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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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Cairo, Egypt Nov. 25.

Mr F. V. Coville.

Chief of Division of Botany.

Department of Agriculture.

Dear Mr Coville:—

Both your letters, of Oct. 28th and
November 6th, arrived a few days
ago.

With regard to the Medlar matter,
your handling of the subject ~~seems~~^{is}
quite satisfactory to Mr Lathrop
and myself. Sprenger is a man
who knows the worth of a dollar
and will not lose by any bargain
he may make with the Department.

I have no knowledge whatever
either of Mr Buysman of Middleburg
or his writings. I shall make it
a point to ask Dr Treub while in
Java whether he knows of his
work and of what value it is.

From the quotation you send I
am not favorably impressed. There
is no large acclimatization garden
of importance in Holland which

could furnish notes of much value
for our Southern States. I will
write to Buysman and enquire
more particularly as to his notes.

Mr Lathrop wishes me to thank
you for the appreciative message
to him in your letter of the 25th
of October and say that it is doubly
~~appx~~ acceptable in these times when
appreciation and thanks are rarely
met with.

We leave tomorrow for Port Said
where we take the "Friedrich der Grosse"
for Ceylon and Java. We shall
arrive in Java about the last of
next month and will make the
Moluccas our field of campaign
during the following three
months. Later in the season we
hope to visit the coast of China
and Japan and get over to
Manilla before our return.

Very truly yours

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