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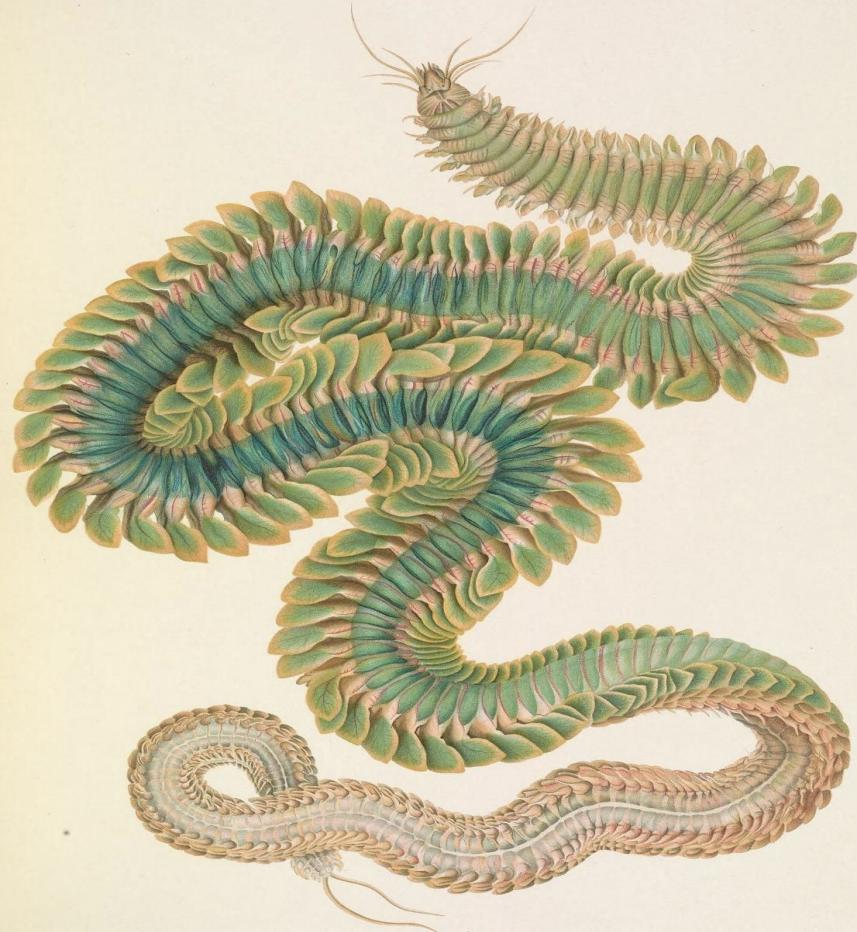


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Wikipedia article!

Elinor Frances Vallentin

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Elinor Frances Vallentin (formerly **Nichol**; (née **Bertrand**)^[1] (1873, Falkland Islands – 1924, Plympton, Devon)^[2] was a British botanist and botanical illustrator who made scientifically significant collections of botany specimens in the [Falkland Islands](#). She co-authored the book *Illustrations of the flowering plants and ferns of the Falkland Islands* in 1921 with [Enid Mary Cotton](#), a fellow botanist. This work was regarded as being particularly valuable because of Vallentin's botanical illustrations.

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Plant collecting [edit]

Vallentin grew up at [Roy Cove](#) and at Shallow Bay in [West Falkland](#)^[3]. While living there she collected and studied the plant life in the surrounding area.^[4] From November 1909 to March 1911 she collected numerous specimens from various sites on West Falkland,^[5] which are now held at the [British Museum, Royal Botanical Gardens, Kew](#) and the [Manchester Museum](#). She also assembled collections of seaweeds that were particularly valuable scientifically. She collaborated with [Arthur Disbrowe Cotton](#), supplying him with specimens, and enabling him to undertake the first comprehensive study of [Cryptogams](#) from the Falkland Islands.^[4]

Elinor Frances Vallentin	
Born	1873 Falkland Islands
Died	1924 Plympton, Devon
Other names	Elinor Frances Bertrand
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Dear Professor Dr. Hentschel,

I am currently undertaking research for the Biodiversity Heritage Library in anticipation of a social media campaign for International Womens Day. While undertaking this research I have come across the botanical illustrator May Rivers. She illustrated the book "The Fruit Grower's Guide" by John Wright see <https://biodiversitylibrary.org/page/18818962>. She is the granddaughter of the notable English horticulturalist Thomas Rivers and daughter of his son Thomas Francis Rivers. I have collated as much information as I can find on her in Wikidata see <https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q60483111>. Unfortunately I have been unable to locate her birth and death dates. I am aware that is it possible she is discussed in the book "The Rivers Nursery of Sawbridgeworth" by Elizabeth Waugh but I do not have access to this publication. Images of her work can be found here. https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:May_Rivers I hope this is sufficient for her to be added to your database.

Good luck with DSI moving to a new server and I hope that this proceeds smoothly.

Best regards





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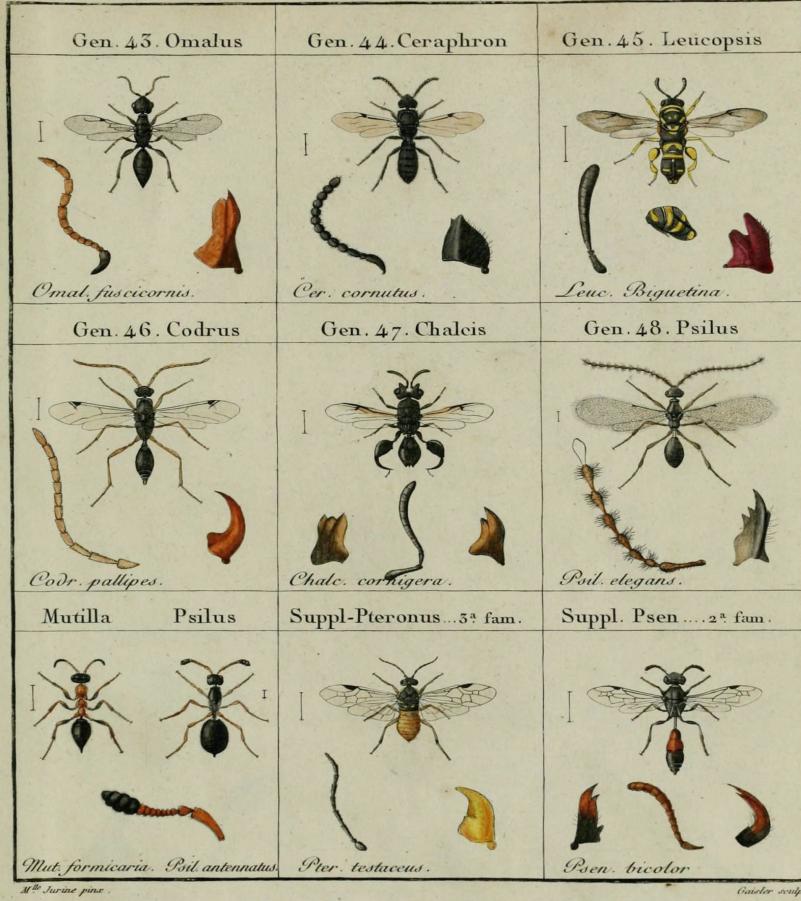
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