

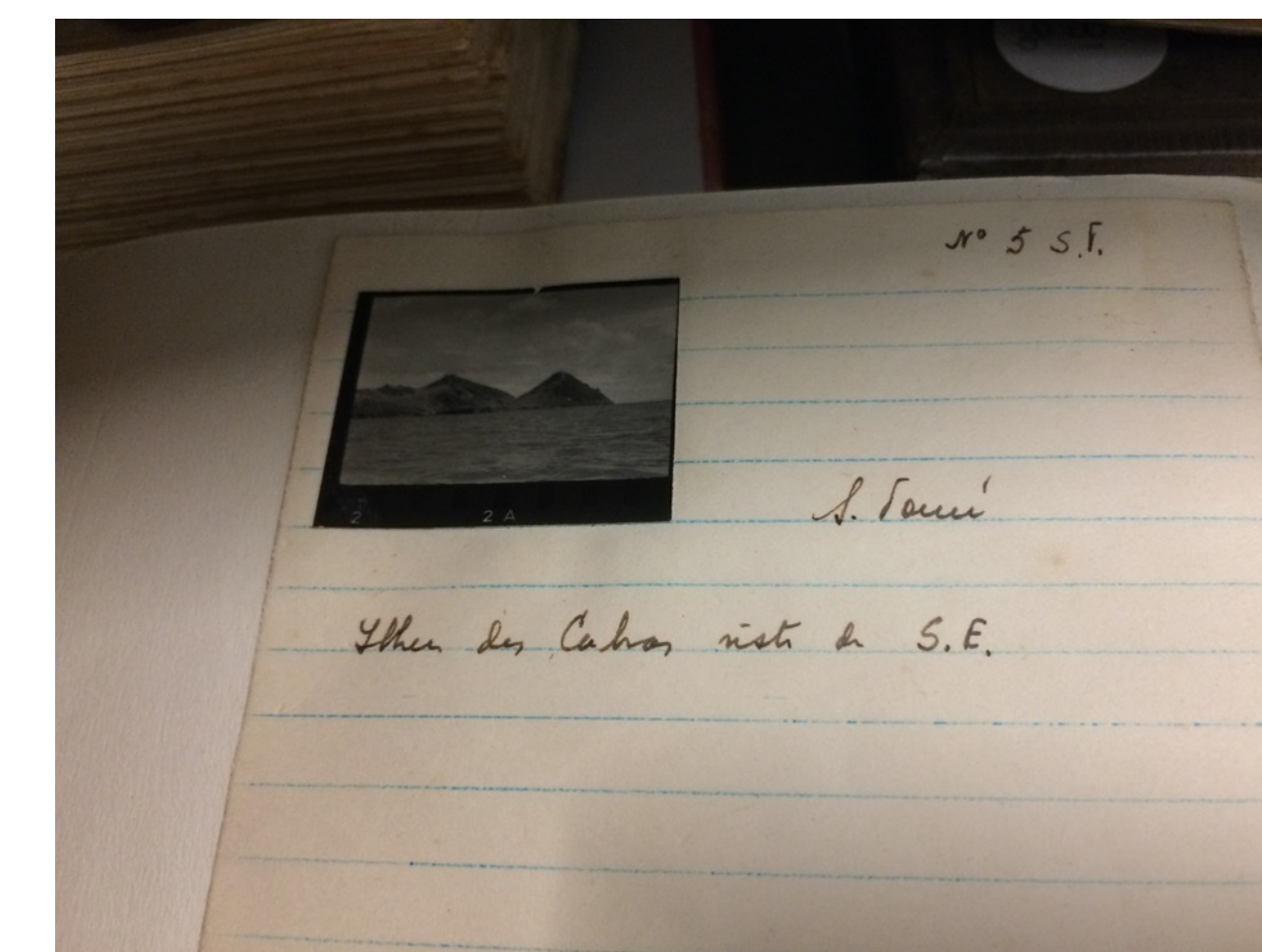
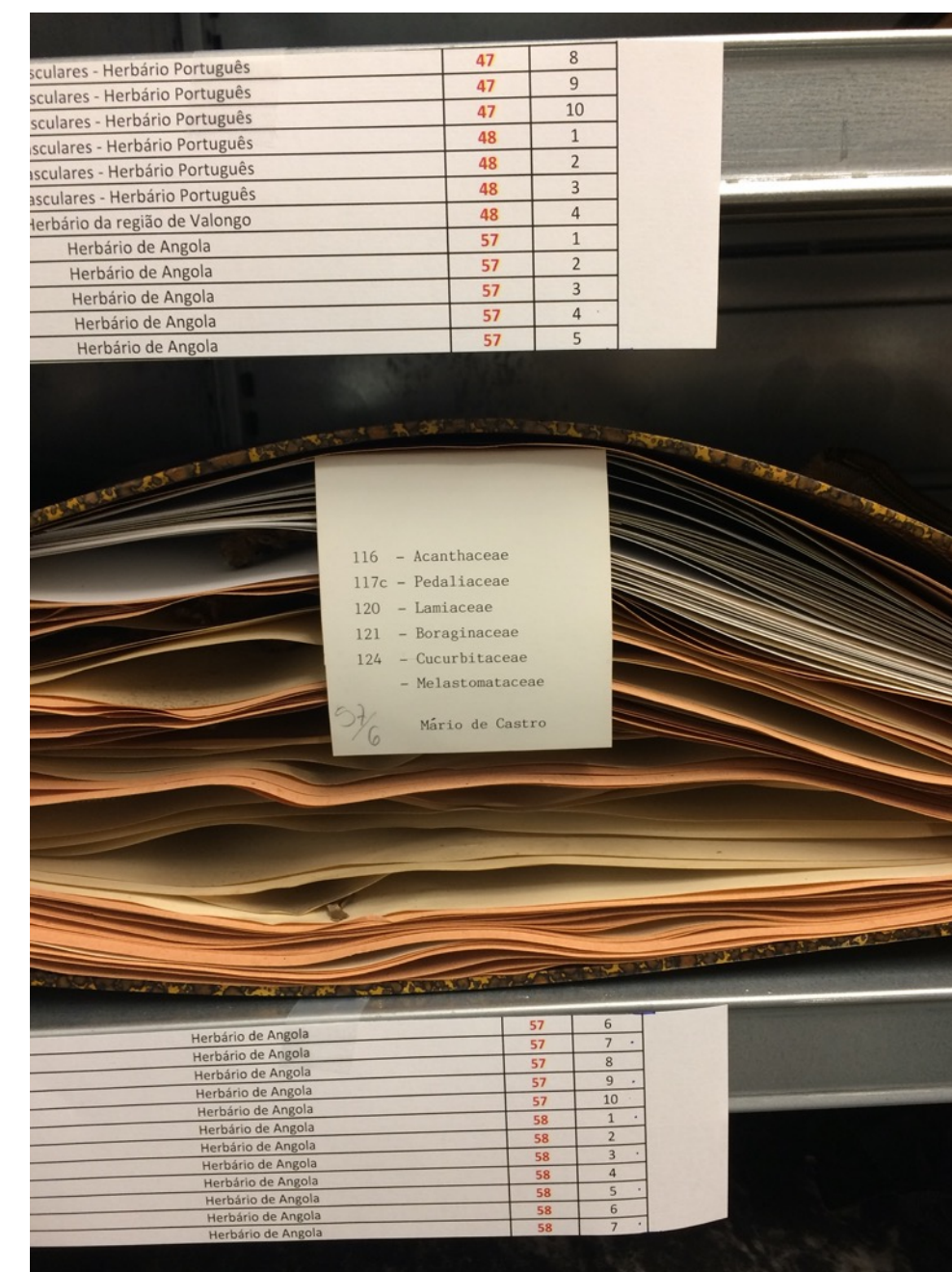


# UNVEILING THE SCIENTIFIC AND HISTORICAL VALUE OF A COLONIAL BOTANICAL COLLECTION OF THE HERBARIUM OF UNIVERSITY OF PORTO

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Spanning through two political regimes, the First Republic (1910-1926) and the Estado Novo dictatorship (1933-1974), my research topic contributes to the study of co-construction of science and empire. Working under distinct collecting contexts, different collectors enriched the herbarium of the University of Porto with specimens gathered in Angola, Mozambique and S. Tomé and Príncipe, overall expanding the botanical knowledge of the overseas Portuguese possessions. The main aim of my PhD is to clarify the role of these collections and of Porto's academic community, both practically unknown to date, in the botanical knowledge construction of the former Portuguese colonies during the twentieth century.