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and
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Dear Mr. Deane:-

I was so glad to have a line from you. I am back at Cambridge again, leaving Sarah and Elizabeth at Spruce Point till September. Before I came away I made a special search for that Streptopus but it had clean gone, so I had to come away without it. We never discovered but the one plant.

I chanced to meet Prof. Fernald at the lunch counter this noon and was greatly interested to hear about his trip with Pease and to see some prints of pictures he had taken. I doubt not that another season's work will do a lot to throw light on the nature of the pre-glacial flora of at least parts of the east. Evidently it had much more similarity

27 to that of the Rocky Mts. than
the present coastal and New
England flora has.

You ask about the Barracuda,
sometimes called Hound. It is a
big fish some 4 feet or so long,
with big eyes, a long snout
and powerful sharp teeth. It is
common in the ^{Antilles} ~~Caribbean~~, and I
remember seeing them in the
Bahamas. They are rather voracious
and prey upon smaller fish. Do
you remember Kipling's Deep-Sea
Chantey —

"Our bones will leave the barracut—
And God may strike the Sea."

What a fine sight your eagle must
have been! We saw two this summer,
or saw one on two occasions, better.
It gives one a thrill to watch!

Much love to you in which we
all would join,

Your friend
Glover W. Allen



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