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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.

## Columbia College in the City of New York

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

April 9<sup>th</sup> 1896

My dear Mr Coville: Will you be good enough to  
 send me your collection of Crotalarias and  
 that of Philibertia? I have begun the  
 study of the Isopleuraceae and hope  
 to call upon you from time to time for  
 your material. Will you kindly send me  
 the Mexican & S.A. specimens as well as  
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Sincerely yours  
 Anna Murray Vail