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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.

Scottish Society for Research in Plant-Breeding.

CRAIGS HOUSE,

CORSTORPHINE,

Hidlothian

4th July 1922

Lt. Col. Sir David Peair, C.M.G., C.I.E., etc.

12 Hawthorn Gardens

Putney Heath London S.W. 15.

Dear Sir David,

As a result of recent conversations with Professors Bower and Tansy, I have decided to become a candidate for the Glasgow Chair. I am by no means dissatisfied with my present appointment. But the advantages of the Glasgow Chair are obvious, and it makes a special appeal to me, because of my long association with and intimate knowledge of the Department there. It also seems to me that I might in the long run be able to do more to promote the interests of agriculture and generally to link up Applied Botany with academic research from Glasgow than I could hope to do in my somewhat detached position here. It is quite possible that there will be candidates of greater seniority and distinction with whom I can

scarcely compete. On the other hand, I believe I could
make out a good claim for consideration as against
competitors of my own standing. I trust I may count
on your approval and support and, in particular, should
be grateful if you would permit me to include
your name in my list of referees.

Please do not trouble to reply to this letter meanwhile, as
I expect to meet you at the Imperial Conference next
week.

My address from the 4th to the 16th inst is :-

68 FORDWICH RD

BRONDESBURY LONDON N.W.2.

Yours sincerely

Montagu Cunningham.