

post he held until November, 1903, when he was appointed Assistant to the Director of Agriculture, British East Africa (*K.B.*, 1903, p. 31). He was promoted to the post of Chief of the Economic Plants Division in April, 1907. Mr. Powell sent numerous dried plants from St. Vincent to the Herbarium, and during his long service in British East Africa he contributed several collections to the establishment, including a new species of *Boscia* (*B. Powellii*, Sprague & M. L. Green), which was described in the *Kew Bulletin*, 1913, 178. The Library is indebted to him for a set of 4 volumes of *The East Africa Quarterly*, 1904-07.

The Old Linnean Garden at Upsala.—The new Swedish Linnean Society, as a most important aim for its efforts, has decided to restore Linnaeus' botanical garden. This little place, the pride of Linnaeus and famous at his time, was abandoned on the establishment of the new garden more than a hundred years ago, and was allowed to fall into decay. The conservatories were later used as an archæological museum and Linnaeus' house was occupied by the Director of Music at the University.

The garden is now being restored to the original plan, and will be planted only with species grown there by Linnaeus himself. The work has been completed in its general outline, and the garden was opened to the public last May. Linnaeus' house, where he died, will be converted into a museum as a memorial of him which will be supplementary to his country house at Hammarby, familiar to several British botanists. Fortunately his personal belongings have remained in the hands of his few descendants, and it has been possible for the Society to acquire a rich collection, including furniture, porcelain, clothes, etc., so that it is hoped that the old house, which has been left practically untouched, will give a good idea of the surroundings in which he lived and worked. Upsala will no longer be in want of a memorial worthy of its greatest son.

The necessary funds are being collected among members of the Society. Dr. R. Sernander and Dr. O. Juel, Professors of Botany, have taken great pains to find out all the details of the old garden and of its contents. The place is now in charge of Professor N. Svedelius.

The General Secretary of the Linnean Society of London has undertaken to forward to Sweden any contributions towards the restoration of the garden that may be made by British botanists.

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Amphichromy in heather.—An interesting plant of *Calluna vulgaris* showing purple- and white-flowered inflorescences on the same stock was received last year from Mr. Dyson Perrins, Ardross Castle, by Alness, N.B., who found it on a grouse "moor" in the neighbourhood. In the same plant some of the inflorescences have flowers of the normal purple (or more correctly pale magenta)



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