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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.

William Forsyth Esq
Wharfedale Gardens
London



May 1795

Andrew Forsyth

Sir

Yours of Jan. 4 23. came duly to your
sister's hand. I wrote you sometime in the Month of
Feb. 4; but am uncertain if ever it reached you.

I know not how Mr. John Wall had mistaken
about your sister's Money sent by Mr. Ennis. Mr. En-
nis never failed to give the Money with great Punctu-
ality and exactness.

I thank you in the kindest Manner for all
your Past Care of and Attention to your Sister; and
am sorry to inform you that you will have no more
Opportunity or Occasion for your Good Offices, as she
departed this life early in the Morning of the 18th Inst.
She was in very great Distress for a long time before her
Death; and as the Change drew nearer the Trouble in-
creased. We endeavored to be as attentive to her as possi-
ble, and got every thing for her which she either could

same, or was thought to be in the least Degree useful. We
wished as much as possible to alleviate her Distress, & let no
Comfort be wanting. She was long in her last illness; but I
may truly say that she was in great Extremity since the
End of Oct. & needed one to attend her constantly Night
and Day. Since that time she needed one to wake & visit
with her every Night. My Sister as much as possible
sat, & kind neighbours assisted. Her Breasts were in
such a Condition that for two months before her Death
she needed a Woman constantly washing or nearly so.

At her own Desire we interred her in the Church
Yard of Methuen, & gave her an honorable Burial. We
hired Mr. Mide's hearse from Old Deer, & invited the
most respectable of our Neighbours, & treated them,
as much as we could, in such a way as we thought would
be satisfying to you, & proper for themselves having so
long a Ride.

The most if not the whole of your last Ten
Pounds was due before it came. It shall get £2ⁿ 16ⁿ 9
for the Year before; and I have not yet sought his Acct.

for his Attendance since that Time. Six Pounds more
was due to different people w^{ch} I knew nothing of till they
were paid. From this you will easily see what I want
now need. I hope you will not neglect to write me
upon receiving this.

Yr Affectionate Son

May 26. 1795

I am Sir your Oble Serv

Andrew Logie

Dear Brother The above account in every
particular of the circumstances of
our Sister is true as I can attes

John Forgy

P.S. You might write me a letter
now and then as I must long
to hear from you &c