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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.

Berkeley, 4 June, 1848.

Dear Dr. Palmer.-

I mailed you yesterday a post-office order; to-day I acknowledge receipt of the box of specimens, one of the most interesting collections I have ever seen. I must also express my gratification at the long list of accompanying notes. These add largely to the interest of the collection. They ought to be published in full, by whoever publishes the names; but they will not be, I know. I shall copy them in as far as I can, in fine writing, on your tickets, and thus have them preserved in my herbarium. I shall also have something to say in print about your collection, where Watson has had his say.

I shall want a full set of your Californian collections this year, and I should like to keep track of your journeyings.

Yours Very Truly

R. T. Greene