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Herbarium	Natural History Museum (BM)
Collection	Plant Collectors
Resource Type	Reference Sources
Contributor	Natural History Museum (BM)
First name(s)	Johann Anton
Last name	Schmidt
Initials	J.A.
Life Dates	1823 - 1905
Collecting Dates	1848 - 1891
Specification	Plant collector
Groups collected	Spermatophytes
Organisation(s)	HBG (main), AWH (currently BR), B, BR, C, E, FI, FR, G, GOET, K, KIEL, L, LE, MB, MO, OXF, PR, PRC, W
Countries	West African Islands: Cape VerdeEurope: Germany
Associate(s)	Döllinger, Andreas (fl. 1822)(co-collector)
Biography	German botanist from Hamburg who trained at the University of Heidelberg (1848-1849) and subsequently (1849-1850) at the University of Göttingen (Dr. phil., 1850). He made an important expedition to the Cape Verde Islands (1851-1852) where he collected a number of new taxa. Returning to Germany, he made his living as a lecturer in Heidelberg (1852-1863), and wrote a local flora of the region. Schmidt later moved to Hamburg, where he was a private scholar (1863-1904), and eventually died at Elberfeld near Hamburg. He should not be confused with several similarly named plant collectors and other botanists. Specimens commonly attributed to him from Senegal (1821-1822) and distributed by F.W. Sieber must have been made by another J. Schmidt.
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