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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 Torrington Place
Plymouth
Jan^y 4 23. 1866-

My dear Sir,

I was very glad to
hear that the Viola arrived
safely, and hope it will
grow. Should the cold you
are at present experiencing
do too much for it. I will
send another lot of roots
when the season is more ad-
vanced. The other things
were merely some ~~things~~ I
sent with when returning

from Plympton with the
Dieda. Now I know you
have a garden I will try
to send a better lot of roots
when the season is over all
danced. The three *Erodia*
are all to be obtained here.

I was glad to hear more
about the Rose, and shall
be much pleased to see an
article on it by you in the
Journal of Botany.

It is quite common in

sedges & thickets near
Plymouth as I believe I
have already said. Some of
its local stations are across
the Tamer, and in Cornwall.

I remain, my dear Sir,

Yours every truly

T. R. B. Briggs

P.S. I enclose a few seeds of *R.*
maria hybrid which I have cul-
tivated for the past two or three
years. I first had it of Mr. Hanbury
of Cambridge. They are so fond of it
that it is difficult to preserve the
young plants from their depredations.
I treat it as a half-hard annual:
sow it in a pot, & afterwards plant
out into the garden. T. R. B.