

the fine specimens
of conchines and
bivalves I find on the coast.
In one of the
egg-traps
I found some very
fine & thin shells
of the small
bivalve -
Dear Mr Deane -
Do not bother the
clippings, Sandusdale, Wis
Aug 19th
1905-

I inclose what
Paddy would call a collection of
holes! I thought I was drying
the specimens under ample pressure
but I find them very much
distorted. You must soak them
up in hot water in order to get
an idea of the true form. do
not fail to do this.

We all read with much
interest your long letter - a sort
of "midsummer number" as the
magazines have it. Delightful
reading for the lake-side on a
warm lazy afternoon.

I shall be glad of an extra
plate of Deanea - I will "mount"
it on a herbarium sheet - duly
enforce the sheet in a jerns
cover and give it a place in
my herbarium - It will probably
be the only representation of the
jerns I will ever acquire. I
have several personal friends
remembered in this way. Canby
for one, though in this case I have
two or three collections of the plant
as well.

What you say about finding
seedlings of Hamamelis under the
bushes reminds me of a communica-
tion made by Temple & Board to
Garden & Forests (I think it was) several
years ago. They wished to raise the

plants from seed and sent up into
N. H. for a large quantity of
the seeds which were put in
thickly in a long trench. I
think (if I remember rightly) that it
was not till the second or third
year that any of the seeds germinated.
Then with the Tardiness char-
acteristic of the species they began
to come up. These were transplanted
in due time and therefore a
year after year up to the date
of the communication the same
planting and culture) to give
them an annual supply of young
plants.

We were so interested in
your account of the homing pigeons
that we actually expected a
postal by the next mail going

us the latest news.

We go back to Providence ten days from to-day - this is Thursday Aug 29th. The necessity of getting Mattie and Walter ready for their winter in Chicago calls us back earlier than we would go otherwise. The summer has been I think to us all an exceptionally delightful one - nothing in the future prospect of a single member of the family likely to distract in the least degree from present enjoyment - and there it has happened happily that so many of the children came back at the same time.

Please regards of all the Becks to you and Mrs. Deane. Mattie says that "if you don't mind" you can always write to me.



Bebb, M. S. 1895. "Bebb, Michael Schuck Aug. 19, 1895." *Michael Schuck Bebb letters to Walter Deane*

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