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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.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
WASHINGTON

DENDROLOGY

January 5, 1906.

Prof. C. E. Ball,
Bureau of Plant Industry,
U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Dear Prof. Ball:-

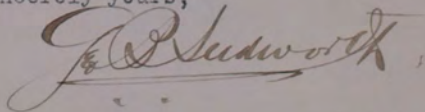
Your letter of January 3 is received and I want to thank you very cordially for your offer of co-operation in the matter of letting me have good herbarium specimens for illustration of the Pacific tree willows. I am enclosing herewith a list of the species I desire.

Thank you very much for suggesting the name of Mrs. Agnes Chase as a botanical artist. I shall be glad to communicate with her and see if she can not do some work for us.

You are welcome to hold our specimens of willows as long as you may require them in connection with the working up of new species.

There are a few more sheets of willows not yet brought together which I shall be glad to have you examine. They will be sent over to you as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours,



1 Enclosure

Chief.

from G. B. Sudsworth
5-I-06

Salix nigra ✓

- " amygdaloides ✓
- " laevigata ✓
- " lasiandra ✓
- " fluviatilis —
- " sessilifolia —
- " cordata mackenzieana
- " lasiolepis ✓
- " nuttallii ✓
- " amplifolia Coville ✓
- " hookeriana ✓ *los only*
- " sitchensis
- " alexensis Coville ✓

Ans. 1-3-07
Rec. Mrs. Chase & look up tree
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apc.

DENDROLOGY

December 12, 1906.

Mr. Carleton R. Ball,
Agronomist in Sorghum Investigations,
Bureau of Plant Industry.

Dear Mr. Ball:-

I have your letter of December 11, and shall at once avail myself of your kind offer to determine our willows. They will be sent to you very soon.

By the way, I shall be in need shortly of specimens of the principal tree willows of the Pacific Coast country for drawings. Our material is rather fragmentary. Do you have good and authentic specimens of these western willows, particularly those of Oregon and Washington, and could you lend me sheets or specimens for a week or so? The best of care would be taken of them and they would be returned to you in good condition.

Do you know of a first-class pen and ink artist whom I could employ at a reasonable compensation to make drawings for me? I have got some work that must be done within a month or six weeks and shall be greatly obliged if you can suggest some one.

Very sincerely yours,

J. B. Purdy
Chief.