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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.

à Londres ce 29 Juin 1814.

Monsieur & très cher ami.

Il y a 2 or 3 semaines que je vous ai adressé une lettre par mon ami M. Dawson Turner. Je ne doute pas qu'il s'est trouvé heureux à Paris sous votre protection. — Permettez moi aussi de vous présenter M.^r Johnson, jeune homme de talent, zélé pour la botanique, mais à présent de peu de pratique. Il voyage pour s'instruire, & son intention est d'aller voir l'Italie, & les Alpes. Il est riche, & bien disposé.

Agreez encore mon cher Monsieur mes sentiments d'estime et de reconnaissance —

J. B. Smith.