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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.

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Div. No. 986. Wenatchee Wm.

Sept 3 1896

Frederic V. Coville

Botanist Dept of Agriculture

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir: In July I took a trip on horseback into the Methow valley and up Twisp river on business, and managed to collect a few plants, and I send you a set of the specimens. I had poor chance to care for them, or to study them, and many I have not attempted to classify. I kept a few notes in a pocket book, and numbered them for the trip, and afterward gave them numbers in a larger book I have kept for the reason. I send a set of them to Prof C.V. Piper of the Washington State Agricultural College at Pullman, and also send him my book of notes. I will send

you packages in a few days
containing other plants ~~at~~ collected
during the summer.

Some families of plants I have paid
little attention to, on account of being
difficult for a beginner, and lack of
time. The books I have received
from the department have been a help to
me, and will aid me much more another
season.

In looking over the specimens that
are numbered, if I have named any
wrong I would be pleased to be corrected,
but otherwise you need not bother about
them. If there is any particular point
on which I can give information, please let
me know.

Yours Truly
Kirk Whited