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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.

Dear Sir

I was honored with a letter of yours dated Nov^r 5. I hope you will not take amiss my freedom in saying that I cannot possibly read any more than what gives me to understand that it is full of kind intentions towards. I shall be very happy if you would be so good as to explain yourself by the head of some friend either in Latin or French. I have the pleasure of being acquainted with Mr Welby. Be so good as to present my respects to him; & tell him I shall be very much obliged to him for a letter explanatory of yr purposes.

I shall be glad of the list of my works already in yr possession that I may supply all the deficiencies.

I never had any of yr except the Bibliotheca Botanica. & the ships Helvetica: the first from yourself. the 4 vols in 9th of the

Helvetic antiquities will be most welcome.
I never received the 5 fine prints from Mr John
Pringle. Be so good as to inform me how
you mean to ~~convey~~ the books to me. I wish
they could be directed to Mr Darel as Mr
Headrick Vandermissen & sons are at home.
I am Dear Sir

Yr most obliged &
obedient servant

The Pennant

Nov 28th 1777

Please to direct yr Letters to me
at Torrington Flintshire
England.