



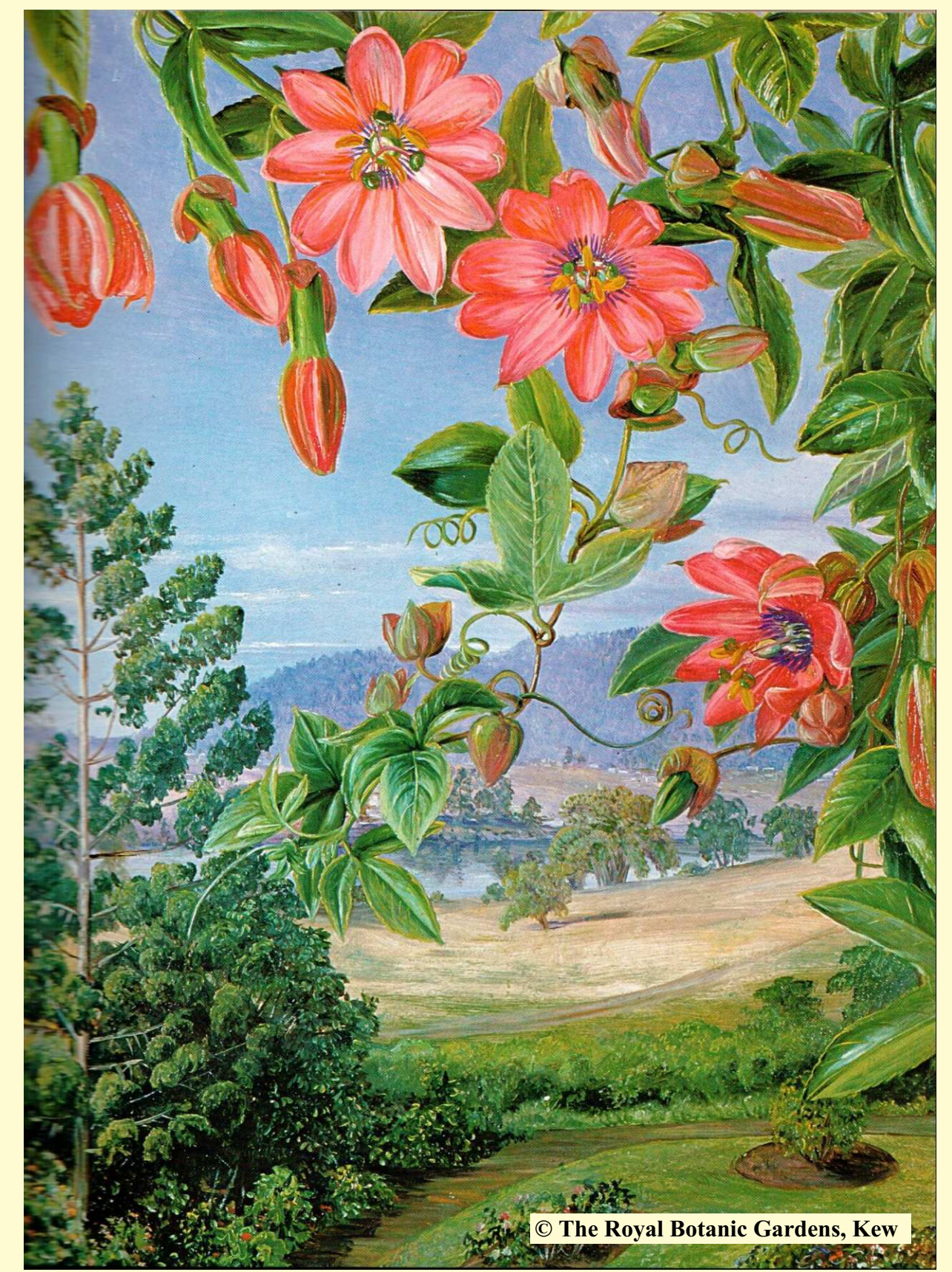
Australia was the main focus of this trip but Marianne took the opportunity of visiting Borneo again on the way :- *“Charles Darwin, who wanted to see me, but could not climb my stairs. He was, in my eyes, the greatest man living, the most truthful, as well as the most unselfish and modest, always trying to give others rather than himself the credit of his own great thoughts and work. He seemed to have the power of bringing out other people's best points by mere contact with his own superiority. I was much flattered at his wishing to see me, and when he said he thought I ought not to attempt any representation of the vegetation of the world until I had seen and painted the Australian, which was so unlike that of any other country, I determined to take it as a royal command and to go at once.”*



Flowers and butterflies, Sarawak (North coast of Borneo)



