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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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Nov. 18th / 23.

81, HIGH STREET,
OLD ABERDEEN.

My dear Sir David,

I was calling on Prof. Grant yesterday
& he told me you were coming to unveil the
Memorial to James on Dec. 7th. I am so
very glad you can manage this, & am so
grateful to you for coming North at such
a cold time. Of course there is no one, who
could do it as well nor whom James would
have liked so much. I hope very much
you will be able to spend the night with us.
Longer, of course, if you can.

Brenda & I had a very happy summer;
we were in the Lake Country for about a fortnight
and were very lucky in the weather we had.
Helen & her family of 4 were with us in

September and we had a very nice time
which, unfortunately, was spoiled at the end
by a horrid accident I had. I fell down our
granite stairs & landed heavily on my head
causing pretty severe concussion. It has taken
weeks to get well again & even now I have
to go slow. Brenda keeps very well. She is taking
a Secretarial training and is very keen indeed.
We have heard nothing of Lady Prain or you for
long. I wonder so much whether Miss Thomson
is any better and if you have been able to
get a holiday. It will be delightful to see
you again - like a breath of the past.

I am, dear Sir David,

Yours very sincerely,

K. E. Trail.