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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.

Ans. Sept. 8, 1898.
L.H.D.



Baltimore, Md.

Aug. 26, 1898.

The Secretary of Agriculture.
Dear Sir.

Mailed you this evening
using frank - four specimens of plants
found on ballast lot near Baltimore.

No. 1. Leaf and portion of inflorescence
(about $\frac{1}{3}$) of an *Eryngium* species not
determined. Plant nearly 2 ft. high.

No. 2. Specimen of most probably
Kallstroemia maxima (*Pribulus maximus*)
I hope this specimen will be found worth
preserving.

No. 3. Which seems to be somewhat
different from *Linaria vulgaris* I think
will be verified as *L. genicifolia*.

No. 4. It found ~~is found~~ growing
close to No. 3. Was found last year.

you for the first time. Specimens
sent at that time (Oct. 20, 97) and also
with fruit (Nov. 23), failed to be
returned. I am requested to watch
and see if plants reappeared this year.
(Seeds planted of Plant of '97 failing to
germinate).

Please let me know all you may
possibly find out about this plant, also
kindly verify other specimens.

I will thank you also for a few frank.

Very truly yours,

Charles C. Platt

1706 Hanover St.

4 specimens

Chatt. Herb.

Div. No. 1942.

Report

1 *Eryngium campestris*
4.

2. *Tribulus terrestris*, 3. *Linum catharticum*.

Disposal

Herb