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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.

P.S. The Donnicus
 also made me
 perform a miracle
 in that it states
 I held a certain
 position in 1880
 & at the same
 time (there was
 neither wine nor
 any other thing
 an Agricultural
 Exhibition at
 Christchurch!

Ngairi,
 Wellington,
 8 June 1929.

My dear Andersen,

Let me thank you most
 sincerely for your truly welcome
 letter of congratulation the value of
 which is enhanced coming, as it
 does, from an old and valued
 friend. It is now about 40 years
~~ago~~ since a Royal Honour was given
 to science in this country, though
 yearly one or two come to Auckland.
 I sincerely hope now, that since
 the ice is broken, our men of science
 will receive their due share of
 such honours, and so their work
 and worth become known to the
 general public. How little mine is
 even yet understood (work I mean)
 stands manifest in the Donnicus's
~~statement that~~ my C. M. G. was the reward
 for long & faithful service in the
 Civil Service — and, as you know,
 I have never occupied any position
 therein.

Yours most faithfully

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