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12 Kenwood Close
Kent Road
Kew.

7 April 1970

Dear Baki,

Very many thanks for the lovely
tie, which I have worn today
on my 86th birthday.

66 years ago today I arrived
at Kew and started work in the
Arboretum, where I remained until
the next year, and then entered the Herbarium.

Much has happened since then!

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely

J. Hutchinson

Received
Dec. 12, 1970
from the other

Dr. Peter H. Raven,
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have in America - making for strength, as it
did in Britain long ago.

It was a great pleasure to meet
and become friends with you.

My people send their kindest regards,

Yours ever sincerely

J. Hutchinson

12 Kenmore Close, Kent Road, New, Surrey,
30 Aug, 1970. England

Dear Baki,

I was sorry not to see you again after
Edinburgh, which we enjoyed very much.

It went off remarkably well. Joan and I
went by car and we stayed at the village
of Wark, ^{on Tyne} en route, where I saw the light -
the light of day, not a religious one!

Our splendid weather has continued
right through August, and we hope for
a fine September.

Tomorrow morning we hope to meet my
eldest daughter and her husband from
Cape Town. They will be here for two
months - with trips to Edinburgh and
the Continent.

The Academic Press have sold over a
thousand of my Bot. & Mycol., so must have
paid for itself already. They are keen to get
my second on Monocots, on enquiring they replied
that there will be no need to go 'that is' home
with the ms!

The news is official out that Hedley Harrison
has been appointed Director of Kew. I hope
he will be a success.

I am very busy on vol. III of my
Genera, and have nearly completed a new
edition of my Families. Thank'd chances
for certain Arm-chair Botanists to find faults!

van Regen, from Honolulu, is here for a
few weeks; a nice fellow, turned American
from Holland. What a mixture you must

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due, the doctor at length found out, to lack
of Calcium. She is nearly well again
with the necessary medicine.

He had very severe weather after
Christmas, but not many fogs.

I will look forward to seeing you
at Kew again.

With kindest regards,

Yours ever sincerely

J. Butcherin

12 Kenmore Close, Kent Road,
Kew, Richmond, Surrey.
14 January 1971

My dear Baki,

We were so pleased to have your card and note just before Christmas. "Getagenarians" are apt to be forgotten these days.

To our surprise we woke up to a White Christmas, and it was a lovely day which ^{we} spent at home in our cosy flat. No ~~doubt~~ doubt someone's prayers were answered!

In a week's time I am going to the Oxford Press with a 3rd. edition of my Families of Flowering Plants; no change to speak of in the system, but I have put in a short essay about each Order (Reihe) (not family) for the benefit of students, and 67 new drawings to replace some rather poor ones done over 50 years ago!

The Herbarium staff has switched over from a geographical to a taxonomic basis, i.e., each of the senior members will be responsible for one or 2 floors of families. It was like that when I entered the Herbarium, and soon I had nearly a quarter of it to look after, lay in and name. Now it takes 5 or 6 to do the same work - Parkinson's law over & over again!

My wife and Joan send their very best wishes. My wife went to bed after Christmas with a painful back,

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Most interested in seeing an exhibit of tobacco
plants raised from fallen spores, perfect flowers
as well.

I see very little of Hutchings, for he works
a good deal at home, no doubt with serious of paper
on a new edition.

My wife and Joan send their kindest regards,
with many thanks for the packet of tea which
arrived intact with no custom's charges.

Yours ever sincerely,

J. Hutchinson

And
Glad to hear of your
in £17.50
last 1/2 year's
sale!

12 Kenmore Close, Kent Road, Ken,
Richmond, Surrey.
10 May 1971.

My dear Butei,

Oh to be in England, and that Spring is here!
The weather is now glorious and the trees around
the Green are in full flower.

And today my wife and I are off into
the Cotswold country (west of Oxford) to stay
on a farm for a few days.

