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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.

Geneva Sep^r 7th 1902

Dear Mr. Donnell Smith

Pittier's n. 10119 is not in
the collection sent to me.
As my manuscript on *Melioscena*
costaricensis is unpublished,
I should be quite in time
to mention that number
or describe it, if it is a
new species.

So you would greatly
oblige me by sending me
the plant, as you kindly

offer to do. I shall
return it shortly together
with some other specimens
belonging to you and which
are still here.

I am very glad to know
that you are in Europe
and I hope you will,
this time, push as far
as Geneva.

Yours very truly