NOTED GREENAWAY COLLECTION PRESENTED BY MISS HOOPER

We are extremely pleased to announce that Miss Frances Hooper of Kenilworth, Illinois has given the Institute her rich collection of original artworks, books and manuscript materials by Kate Greenaway. Assembled over a period of more than 40 years, the collection is one of the finest and largest of its kind in the world.

Catherine Greenaway (1846-1901) was the daughter of the wood-engraver and draughtsman John Greenaway, whose work appeared in the popular illustrated magazines of the day. Kate's artistic talent was recognized early—she won her first prize at the age of twelve—and she received training in art at the National Art Training School, now the Royal College of Art, and the then newly opened Slade School.

The first of Kate Greenaway's published illustrations were done for a greeting card firm and for children's authors now remembered only by historians. She was an artist, not an illustrator, and her best work is that unrestricted by the text of others. Under the window, illustrated and written by Greenaway, printed by the master color-printer Edmund Evans and published in 1878, established her as an artist of note and extended her influence far beyond just the realm of children's books; her work was and is not for children only. In her own day Greenaway exhibited and sold watercolors at various galleries, including the Royal Academy, and was elected to the Royal Institute of Watercolours. John Ruskin, enchanted by her work, sought her out and they established a close and longlasting friendship. In the last ten years of her life she experimented with oils and on occasion would be asked to do a portrait.

Kate Greenaway was an aesthetic, a part of the art movement that revolved against the Victorian gothic and fore-shadowed the art nouveau of the end of the century. The Greenaway style is graceful and elegant, delicate, with soft, muted colors. By her own direction the pages of a Greenaway book contained a good deal of blank space. In these spaces one often finds a daffodil, a bouquet, a vase of flowers—old fashioned ones—all drawn exquisitely true to nature. And old-fashioned gardens and the quaint countryside are the settings for many a Greenaway scene. In her floral work Greenaway exhibited one of the characteristics of the aesthetic movement—the use of nature in its true form in art. But more than this she was expressing her own love of flowers; along with gardens and children, they are the main elements in her art.

Original watercolor, signed "K.G.," for "Autumn" in Kate Greenaway's ALMANACK FOR 1892, exemplifying the idealized rustic innocence found in much of her work.

Miss Hooper's Greenaway collection includes about 250 original watercolors, drawings, sketches and studies, together with some 160 volumes by Greenaway or illustrated by her. Many of the latter are first editions, including quite a few presentation copies inscribed by Greenaway. The artworks include a number of the original illustrations for her very popular Language of flowers. Another quite significant portion of the collection comprises archival materials: about 550 letters by Greenaway, almost half of them to John Ruskin and most of them charmingly illustrated with small pen-and-ink and watercolor sketches and drawings; and a largely unpublished manuscript journal kept by Greenaway when she was a young woman. Miss Hooper's
collection is enhanced by a great variety of materials about, copied from, or in the spirit of Kate Greenaway's work, together with key works by Ruskin and others with whom she was closely associated.

A selection of items from the Greenaway collection will constitute our major exhibition this fall, marking the formal installation of Miss Hooper's gift. An extensively illustrated catalogue will contain a synoptic inventory of the entire collection, as well as annotated entries for the items displayed. Later on, we plan to produce a detailed catalogue of the full collection, and to publish some of the most interesting manuscript materials in it. Once the collection is fully catalogued, we expect to be able to provide, from time to time and by special arrangement, a travel show drawn from it for exhibition elsewhere in North America. We are indeed grateful that Miss Hooper has chosen the Institute as the permanent repository for her beloved collection, which we hope to make widely and usefully available to scholars and all the many others interested in Kate Greenaway's life, art and times.

DO YOU KNOW "ZANDER"?

Apparently, "Zander" is becoming ever more popular; Dr. Buchheim, our Bibliographer and one of the coauthors of this highly useful reference work, reports that the first printing of the latest (11th) edition has already sold out. In the belief that this book should be still better known, and with pride in a staff member's significant achievement, we are reprinting, with permission, Dr. Frans Staaf's recent review (Taxon 29 (1): 173-174. 1980):

