

July 18, 1947

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

Dear Mrs. Stover:

Your letter of the 16th reached me this morning asking about reservations from Bar Harbor to Boston and New York. No, I didn't get a round trip ticket as I did not intend returning here and Mrs. Farrand asked only that I arrange for transportation to Reef Point and she would make the necessary arrangements for me from there to Boston and New York. Consequently I purchased a one-way railroad ticket and sleeper to Bar Harbor on July 25th, leaving here at 1:00 p.m. and arriving in Ellsworth Saturday morning, thence by bus to Bar Harbor - I suppose the same as the last time.

It will be very kind of you to make the necessary reservations for me and also to secure a room for me in Boston and reservations from there to New York. I think the train you suggest which leaves Bangor at 3:40 p.m., arriving in Boston at 9:15 standard time will be convenient as the earlier one would not give me any time to do any gadding before that. So if you will make arrangements for my departure from Bar Harbor in time to catch the afternoon train from Bangor, a room in Boston for Tuesday and Wednesday nights, and train reservations from Boston to New York on the night of July 31st, I will be most grateful for your help. That will be leaving Bar Harbor on Tuesday July 29th, staying in Boston through July 30th and 31st and leaving for New York on the late train (not the Federal) which will land me in New York early ~~FRIDAY~~ morning August 1st. I don't have a time table here for the trains from Maine or Boston to New York, but you are probably familiar with the schedules.

I was sorry that Mrs. Farrand wasn't feeling so well when she wrote and hope she will be feeling in condition to have a rendezvous with me. It will be so nice to see you again and my friends at Reef Point and I am looking forward with much pleasure to that visit. Also I shall be glad of the opportunity to visit the library of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and the other library as well as the Arboretum. I think it will be an interesting and exciting week.

Again my thanks and I hope I have made myself clear -- sounds like a lot of talk about one-half of the journey.

All good wishes and grateful appreciation for your offer of help, I am

Sincerely yours,

* Leave Boston Thursday night.