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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.

Nashville

My dear Sir —

I wrote you some time ago that I had engaged one of my young friends and pupils to collect for you some of our Tennessee plants — he has done so and took them with him — This young friend is Mr R. Curry of this place the bearer of this letter whom I take the pleasure of introducing to your acquaintance. Mr C. is remarkably fond of the study of Natural History and no doubt when returned here, may have the opportunity, and I know ^{will have} the good will, to continue in collecting the materials of your favoured pursuits. Mr C. is besides recommendable for his moral deportment — Any services which you can render Mr Curry will be considered as bestowed —

Very respectfully
Your friend
G. Troost