Encke, F. Buchheim, G. Seybold, S., Zander Handwörterbuch der Pflanzenamen. Neubearbeitete und erweiterte 11. Auflage. Verlag Eugen Ulmer, Postfach 1032, 7000 Stuttgart 1, published 25 June 1979, ISBN 3-8001-5009-3, 864 p., cloth, price DM 58. [A new edition of Zander's Handwörterbuch is an event for all those concerned with plant names. The first edition appeared in 1927, the tenth in 1972. This previous edition was the first published after Zander's death by his collaborators Encke and Buchheim. For a review of the tenth edition see Taxon 22: 129-130 (1973); for the ninth edition see Taxon 14:170-171 (1965). The present edition has been further updated by the inclusion of 45 hitherto unlisted genera and 110 species of plants and by the addition of indications of original areas, and the indication of protected plants. The biographical index of authors, greatly enlarged by Buchheim for the 10th edition has again grown through the addition of new authors as well as by the enrichment of the detailed "diagnosis" given for authors. Seybold enlarged his very handy list of Latin epithets and their German translations. In 1973 I suggested that the new Zander deserved wide attention outside the German language area. Its main contents are easily usable because of the use of code designations and easily recognizable abbreviations. By itself the listing of nearly 14,000 correct species names of plants growing in the wild or in cultivation in Central and Western Europe is unique and extremely valuable. There are signs that "Zander" is now also conquering the non-German language areas of the western world and that this again improved and as always neatly produced new edition will become more widely used than ever. Nomenclatural precision and very useful additional information remain the important characteristics of "Zander."]

PENTHOUSE WOODWORK RESTORATION

With the aid of a special Hunt Foundation grant, we recently completed a major restoration of the Penthouse woodwork. The French walnut paneling and all the wood furnishings were cleaned and treated with special solvents, toners and preservatives, the complete process involving a sequence of seven different applications, each hand-rubbed. The work was done by the Irving and Casson—A. H. Davenport Company of Boston under the personal supervision of its president, Mr. Joseph Murphy. We are happy to report that the Penthouse fairly glows now, the results exceeding even our most hopeful expectations.

TRAVEL SHOW PROGRAM

Our ready-to-hang travel shows offer a variety of botanical art and illustration from the Renaissance to the present day, including watercolors, pen-and-ink drawings, pencil sketches and prints of various types. Subjects include Plants in Art, Twentieth Century Botanical Prints, selections from our most recent International Exhibition of Contemporary Botanical Art and Illustration, Decorative Flower and Fruit Arrangements, Roses, Lilies, Flowers of the Redwood Forest, State Flowers, and Shakespeare's Flowers. These shows are available on loan throughout the U.S. and Canada to institutions and other organizations with adequately secure facilities. For a prospectus and further information, and for bookings, please contact the Curator of Art.
DELECTUS HUNTIANI I.
[We here commence a series of historical notes on selected items from the Institute’s permanent collection.]

This engraving is one of over 300 plates done for an ambitious History of Plants begun in the 1670s by the newly-formed Académie Royale des Sciences, which entrusted illustration of the work to Nicolas Robert, the outstanding botanical artist of the 17th century. The work was long delayed by the vicissitudes of Louis XIV’s wars, and final publication with text did not come until 1788, a century after its inception; nevertheless the three magnificent volumes of Recueil des plantes gravée par ordre du roi Louis XIV are counted as landmarks of botanical illustration. Robert did most of the drawings and many of the engravings, and had the collaboration of Abraham Bosse, engraver of the famous Parables that vividly depict life in the France of Molière's century. Drawn from living plants with accuracy and sensitivity, and expertly engraved or etched, these plates are unsurpassed by any botanical illustrations published before the 19th century.

Nicolas Robert had earlier established his reputation with several florilegia, popular albums offering suites of painted or engraved portraits of current garden favorites. In 1641 he had illustrated an album dedicated to a prominent beauty of the day, the famous Guirlande de Julie, which included poems by Corneille, among others. Soon after, Robert was chosen by Gaston d’Orléans, younger brother of Louis XIII, to make paintings on vellum as a permanent record of the plants and animals of his collection at Blois. There, under the influence of the garden’s superintendent, the Scottish botanist Robert Morison, Robert developed the skills as a scientific botanical illustrator that qualified him for the appointment as chief illustrator of the Académie Royale publication.

Louis XIV eventually inherited both paintings and artist, and Robert continued his work, now under royal patronage, at Paris and Versailles. His superb paintings, executed on vellum in finely hatched strokes in the tradition of medieval manuscript illumination, form the nucleus of the remarkable collection of “vêlins” produced over the years by Robert and the official artists (Gerrit van Spaandonck and
P.-J. Redouté among them) who succeeded him. The accumulated paintings (the last produced in 1905) now occupy over 100 volumes in the library of the Museum d'Histoire Naturelle in Paris.

