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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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My dear Sir

I thank you very
much for the 20 letters of
your "Useful Plants" to which
I make constant
reference, & always with
advantage - I quoted from
it my last week is a
despatch to the India Office
relative to planting the
Adansonia in waste
lands of the Empire

Paper making - The
impact of Helianthus
back from W. Africa
then suddenly spring
up & rise to an
immense figure.

In my deep
Respectfully
W. B. H. H.