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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.



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Monsieur et honore Colligue.

M. Renault et moi ayant décrit, depuis plusieurs années, dans diverses publications, un certain nombre de Mousses américaines (Etats Unis, Amérique centrale et Antilles), nous avons reçu, de la part de plusieurs Bryologues de votre pays, le reproche que les originaux de nos espèces nouvelles n'étaient pas accessibles aux bryologues américains.

Reconnaissant toute la valeur de cette objection, nous venons vous offrir de déposer dans l'herbier du Department of Agriculture de Washington, dans

Tous les cas, bien entendu, où nos échantillons nous le permettront, des spécimens-types de nos espèces nouvelles. Nous ne demandons rien en échange. La seule condition que nous mettions à ce don, c'est que ces échantillons pourront être consultés et étudiés par tout botaniste qui en fera la demande.

Dans l'attente de votre réponse, je vous prie, Monsieur et honoré Collègue, d'agréer l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée

J. Cardot.