

July 14, 1947

Mrs. Beatrix Farrand,
Reef Point,
Bar Harbor, Maine.

Dear Mrs. Farrand:

Your letter of July 9th reached me on Friday but I was not able to answer immediately because the whole of Dumbarton Oaks is off for the week end and it was not until this morning that I was able to confer with Miss Carpenter and start getting the necessary accommodations for my trip to Bar Harbor. It will be perfectly agreeable to me and to Dumbarton Oaks, to start my journey on Friday July 25th, leaving Washington at 1:00 p.m., arriving in Bar Harbor on Saturday morning, July 26th. I shall reimburse Miss Carpenter for the transportation from here to Bar Harbor out of the check for \$100.00 which you sent me.

It will be nice to meet the Garlands, Mr. Patterson, Miss Spaulding and I hope Mrs. Stover and Miss Walters too. It is very kind of you to make all the arrangements for my visit in Bar Harbor and I am eagerly looking forward to seeing and talking with you and also feasting my eyes on the wonderful view from Reef Point over the (stepping stones) off shore. Sorry I couldn't get there for the Azalea show.

If it is not intruding too much on your hospitality, I should like to make the journey to Boston by daylight, the last trip was overnight; this would, of course, bring me into Boston late at night but I hope hotel accommodations are not so difficult to secure as they were the last time. I have never seen anything of the famous Harvard Buildings, the Library, nor the famous Agassiz flowers, and would like to do so on this trip. I know I will enjoy the Arboretum more this time, especially now that you are a part of it.

Washington is very humid today and the air conditioning apparatus is working overtime but I find it not so pleasant. I am through putting away all of the Catalogue House material and find much of it in need of replacement. This I want to talk over with you, as well as the future of the Garden Information Center, book purchases &c.

I am sorry you have not been feeling well and hope the indisposition has passed and that you will not be too fagged to have a bout with me.

Until July 26th then,

Very sincerely,