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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.

Botanist

Manin Garden
Edw. 5 Oct 1846

Dear Sir

thought. prot.

I send you a specimen
of *Cunninghamia* gynostes
which you will perhaps
be disposed to figure in
the Magazine. - I have
drawn up a description
in far as I can do without
ascertaining fully the
nature of the fruit. I
shall notice the fruit
afterwards.

You are please to
what I have ~~found~~^{examined} the
having covering of the very
perhaps may not perhaps
be considered a dark
prolonged from the thea-
phone. I count 30 miles
in one of the specimens
what I examined, but
there may be more.

Perhaps you will do me
the favour to revise my
description & make any
corrections you think proper.

W. What expect the

at New York. He will
then give you any further
information you may wish.

I purpose at the end of
this week to send you
a specimen of Spondelia
purpurea Brijuni. The
plant is now coming into
flower in a cold frame.
I shall also send a des-
-cription. -

I am very glad that I had
not the pleasure of seeing
you when I was in
the South.

I should have stated that
the Apocynaceae occurs in the
form all the genera in the
following section as given
by Endlicher. I suppose it
therefore the new genus.
The name given by C. D. C. is
like I should think be
retained. -

I am
Yours respectfully
J. W. Balfour

Dr. Wm. J. Hooker.