

Basic Report



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Title: W. J. Hooker Receiving Rhododendrons From Local People in Himalaya, 1849 (After a Drawing by Taylor)

Provenance: Purchased from H. M. Fletcher, February 1970; W. J. Hooker until his death when it was left to a near relative and on her death it came into the hands of an antique dealer in the West Country from whom Mr Fletcher purchased it - taken from a letter 2/9/70 from Fletcher to Willis Van Devanter. See xerox in envelope; When Hooker Went to Himalayas to Collect Rhododendrons he wanted Fitch to go with him but because of other commitments he was unable to leave England so another artist, Taylor, went to help with the sketching. Whilst there he drew a pencil sketch of Hooker receiving specimens from the natives, and on their return to England it was Fitch's job to make finished drawings of the sketches Taylor had made. - Dealer note. See xerox of letter in envelope; For Further information on the artist please see xerox of Chapter 20 from Wilfrid Blunt's The Art of Botanical Illustration in envelope.