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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.

Brooklyn March 1892

Mr. Wightman

Dear Sir

I owe

you an apology for not answering
your first note. The fact is I was
expecting every day to complete
the order for Philosophical apparatus
but do not know now whether I shall
be next year.

With regard to the payment of
your bill, I do not feel warranted
in promising the whole in May, but
you may draw upon me for a part
of it. Say 100 dollars at that time
I am building & incurring large expenses
I do not now know whether my funds
will allow of a larger draft than,

The large bell receiver for air pump
was laid too near some other body &
a circular crack was produced in it
which renders it unfit for service.
Dover's Manual I know nothing about
I have I believe 2 copies or 3. I will send him
my ^{copy} ^{book} but should send to the

If I find I can mount the whole of the
bird on the first of May I will write you

The Oxial Engine went an hour one day
I ~~there~~ have not been able to make it
go a single revolution since, I suppose
it has to do with the wires connected
with the break. but with all my
~~very~~ effort I cannot arrange them
so as to make it operate.

Very truly yours,

School. number 130.

A. Gray

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