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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.

10/24/1959

OSBORN BOTANICAL LABORATORY
YALE UNIVERSITY, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Dear Ida:

I SHOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE A REPRINT OF YOUR PAPER:

Notas adicionales para una bibliografía sobre la
vegetación de Chiapas.

Bol. Soc. Bot. Méx. 23: 146--162. (Dec.) 1958.

We were both pleased to have seen you in Montreal, tho
only rather briefly. We enjoyed the dinner with the
Mexican delegation. I found out again how really poor
my Spanish is!

THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE, I AM

John joins me in sending best
wishes.

SINCERELY YOURS,

Charlotte Reeder

Dear Mrs L.,

If Dr R-M can make any sense out of this mish-
mash of languages, he'll be doing well. Anyway,
thank you. Hollender, by the way, is Internal
Med., which makes R-M the sane, secundum te.

10.28.59

W.B. Rind, Jr

LIBRARY OF
COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS
OF PHILADELPHIA
19 S. 22nd ST.
PHILA. 3, PENNA.

28 Oct. 1959

My dear Dr Ruiz Moreno,

Valuing highly the paper, but most especially your great kindness in providing her with a copy of it, Mrs Ida Langman has deposited in this library the copy of Dr Méndez Tronco's La Medicina Colonial Hispana en los Siglos XV y XVI that she received from you.

This library, belonging to a society founded in 1787, has particularly cultivated collections on the history of medicine, which is the reason for her selection of the library as a suitable repository for a paper that our historians have not easy access to. We greatly desire more frequent communication with your physicians and medical historians. I wanted, therefore, to let you know how much your kindness is appreciated here, and to assure you that I would welcome the exchange of information and documents in the historical field whenever it might be agreeable to you.

With cordial greetings and thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Dr Anibal Ruiz Moreno
Cerrito 1521
Buenos Aires
Argentina

W. B. McDaniel, 2d
Curator, Library
Historical Collections



LIBRARY OF THE
COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS
of Philadelphia

19 SOUTH 22nd STREET
Philadelphia 3, Pa.

16 March 1954

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Dear Mrs Langman,

Thanks very much for the photostat from La Voz de Hipocrates on the Lobelia Delessea.

I am relieved that you have received a copy of the Datos para la Historia de la Farmacia Precortesiana, because we have not ordered it and I have lost or mislaid the data you gave me. Would it be an imposition to ask you to bring the book in with you on one of your visits to the library? If I remember correctly, you said you wanted to keep this one, so I promise not to twist your arm to get it away from you; but it would be helpful to see it and check with you on price, publisher, etc.

Yours sincerely,

W. B. McDaniel, II
Curator of the Library's
Historical Collections

Mrs Ida K. Langman
3509 Baring Street
Philadelphia 4, Penna.



LIBRARY OF THE
COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

of Philadelphia

19 SOUTH 22nd STREET

Philadelphia 3, Pa.

13 Feb. 1954

Dear Mrs Langman,

Thank you for sending the bill for the Guerra Historio-
grafia.

I have to trouble you about it now because the phrasing leaves some doubt as to procedure. The bill says: "Price - \$6.00 - to be sent to..." This could be taken to mean that our cheque was to be sent to the Patronato, whereas it was my understanding that the payment would be made to you, since our treasurer would not countenance our making payment on a bill to other than the agency presenting it.

In the hope of simplifying matters, I enclose a bill which we could put through without question. If it meets with your approval, will you be kind enough to return it to me in the enclosed return envelope. You could simply endorse our cheque and send it on to Mexico - which would satisfactorily establish your position as that of kindly go-between on a non-professional basis.

Yours sincerely,

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19 SOUTH 22nd STREET

Philadelphia 3, Pa.

7 April 1953

Dear Mrs Langman,

I am much obliged to you for your note of the 4th on our Hernández-Ximénez.

On checking with Guerra, I see that he calls for 203 fol., whereas our copy has only 196. Evidently, as you indicate, the first two gatherings were extracted - probably as being unimportant! Obviously, it would be far preferable to have photostats from a copy of this edition rather than from either of those of 1888. But where to find another copy? My impression is that you had used the National Catalogue and not found another copy. Is that correct? If so, would it be in order for me to write to Prof. Guerra, asking if he could supply photostats of the missing pages? Is either of the 1888 editions a facsimile? I cannot find any indication that either is. If one of them should be, that would simplify it, of course, since you have located copies of both in the city. I shall be still further obliged, if you can advise me on these points.

As for the cataloguing under Hernández, let me say that we also have it under Ximénez' name as translator; as the only card under his name, it probably just missed your eye. I note that both the 1888 editions have their main entry in the Index-catalogue under Hernández, and I suspect that library cataloguers generally might differ from bibliographers in using the basic text, however much augmented, as their point of departure. Guerra, it is true, catalogues under Ximénez, but neglects to make the necessary references between him and Hernández. If these are made, I suppose it doesn't too much matter whether the main entry goes to the author of the basic text or to the translator-editor?

With thanks, again, for your interest,

Yours sincerely,

W. B. McDaniel, II
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Librarian

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3509 Baring Street
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Enclosure

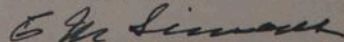
THE LLOYD LIBRARY AND MUSEUM
309 W. COURT STREET
CINCINNATI, OHIO, U. S. A.

March 26, 1952

Dear Mrs. Langman:

Your card of March the twenty-fourth has been received. Lloyd Library is opened Monday thru Friday, 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M. The library is closed on Saturday.

Very truly yours,



(Mrs.) C. M. Simons
Librarian

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LIBRARY OF THE
COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF PHILADELPHIA

19 SOUTH 22ND STREET
Philadelphia 3, Pa.

3 Sept. 1952

Dear Mrs Langman,

Thank you for your letter of Aug. 29 calling my attention to Guerra's two listings of the Ensayo.

Technically, the listings are correct (assuming that Cal y Bracho's name appeared on the 1889 title-page), but it would certainly retard the ageing process of users of the bibliography if he had effected some sort of liaison between the entries. That he was aware of the connection is evident from your memory and from his statement, Prólogo, p.9, "En la cultura Puebla de los Angeles, la Academia patrocinada por Cal y Bracho edita el Ensayo ... (1832)". The statement, which of course doesn't attribute authorship to C y B, is interesting in itself, when one notes that the 1832 title-page ascribes the work to a Comision. Evidently the Instituto, in its 1889 edition, ascribed the work to C y B; but who knows on what grounds? Perhaps the edition itself gives them. In citing the 1832 edition, I suppose one would lead off with C y B's name in brackets; but, as you indicate, Guerra would not be the authority for doing so.

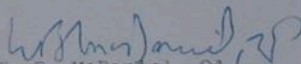
The Instituto's Anales, incidentally, didn't begin until 1894, but was preceded by El Estudio, 1889-1893, which I was fortunate enough to pick up some 15 years ago. The 1889 Ensayo was evidently published independently of the journal. But the Instituto's Datos para la materia medica Mexicana, 1894, did originally appear in the journals. We have the Datos, but unfortunately not the Ensayo.

You may gather, correctly, from the above, that our copy of Guerra has come. I suppose it will have other deficiencies than the one you point out; but in this imperfect world one learns to be grateful for small favors, and I suspect this bibliography, whatever its deficiencies, is rather more than that.

With best regards,

Mrs Ida K. Langman
3509 Baring St
Philadelphia 4

Yours sincerely,


W. B. McDaniel, 2d
Librarian