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Hunt Institute was dedicated in 1961 as the Rachel McMasters Miller Hunt Botanical Library, an international center for bibliographical research and service in the interests of botany and horticulture, as well as a center for the study of all aspects of the history of the plant sciences. By 1971 the Library's activities had so diversified that the name was changed to Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation. Growth in collections and research projects led to the establishment of four programmatic departments: Archives, Art, Bibliography and the Library.

1907?

En route to Atlanta
Tuesday, 10 A.M.

Dearest Persica,

We are on our way!
Fred and I left Auburn at 7⁴⁵ this
A.M. and drove to Opelika in or-
der to catch a through train which
does not stop at Auburn. We are "en-
tirely comfortable" in the parlor car,
and are due to arrive at Atlanta
at noon. This will enable us
to attend afternoon sessions of the
association.

I had a very satisfactory visit at
Auburn, although it rained the
entire time - except this A.M. The
result was that I saw less of

ing. I am so glad that Boyse's colic
is better and that little Nancy promises an
improvement. Of course I can't quite believe
that you are all so very happy! Anyway,
I love you more than peanuts and Coca Cola!
which seems to me to be saying a lot down
here where it "~~pears~~" as if the populace
would wither in a day if deprived of such
staples. May be I shall love you even
more than this as soon as I get my share,
which I could not get so early and so cold was
it at 6:30 A.M.!

May the little chickens continue to im-
prove with each day, and "Sister" retain
her Christmas appetite sufficiently to put
away her quota of turkey and other things.

You don't know how much I shall have to talk
to you about when I get home. Why I may
even become "windy" - if not interesting.

Now take excellent care of my dear Per-
sica and of my little ones, gave a good
time New Year, and be as happy as - well,
as you should. You may depend upon me
to do what I can to awaken the slugg-
ish traits and show them a good time!

POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.



*Dr. B. M. Duggles,
5 East Avenue,
Ithaca,
N. Y.*

Dear Dr. Duggles

Our address is
1226 Decatur St.

New Orleans, La.
until April probably.
It is summer time here
but I understand there
has been unusually
warm weather in

Very sincerely
Yours

My Darling

1907

Just a line this morning to say
that I have just read & read
with great pleasure your interesting
letter - telling me & dear Papa all
about your pleasant visit to Charlie
&c. We are much pleased to know
all about our dear youngest. I rejoice
& feel so proud of him & thank
you dear for all you have written
I'm happy. You and dear Mamma

P. S. It is snowing & very heavy
& I must try & get the Postman
to mail this for me as "Papa"
cannot go out in the snow,
as he has the cold & cough. I try
my best. I care for him & he is
a favoured charge & I lose him
more & more. I am to my sweet
affectionate daughter — ^{May God} keep you always

1909?
Durham, N. H.
Monday P. M.

Dearest,

We arrived here safely
after an uneventful trip.
Lathrop couldn't meet me in
Boston, but we took a cab &
got across all right. When I looked
for my postal in Boston I
found there was none & I hadn't
even a pencil to write with.
I hope you haven't worried about
us. Just about this time you
are getting in & Ithaca I hope.
Do, dearest, take good care

definitely of Mamma & Daddy coming.
Chuck wrote Alice that instead of
giving Lenora a wedding present she
would send them the money & come.
I hope they can but I don't for a moment
believe it, especially as Aggie & Bessie
are coming alone.

Lenora's presents are beautiful. You
never saw such an array! She ought
to be a rich man's wife in order
to use them. I'll have to tell
you all about them.

Remember me to Louie & tell her
to take good care of Bessie.

With all my heart my own
dear, precious Skegibes have
Your own adoring
Madie-Padme.