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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.

Philad.^a Saturday Feb 24 1894

The Assistant Secy of Agriculture

Washington D. C.

Dear Sir



In reply to your letter of
Feb 19 - asking suggestions as to the appointment
of an aporotologist - I would name -

Prof. F. Lamson Scribner, a member of the
Academy of Natural Sciences of Philad.^a -

I have known him for a number of
years - He is a good botanist & has made
the grasses his special study - He is very
skilful in pen & ink drawing, the most
difficult branch of the art, much used in
delineating plants - He has also the merit,
not common among naturalists - He is
prompt in his correspondence, which is

dear cousin & ad rem - I am
sure that I am right in saying that
his appointment would be satisfactory
to the botanists of the country & to
the department in its results

Yours Truly,

Charles E. Smith

216 So. 15th St.