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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.

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Mr Josiah Fletcher
Bookseller
Gay Hill
Notwich.

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Barham Jan^y 8. 1839

Dear Sir/

You will have wondered, I dare say, at having received no letter from me for so long a period - At the time your last letter arrived I was preparing for a Journey to London & Hastings & for an absence from home of several weeks & had no leisure ^{previously} to consider deeply to the contents of your favor. I returned a short time since & have been too busy, ^{account} in consequence of my long absence to consider the ~~same~~ you sent me: When I was in town I saw Dr Richard^{son}. He had received, he told me both from yourself ^{had} & Mess^{rs} Longman 10 copies of the Fauna, & that he returned the latter, & paid you for the former. As I do not see the amount in your statement, I suppose it was received after you sent it. This will reduce the Deficit to £117. 12. 0. When I saw Dr Richardson he told me that Mr Bohn, a Bookseller at 4 York Street Covent Garden, was disposed, if we had any

intimation to part with the copies of the Fauna
remaining in hand, ~~was disposed~~ to treat for them -
in consequence of this intimation I called upon Mr
Bohn, & found he was willing to enter into a treaty
for that purpose. I found him a very civil man -
he has an immense library of Nat^l History &c
anxious to purchase works in that line - I rather
think he has done business with Dr Richardson
with respect to ^{some of} the former parts of the Fauna -
but I am not certain. ~~Altho~~ I could ask the Dr
Mr Bohn made the following inquiries.

How many copies & whether in boards or in quires.

Whether all the plates are worked.

How many copies are coloured.

How many plain.

We said nothing about terms - the address he
gave me was Henry G. Bohn 4 York Street &c

I could not answer any of these queries - I suppose
from your statement of what Longmans have

last myself - that there are between 140 & 150 copies
in hand.

If you wish it I should have no objection to
meeting you at Norwich next week to talk matters
over, but as

Wishing you & Mrs. T. many happy returns
of this Season

I am

Dear Sir

Yours very truly

Wm. G. D. G.

P. S. When I said above I should have no objection to meet
you at Norwich, I spoke without considering that it was
the depth of winter & out with my back to the shore, but
at my advanced period of life I suffer a good deal from
the cold, so that unless there was a real necessity for my
going I should be glad to retract my proposal. Perhaps you
would have no objection to visit Baskam Ave. that he
be gratified by seeing you here.