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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.



James Bruce Esq
Kinnaird House
Falkirk
N. B.

For Dr. Buckle, President of the R. S.
sent me by the Glasgow of Lewis

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Icho I mare
Augth 9 1790.

My dear Sir

Many thanks to you for the pains
you have taken to Recover my missing Sheet
it would have been precious to me if your valuable
Present had by the carelessness of the Printer been
rendered imperfect be so good as to let it be well
bound & stick & sent to me by any one of
my friends coming to the South who will take
Charge of it

I thank you for your information
concerning Mr Seton tho I am not at all likely
to make any use of it the views of the
African Association are directed only to the

unexplored part of the African Continent Abyssinia
consequently does not come within the scope of them
if a Traveler intending for these Countries were to
come to me & ask assistance from the Fund I
should tell him that unless he meant to seek onward
to Bournou or some other of the unvisited Ports I
could not consent to supply him if Mr.
Seton comes back with from the number
& nature of the Barbers you encountered some
very unlikely I shall be curious to know
whether that long vexed Kingdom has yet settled
itself into any sort of Establishment

War & the Rumors of War ever
inimical to the progress of Science occupies
here the Conversation of every one we are now

warmly disputing whether the circumstances of the
Spaniards leaving acceded to our less preliminary
article is a symptom of war or peace I who have
during the whole of the battle held the peace side
of the argument on a supposition that there is
no one now inclined to war with us at all capable
of matching us have little doubt of a conciliation
as speedy as the tedious Councils of Spain
can bring it about

Believe me dear sir with the highest
respect & regard Your most faithful
servant
J. J. Banks