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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.

Ridgeway, Wasco Co, Or
Nov 7th 1898.

Frederick V. Coville Esq
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

I send to day a collection of plants that sheep mostly feed on during the year, here on the plains and in the Cascades range. Several of them is everything but good specimens. —

Last spring when I started to the mountains we had to get off double quick and in ^{the} rush I went off and forgot the paper & driers, when I discovered that I had left it, it was impassible for me to go back and get it, so I had to send for it and also sent down to Portland, thinking that I could get some from there sooner, — so when I went to
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Ans. Nov. 31.

H.V.C. N.

work collecting and got to many plants at once, my other work coming in, and the sheep getting on the range feeding of the plants thus cutting of a chance to get another specie - I also started in to collect everything I could find of other plants - but soon gave it up as I did not had paper nor dried enough this season. -

I did not get any (Indian corn or Skunk cabbage) I did not find a single plant with bloom nor fruit on it - Sheep for some reason do not eat it up in the Fish Lake mountains - Deertongue I could not find with fruit on, as it was to late in the season - also the prairie bunchgrass, that was only in bloom when I left, and I had no chance to get it before

F.V. 63

I came out this fall. -

I has a duplicate set of the plants
that I send you. -

Hoping the collection can be of
some use to you I beg to remain
very Respectfully Yours

John Farre

P.S.

There is a plant grows down on
the Santiam river its leaves re-
sembles one of larger species of fern
it has a flower that is about $\frac{1}{2}$ size
larger than a daisy, the flower is
single, shaped more like a wild rose
the color of the flower is some white &
pink - or blue - it blooms in March. -
Mr C. H. Foster of Garrison Linn Co
Or. sent a specie of it. to the Agri-
culture college at Corvallis - In reply

P.T.C. 4.

They told him, that they did not know
the plant - also that it was not
a native wild plant. - but it grows
way up in the mountains.

~~Do~~ Have you ever run across it
in your exploit in the Cascades?
I have not seen more than
a leaf of it so can not give any
but his description of it - It
blooms in March -