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The Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, a research division of Carnegie Mellon University, specializes in the history of botany and all aspects of plant science and serves the international scientific community through research and documentation. To this end, the Institute acquires and maintains authoritative collections of books, plant images, manuscripts, portraits and data files, and provides publications and other modes of information service. The Institute meets the reference needs of botanists, biologists, historians, conservationists, librarians, bibliographers and the public at large, especially those concerned with any aspect of the North American flora.

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.

British Museum  
Monday June 8

My Dear Hooker

I have applied for  
I am likely to obtain an  
additional Attendant in my Depart-  
ment Had I been a little stronger  
I should have gone to New <sup>to day</sup> to enquire  
whether you had any Young Man for  
he must be under 25. Who would  
be likely to prefer a permanent appoin-  
ment <sup>as attendant</sup> beginning at £50 per an-  
but gradually rising to £70. to his  
present position & prospects with you  
& of such character & intelligence  
as you could recommend if so pray  
let me see him tomorrow (Tuesday)  
for the appointment is likely to take  
place on Wednesday

I

I write in great haste & with  
uncomfortable headache  
With kind regards to Lady Hooker  
I ever am My Dear Friend Yours  
truly Robert Brown

P.S. If you should be able to  
send a young man pray let him  
come to 17 Dean Street tomorrow  
morning before 11 o'clock & let  
it be understood that I am by  
no means sure that the nomination  
will rest with me.

Robert Brown Esq. D.C.L., F.R.S.  
Keeper of the Botanical Collections  
in the British Museum. Formerly  
President of the Linnean Society  
Died 1858, aged 85.