My 87th birthday passed very happily;
many cards, including one from the *Stefanion*
with 85 signatures, and recorded in the
"Times" amongst a few other distinguished
people, some of ^{whom} ~~whom~~ I had never even heard!

We are now only 3 weeks away from the
advent of a new director, Heslop Harrison.

Incidentally he will be the 8th I have seen
alive - Hooker (relied), Thistlethorpe, Bram,
Hill, Salisbury, G. Evans (2 years), Taylor & Heslop-
Harrison. I hope the new man will be an
improvement on the last three. Had they been
plants I would have placed them in a
reduced group near the bottom of my phylogenetic
tree!

Nikhe Redhead is also returning at the same
time, and I hope his successor will be a
good one.

My wife has ^{had} trouble with her back, due
to the lack of calcium, but is otherwise keeping
fairly well.

Joan's pet hedgehog died of enteritis
about 3 months ago, but she has now obtained
a young one which seems very promising. She
just loves all animals.

I found you were at the Royal Society's Anniversary
last year. I was there last week, and was

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last winter. we are horrified to hear of the earthquake
in Iran, and the great loss of life. It seems a
weak part of the ~~old~~ old world, in line with
the Rift Valley in Africa.

Our new director is a nice fellow, but I fear
not interested in Taxonomy. He is well and
has been invited to Hawaii by Prof. Theobald.

My wife & daughter send their
kind regards to you & yours.

Ever yours sincerely
J. Hutchinson

12 Kenmore Close, Kent Road,
Kew, Richmond, Surrey, England.

10 April 1972

My dear Baker,

It was most kind of you to remember my birthday and to send a packet of tea. We had most of our descendants to tea on the following Sunday, and they were very interested in your present.

We are both well, also Joan, though my wife (now 86) is not quite so well, especially her memory.

No, I have not completed a companion volume to the Monocots, though I have done about 70 drawings. I have been concentrating on vol. 3 of my Genera. If you hear of me being put away behind bars, it will be due to the family Macarostomataceae! It is a most natural and climax group and in consequence the genera are terribly difficult. You have most of them in S. America. McVaugh is doing the tribe Myrtaceae of Myrtaceae, and is coming over the first week in June. Last year we had G.C. Smith and Bassett Maguire, and I much enjoyed their company.

You will be pleased to hear that Evol. & Phylog. has sold very well and brought me in nearly £2,000 already. A third edition of my Families of K. Plants is now in the press at Oxford, and I did a coloured jacket for it. I will present a copy to you when it appears, perhaps by the early winter. I have just completed the Index from the galley proofs, which took me 5 solid days to compile.

My Penguin Books of wild flowers has been sold out and has been taken over by an enterprising firm in Devon. They are enlarging the drawings (809) and text by photography, and putting them in a stiff book, with a coloured jacket. It should give it new life, though I like to think that the paper back is in over 1/2 million British homes.

I wonder if you met Miss Adina Harper in the Herbarium. Since Xmas she has had several operations, and died in hospital a fortnight ago - Cancer in the bowels! She is a great loss.

Spring is now here after a long and very

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I'm so pleased to hear your
two sons are doing so well -
I certainly remember Danzal
coming along to see the boat
race - you have two fine boys,
and I know my father & mother
enjoyed meeting you all.

Once again, many thanks for
all your kindness & a very happy
1973
Sincerely Joan [Hutchinson]

12, Kenmore Close
Kent Road
Kew, Surrey
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15.1.73.

Dear Baki & Elisabeth,

How very kind of you both
to write to my mother and me
at Christmas - it was very
much appreciated. I'm afraid,
however, I have to tell you
that my dear little mother
died a week after my
father - she had been
ill for some time and
the only blessing was that
she knew nothing of my
father's death. It was a
dreadful time and I
miss them both so much.

My father was awarded
the O.B.E. in the Birthday
Honours in June but died
before he could receive
it personally at Buckingham
Palace. They have now sent
it on to me.