collections of Asiatic material in all groups as a great many known and well-described species are as yet unrepresented in our herbarium. Recent accessions have given us important collections from Yunnan, Szechwan, and parts of Tibet, but certain parts of British India are as yet very inadequately represented.

I shall be very glad to assist you in any way that I can in connection with problems of identification of your material. I have as yet not received a report on certain duplicate material of the Compositae that were sent to Berlin for study from the Koelz collection.

Very truly yours


E. D. Merrill
Director

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