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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.

Norwich, New York, May 13, 1889

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1889

Dear Madam,

I am much obliged by  
your note, and am glad to hear  
that you take the part of the poor  
sparrow, who has need of all  
that can be said in his defense.

I have been sending, and  
am still, extracts from the  
Report of the Evidence Taken before  
the Birds' Protection Committee of

The House of Commons, which  
is very telling in his favor,  
to the "Farmer" newspaper.

I am,

Dear Madam,

Yours faithfully,

F. O. Morris.