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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.

14th Nov - 1834



1832

Kortius

15th July

6 Steamboat

To Richard Wright Esq. M.D.

Assistant Surgeon in the Hon. the East Ind.
Company's Service &c. &c.

from Hamburg

21. Regent Street.

London.

Sir!

By Mr. Wallish and Mr. Lindley I learn your friendly disposition against me, and the kindness, with which you will allow to me the participation of a share of the glorious present, which you so generously bestow on several Botanists. I cannot express to you, how much I feel honoured and gratified by that generous gift. If it once should be possible to me, to express my gratitude, you may dispose on myself, and you shall find, that I acknowledge the greatness of your favour. Palmae are for all other plants the most interesting to me, because I shall give a general view on the family in the last number of my work on Palmae. Besides such plants, which have relation to Palms (all monocotyledonous) are more desirable to me; but the flora indica being of an immense extension, every communication, you will kindly bestow upon me, shall be accepted with my best thanks.

I am at present in possession of a great quantity of indian
Palmae, given by Wallich, Reinwardt and Blume, and I have
on my hand some interesting communication from the Jardin des
plantes of Paris. Founded on all these materials I hope to make
out some general and specific revision of the family with some
success, and I shall grateful testify to the literary public, what
I am indebted for to Your kind benevolence.

Believe me, My Sir,

Your

Munich 15. Jul. 1832.

P. S.

Mr. Huneeus will take
care of the parcels, for kindly
bestow upon me.

most humble and obedient servant

Dr. v. Martius