

July 18th, 1944.

Mrs. Isabelle M. Stover,
Reef Point, Bar Harbor, Maine.

Dear Mrs. Stover:

I received your letter of July 5th but have delayed replying to it because I had not heard anything from Mrs. Bliss in regard to the fund of Twenty-five Dollars which Mrs. Farrand mentioned would be forthcoming for the purchase of additional Catalogue House Prints.

I thought I would wait and see if anything developed without a 'prod' and at last it did. Mrs. Bliss was up here one day last week for a staff meeting and casually mentioned that she believed she was to send me a check for the purchase of prints and that 'eventually' I would get it, but she had been so busy she had had no time to attend to it. So now, I can say that I have heard about it and when I do receive it will report to Mrs. Farrand.

The Garden Tours are over for the summer; last Saturday was the final until September 16th. It was getting pretty hot for walking up and down the terraces and the visitors began dwindling. No doubt they will come back with renewed vigor in September.

I am enclosing for Mrs. Farrand's files a report on the number of garden visitors for June and July.

I know you felt sorry for us last week if you read the weather reports from Washington but today is ideal - nice clear skies, a fresh wind and sun and a sharp drop in temperature makes me think of Bar Harbor. Yes, I certainly did enjoy my visit there, the bracing air, the grand drinking water which was a treat to us who have to consume chlorinated water, and of course the very kindly welcome I received made my visit a pleasant memory. I hope some day we may have the pleasure of another meeting.

My vacation starts on August 15th but there is a possibility I may change it to a week earlier - but in any case I will be back here in time to open the gates for the first visitors in September, I hope.

Please give my kind greetings to all at Reef Point and if there is anything you want before I leave, please let me know. Has anything been said about post cards?

Sincerely yours,