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FIELD COLUMBIAN MUSEUM

16-38

No 8150

Country

Br. Guiana

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People

Locality

Name

Split bamboo sieves for
cassava and farina

Collection

J. J. Welch. Conn. Tr. C. E.
(over)

Where Placed

Case 16.

(8150.7-8-9) Ex. Storage

Notes

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Sent Nat. Mus. Wash. ex.

Acc. 757, April, 30, 1901

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1, 2, 8, 13, 14, ~~10~~, not exch. 1918
7, 8, 9 exchanged 1901
4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 14 exch. 1918

After the cassava has been strained through the long strainer and the poisonous juices extracted it is removed in a hard dry mass and broken into a sieve where it is sifted to a fine flour. These sieves are excellent pieces of workmanship. They are made like all fine basket-work, of even, regular splints of maranta. Ischnosiphon known as iturite by the natives. The framework is made of rectangularly crossed sticks. The technique is a twill, but the splints are left at equal distances apart so that interstices of equal size are left between them. Through these interstices the flour sifts. Frequently some of the strands are dyed black and manipulated so as to give a geometrical pattern. Pi