The Turong Bird or Pigeon Orchid, Sarawak



The Botanic Gardens, Brisbane, Australia



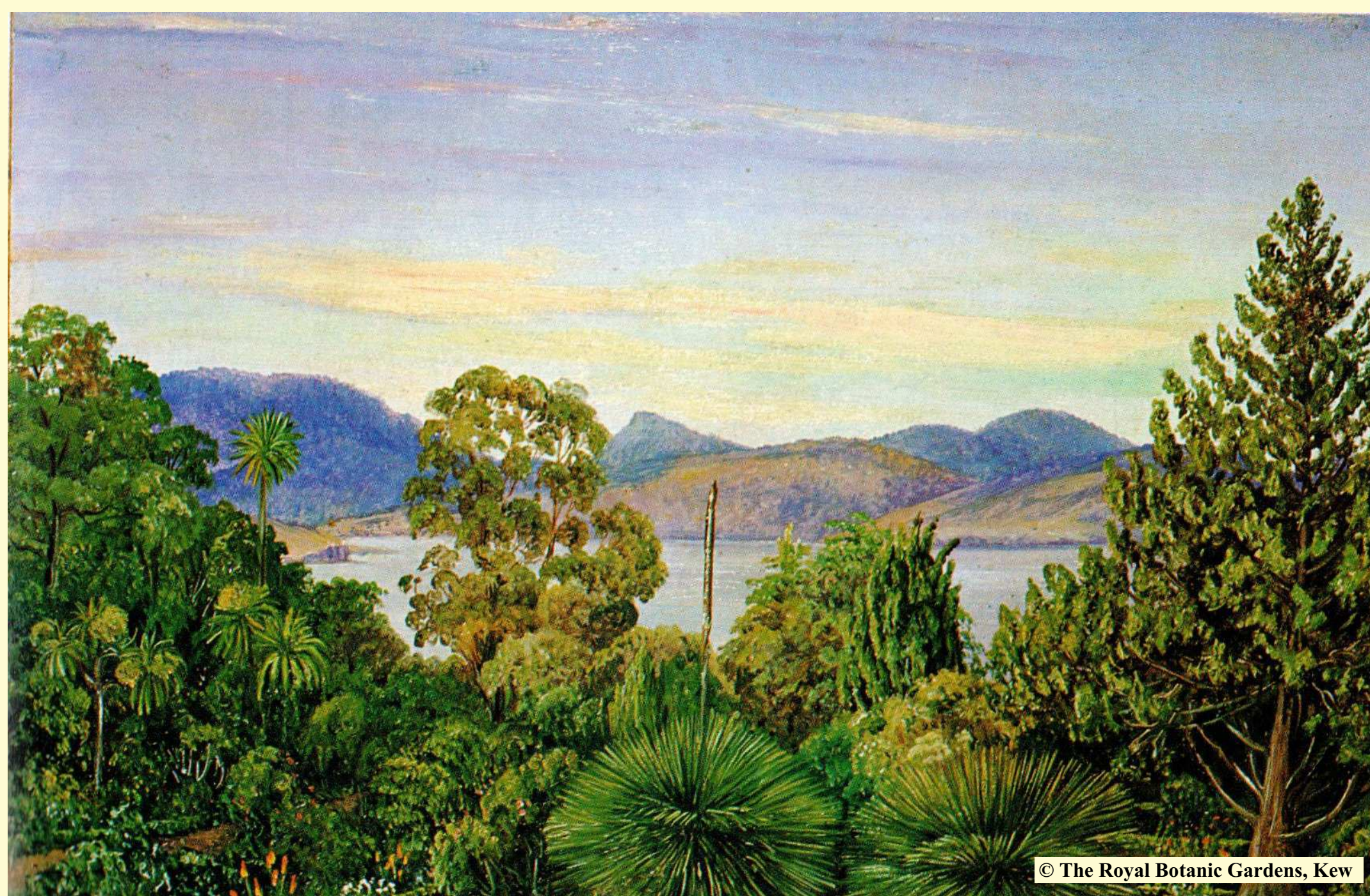
Coachmans Whip Bird and Nest



White Gums (Eucalytus) and a Koala in the fork of the tree on the left



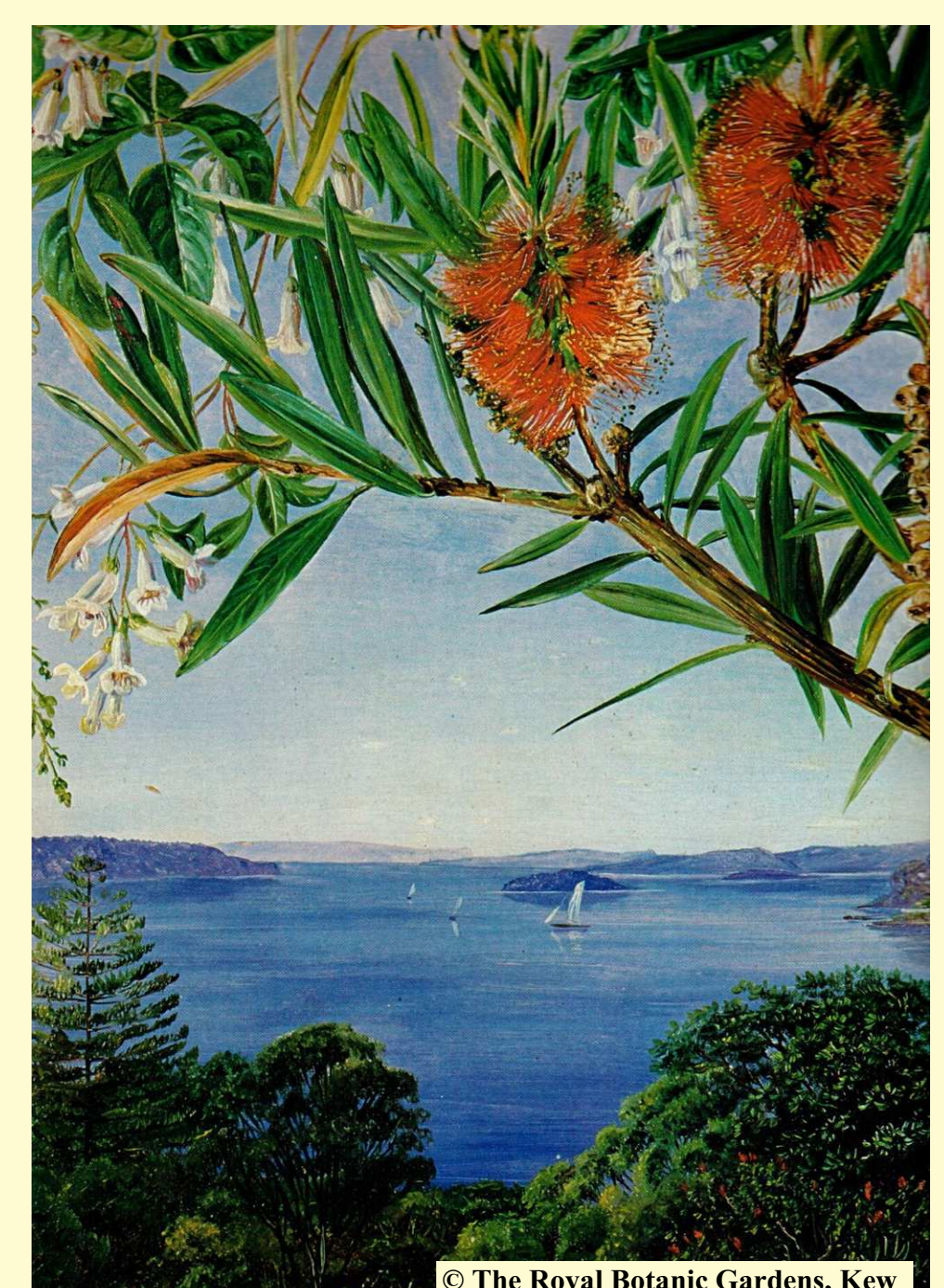
Koalas and a Wooden Pear



The Botanic Gardens, Hobart, Tasmania

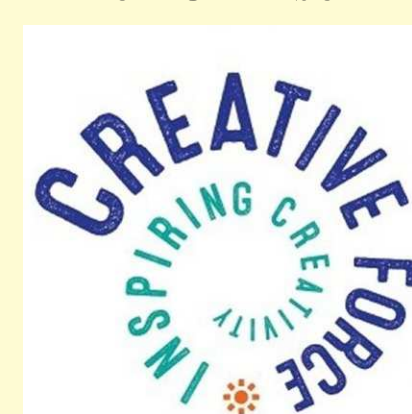


A West Australian shrub, Kangaroo-Paw or Crimson Bottle Brush



Sydney Harbour with a Wonga-Wonga Vine

Of one of her fellow travelers she observed : *“That strange mortal, Baron M. (a Eussian), came on board in search of some promised skulls which had not arrived, and though said to be a woman-hater, he did me the honour of carrying my bag. He had the reputation of being a real cannibal and enjoying a human feast. He asked me which hotel I was going to : "Good ? No ! The most hateful hole in the universe, and the woman a demon. Quiet ? Yes ! Very quiet, with eighty men all eating and talking at once. Beastly food and rooms, but he believed it would do for a lady !”*



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