

the most slovenly mess of stuff
I ever saw — a rather thankful
way to speak of a gift I'm
afraid.

Hope to see you in good health
in October —

With warm regards to Mrs. Deane.

Sincerely

Merritt L. Fernald

Lexington, Mass.
Sept. 9, 1899

My dear Deane,

Thank you for your
letter with the enclosures.

I am so sorry that you have
been unable to collect as usual
this summer. I hope however
that you are getting a good
rest.

I have been back in Cambridge
for a month — stopping out
here in the country — but hope
to get up into the Acres back
for a few days of collecting

before the end of the month.

During a three-hour excursion of the Jasselyn Botanical Society the last of June these plants among others were collected on the banks of the Arco Tooth river at Fort Fairfield: —

A Carex which was quite unfamiliar to Prof John Macoun (He went on our excursions) and myself and which proves to be a very unique species (new) nearest related to the arctic C. helvetica; a Thalictrum which in flower approaches only I.

Accidental at the Cascade mts. of Oregon! I am going to make a special trip 200 miles from Orono to get the fruit next week & then we can settle whether it is the Oregon species or undersider; and the Rocky Mountain Potentilla canescens, var. concolor. How's that for three hours between trains?

Have not just sent the Club between three & four hundred Vermont plants mostly with notes pencilled on old news papers, half the dirt of Vermont, and whatever



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