The characteristics that secure Nicolas Robert's position among the great masters in the history of botanical art—his botanical knowledge, clarity and accuracy of draughtsmanship, sensitivity as a designer and facility as an engraver—all are manifest in this Musk melon illustration.

— J.V.B.

In January the catalogue was selected Best in Category (Books) in the 14th Annual Exhibition of Western Pennsylvania Printing, sponsored by the Printing Industry Association of Western Pennsylvania. It has also been chosen as one of only 23 winning entries in the 1980 Midwestern Books Competition, a travelling exhibition which in past years has been shown abroad as well as throughout the United States. Libraries and other institutions wishing to engage this exhibition should contact Lawrence S. Thompson, project director, at the University of Kentucky.

ARCHIVES

Part 1 of our Guide to the collection of botanical records and papers in the Archives of the Hunt Institute is now in press. It covers holdings for persons connected with botany in some way whose surnames begin with A or B. In the entries for persons represented by only one or a few letters in the General Autograph Collection, a précis of each letter is usually provided. Records or sets of papers are given a more summary treatment. Even so, the Guide will provide scholars with a valuable finding aid—an exhaustive index of names, provided with each part. A cumulative index will complete the final part. Part 2 will cover C-F and we anticipate its publication in 1981.

In addition to the Guide, we are also compiling a combined catalogue of the portrait collections at the Institute and at the Linnaean Society of London. Entries for portraits in the latter collection are being supplied by the Society's Librarian, Mr. Gavin Bridson. We also hope to include entries for selected portraits from the collection at the Conservatoire et Jardin Botaniques, Geneva. At present, we are compiling and editing entries for part 1 of the Catalogue, which will cover persons whose surnames begin with the letters A-D. The entries will provide detailed information about the portraits; for example, the entry for a lithograph will cite lithographer, artist, date(s) on which it was drawn and/or lithographed, publisher, date of publication, and location(s) (particularly whether available at Geneva, and/or London, and/or Pittsburgh, and in what forms).

We continue to cooperate with the Department of History at Duquesne University in its graduate Archival, Museum and Editing Studies program. Recently, Dr. Stieber conducted a workshop in the Archives for students in the spring seminar on archival studies. The "hands on" approach of such workshops adds a valuable dimension to archival training. One of the Duquesne students, Ms. Arlyn Sharpe, began an internship at the Institute in late January. When finished in late Spring, she will have prepared 10–20 entries for the second part of the Guide. This internship has been one of historical editing, specifically to prepare précis of letters from the General Autograph Collection, to describe them physically, and to check biographical data on the correspondents. Ms. Sharpe came to us after completing a project at the Carnegie Institute involving the recent "Feather Arts Exhibit" held at their Museum of Natural
History. She will undertake a second internship here later this year, which will involve arranging a small collection of papers, creating finding aids for it, and preparing its entry for the Guide. A graduate of the University of Maryland with a B.A. in anthropology, Ms. Sharpe is a welcome addition, albeit temporary, to the Archives staff.

In October, Dr. Stieber attended the 26th Annual Systematics Symposium at the Missouri Botanical Garden and utilized free time to interview five of the Symposium speakers for the Institute’s Oral History Collection. Those interviewed were W. D. Derek Clayon, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew; Richard W. Pohl, Iowa State University, Ames; G. Ledyard Stebbins, University of California at Davis; J. M. J. de Wet, University of Illinois, Urbana; and Zoraide Luces de Febrer, Instituto Botânico, Caracas, Venezuela. The taped interviews average 30 minutes in length and collateral transcripts are now being edited.

ART

Our current exhibition, “Indian Botanical Paintings,” will continue here through 18 July. From Pittsburgh, it will travel to the Brooklyn Museum for exhibition from 26 July until 1 September and then, early in the fall, to the Chicago Horticultural Society’s Botanic Garden in Glencoe. After its U.S. appearances, the show will be exhibited in London during 1981-1982. It comprises 68 original watercolor paintings selected from the rich collections of such works at the British Museum (Natural History), Linnean Society, India Office Library, and Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. Hundreds of these paintings were done by Indian artists under commission by East India Company officials during the late 18th and early 19th centuries. To the best of our knowledge this is the first public exhibition of any representative selection of them. The show is accompanied by an annotated catalogue with color and black-and-white illustrations and with introductory essays by Stuart Cary Welch of the Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and by Phyllis Edwards, retired Librarian of the Department of Botany, British Museum (Natural History). Miss Edwards, who acted as London coordinator in the preliminary arrangements for the exhibition, attended the preview reception at the Institute in late March. Both the exhibition and catalogue have been very well received, and we have recently had a request to send the show on to Switzerland before it is finally dismantled.

