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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.

Madam

I wrote last week to thank you for the trouble you had taken to procure me leaves of the Kuphar and Mr. Trevelyan for his present of game, but owing to a servant's neglect my letter was not sent to the carrier in time. Since then a small packet of plants collected in Lapland by Dr. Lestadius has reached me which I now divide with you - if a copy of *Wahlgren's Flora Laponica* is in your library you will find the *Sp. nov.* well described. *Salix peltaris* is very rare, and of course interesting. *Andromeda tetragona* I never saw before. Have the goodness to remember me to Mrs & Mr. Trevelyan and your sisters and believe me to be

Madam

Your most obed^t
very humble Serv^t
Nat: h. Wmck

Purcell
Nov: 11th 1822

