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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.



Education Office,
Auckland
11th April 1896.

F. V. Coville Esq^r
Dio No 760, Sir,

I have so myself the
pleasure of sending you through
Mr. Connolly, the U.S. Consul here,
a supplementary parcel of New
Zealand grasses, containing
specimens of species common
enough in the North, though
not occurring in the South
of the colony where I have
till lately resided.

In a former letter I asked if
you could send me speci-
mens of the North American
Deschampsias & Gymno-
stichums, and Mr. F
Lamson Scribner, your

Please let it change of address. Sir

Agronomist promised to send
there and many more at an
early date. Then I have not
yet received, but I must
especially value specimens of
the genera above named as I
need them in studying N. 3
members of these genera. You
very kind sent me a copy
of the Grasses of the South
west and of the Pacific
slope, works I value very
high. Would it be too much
to ask for a copy of other
works in N. American flora
published by your Dept.
previous to 1891? I hope
you will be pleased with what
I am now sending on.

I am, Sir,
Yours sincerely

A. Petrie