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~~Christ Church Schools,~~
Oxford.

36 Banbury Road

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My dear Spencer

I was "desolé," as
the Frenchman says, when
I returned to Oxford on Friday
evening and found that I had
missed you - it was most
provoking and unlucky that
you should be here on the particular
day that I was away. So there
is no chance of getting another
sight of you before you sail

again for the Antipodes?
I was fully expecting you to
fulfil your promise of coming
back here, on your return from
Germany, to stay with me for
some days, and I really am
very cross with you in that
you went and stowed away
at literature in London, when
the Radcliffe library stood here,
(where you ought to have been)
stuffed with all zoological
literature the most recent as
well as the more ancient.

I am here till Tuesday next.
Then I go up to Town to see
Corals which Hawes has for
me, (I hope), and probably I
shall be there 2 or 3 days. Then
back here for a day or two,
& then home for 3 weeks holiday.
What chances are there of running
against you there next 12 days?
I have seen nothing of you.
Since you were in England, &
I want to explain to you &
convince you that there is a
rick left in Oxford Zoology
Museum. The fact is that there are

No Medicos working at Morphology
now as there were in our time -
they all take Physiology & fit to work
as soon as they can on Human Anatomy.
The few we have are good - and
intend to research - and our later
productions Minchin, Pollard, Günther
are thoroughly good men - as good
as can be made anywhere - Quantity
we cannot expect now, because there
is no career in Anim. Morph. but
quality we can get & are getting.

Yours very sincerely

Robert Bowne

I couldn't remember your address so the
never went, but I have turned it up at last