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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.



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My dear Prain,

I laid your letter before the Lg. yesterday and he desires me to say that he has no objection to your accompanying Dr. Colville's expedition in the manner proposed. Sir Charles observed

at the same time that if,
as he understood, the Patloi
route were adopted 12
Khenia coolies would be
insufficient for transport
purposes. Woodthorpe he
says could not do with
less than sixty and was
nearly starved even so, the
country on that line being
barren jungle producing

little food nor inhabitants
so that supplies for the
coolies have to be carried.

I am so sorry you
have again had trouble
about your pay. I am
now issuing orders
as in D.D. which I
hope will put things
right.

Wishing you success
Remain

Yours sincerely

H. H. Risley / g.s.

P.S. If I sent you
some anthropometric
instruments, instructions
and forms, do you think
you could manage to
take a few measurements?

I would also add a set
of questions for ethnographic
purposes.

H.N.

Enclose Colomb's letter -