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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.

Oct 24

1923

Mr C. R. Ball

Bureau of Plant Industry
Washington

Dear Sir:

In the course of botanical
collecting in Glacier Park & the
Canadian Rockies I have found
specimens of willows which I
have not been able to identify
satisfactorily to myself.

Knowing that you have specialized
in willows & have described some
species I write to ask if you
would be willing ^{to examine} about a dozen
specimens I might send & name
them if you can conveniently do so.

At least I would like to have your
opinion of them & would be glad to
reciprocate in any way possible

Yours truly John E. Jack

Oct 14 1923



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I am writing to you
 to let you know that
 I have received your
 letter of the 10th inst.
 and am glad to hear
 that you are well.
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October 27, 1923.

Prof. John G. Jack,
Arnold Arboretum Harvard University,
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Prof. Jack:

Your letter of Oct. 24th is just received, and I hesitate to say that I should be delighted to examine the material mentioned or any other willow specimens for you at any time. I handle about two thousand specimens a year, on the average, from collectors in all parts of this country and Canada. I am very glad to do this because it gives me a much better basis for determining the distribution at a much earlier date than otherwise would be possible. Ordinarily I can give small shipments immediate attention, though occasionally pressure of other matters or absence from the city prevents prompt returns.

Very sincerely yours,

Carleton R. Ball,
Cerealist in Charge.

ARNOLD ARBORETUM HARVARD UNIVERSITY
JAMAICA PLAIN
MASS.

Nov 9

1923

Mr C. R. Ball
Bureau of Plant Industry
Washington

35¢ postage
recd.

Dear Mr Ball; - In response to your generous offer to look over & name some of the willows I have collected & tried to name I send by mail today a parcel containing 68 sheets, many more than I at first intended, I am led to do this in part for your opinion or O.K. about the specimens & in part with the hope that they may be a help to you in your studies of distribution. I am well aware that I have made a mess of the naming & that is why I have thrown up my hands & appealed to you.

We have many more specimens here which I collected in Montana & the Canadian Rockies, &c but those I have sent are among the most troublesome to determine.

Of those collected in Jasper Park, & sent to you, we have some duplicate material unmounted which we could spare if you wanted it & indicated your wishes by my numbers.

yours sincerely

John G. Jack

I enclose return
postage on the parcel

Dec 22

1923

Dear Mr. Ball:

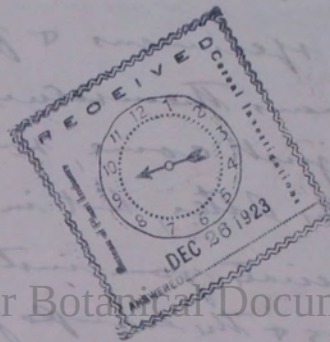
I thank you heartily
for your very kind letter & the
long explanation about the
Salix specimens & for the
specimens themselves which
have just come, some 10 days
after the letter, but in good order.

I appreciate your instructions about
packing & the labels you set me.

I am impressed with the fact that
in our material as a whole you
would find many species not
correctly named.

I shall write again when I
have had time to look over your
determinations with more care &
get out the duplicates you would like.
Thanking you & with best wishes of
the season
yours sincerely
John E. Jack

Dear Mr. Felt:
 I thank you for the
 for your very kind letter & the
 help you have given me about the
 seeds of the tree & for the
 specimens of the seeds which
 have been sent me to keep
 after the seeds are
 I will be very glad to
 keep & the seeds for you
 I am very pleased with the fact that
 in my material as a whole you
 would find many species not
 commonly named.
 I shall write again when I
 have had time to look over your
 determination with more care &
 get out the definite ones more like
 the first one & will keep writing
 Yours sincerely
 John S. Felt



Please return
East Weymouth
Mass.

ARNOLD ARBORETUM HARVARD UNIVERSITY
JAMAICA PLAIN
MASS.

Jan 11 1924

Dear Mr. Ball:

By mail today I am
sending you a bundle with
specimens of the willows you
wrote you would like to have.

I have added a number of
duplicates, the specimens mostly small,
of willows collected by me in
Canada as I thought you might
like to have them for the range.

Among them are one or two more
specimens of what I take to be
your *S. brachycarpa glabripolia*. I shall
be interested to know if they are
correctly named, also if you find
any others misnamed. I fancy that
in spite of Schneider's labors our willows
are in a bad mess as regards names.

Hoping the specimens sent may be of use
to you,
yours sincerely
John G. Jack