The National Endowment for the Arts has awarded us a grant to assist in preparing a detailed computer-based catalogue of our permanent art collection, which now comprises over 20,000 original works. The catalogue entries will include such information as names, dates and nationalities of artists, dates of execution, Latin and common names of plant subjects, titles, dimensions, media, accession data, etc. For the first time, the public will have ready access to information about the works in our collection via the published form of the catalogue, which will

Watercolor of Lantana from the exhibition "Indian Botanical Paintings."
appear in six sequential parts. There, the main suite of entries will be listed alphabetically by artists’ names and comprehensively indexed by Latin plant names. A final section, organized topically, will cover non-taxonomic works such as garden scenes, horticultural implements and practices, and applied art.

The Institute will be participating in Pittsburgh's “Shakespeare Summer” (26 June - 14 September 1980) by exhibiting “Shakespeare’s Flowers,” 35 watercolor paintings and sketches by the well-known botanical artist Anne Ophelia Dowden. In addition, the Library will exhibit published material, particularly of the 19th century, related to flowers mentioned by Shakespeare. The city-wide festival, sponsored by the Carnegie Institute and Carnegie Library, will be centered around “Shakespeare, The Globe & The World,” an exhibition drawn from the collection of the Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, D.C.

L I B R A R Y

Recent readers and visitors included Dr. Decherd Turner and Mrs. E. L. DeGolyer of the Bridwell Library, Southern Methodist University, which lent several modern design bookbindings for our Fall show. We were pleased that they were able to see their treasures installed in the exhibition. Philip J. Weimerskirch, medical historian and archivist at the Strong Memorial Library of the University of Rochester, came to pursue his bio-bibliographic work on C. A. LeSueur. Smith College printer, Elliott Offner, a recent speaker to the Pittsburgh Bibliophiles, spent a morning working in the collection and discussing many of our color plate works.

Our ever more numerous correspondents and readers have posed some intriguing queries. Besides filling numerous requests from publishers for a variety of illustrations, the staff have assisted Carnegie Museum volunteers in preparing captions for exhibits of medicinal herbs, a doctoral student in archaeology at the University of Pittsburgh in identifying the flora of Jerusalem, and an art historian in tracing floral motifs in textile patterns. They also supplied information on the flora of Nepal for a hiker climbing Mr. Annapurna, and the scientific name of the Kuigi tree for a traveler to Aruba.

We are currently submitting records of our journal holdings for the impending second edition of the Pittsburgh Regional Library Center’s Union List of Serials. Like the first edition, published in 1973, this revision will provide regional access to the Library’s periodical collection, which includes items unique in the area.

Notable recent gifts include three works, on herbs, alchemy and Egyptian natural history, from Dr. Richard Howard: two rare editions of herbals, C. Durante’s Herbario, published in Venice in 1667, and Prosper Alpinus’ De plantis Aegypti... published in Leiden in 1735; and a curious collection of tracts on alchemy entitled Musaeum hermeticum, published in Leipzig and Frankfurt in 1749. Other additions to the collection are the long-awaited volumes of


LINNAEAN SYMPOSIUM VOLUME IN PRESS

With Almqvist & Wiksell International of Stockholm, the Institute is copublishing a volume of papers presented at the 1978 symposium held in London, Uppsala and Stockholm to mark the bicentenary of Linnaeus’ death. The work is entitled Linnaeus: Progress and prospects in Linnaean research and has been edited by Dr. Gunnar Broberg of the University of Uppsala. All in English, the articles cover a broad range of topics relating to Linnaeus and his work. Among those included is the paper by Drs. Lawrence and Kiger, the Institute’s founding and present directors, on “Linnaeus and the computer.” It describes the genesis, production and make-up of the forthcoming Catalogue of the Strandell Collection of Linnaeana at the Hunt Institute, compiled and edited by Dr. Lawrence and Dr. Birger Strandell of Stockholm.

The volume should be available by fall—in the Western Hemisphere from the Institute, elsewhere from Almqvist & Wiksell. The Institute will have only 100 copies available for sale and is accepting advance orders, with billing on delivery. The U.S. retail price has been set tentatively at $49.50.
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Exhibition catalogue with introductory essays by Stuart Cary Welch, Curator of Hindu and Muslim Paintings, Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, and Special Consultant for Islamic Art, The Metropolitan Museum of Art; and by Phyllis I. Edwards, formerly Botany Librarian, British Museum (Natural History). Preface by John V. Brindle.

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