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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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Cawlinch Nov. 27.

Dear Prof. Bessey,

I have ordered
a copy of the Annals to
be sent to you beginning
with Vol. III of which
3 parts have already
appeared. If the numbers
do not arrive in a
month please let me
know. I should be glad
to get the Naturalist of
this year in exchange.

I have had a hard
year. Two of my family
have died including my

father. My work here
has been beyond my
powers and everything
was in confusion awaiting
the completion of our
new building. I now have
comfortable quarters but
it will be months before
I am really settled. Middle
age has its drudgery
and I long for leisure.
Next year is my leave
of absence.

Yours, truly,
W. C. Harlow