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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.

Nathaniel Miles Esq

New York Institution

May 21. 1827

Sir I have the pleasure of re-
-porting to you, that the collec-
-tion of plants, eighteen in num-
-ber, from the Alpine spot cal-
-led the Garden, situated 8484
feet above the level of the ocean
were presented to the Lyceum
of Natural history, by me, this
evening pursuant to the re-
-quest made in your note of
this day. The Society has ac-
-ceded to you a vote of thanks.
The specimens will be pre-
-served in their museum.

Before I affixed them, I took
care to inscribe your name.

I feel very much gra-
-tified, to have been made
the organ of this communica-
-tion: and solicit the fav-
-our of an acquaintance,
at 47 White Street, that I
may have the honour of intro-
-ducing you to the society.

Respectfully yours

Saml Mitchell

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