June 22, 1948

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

Dear Mrs. Stover:

I am writing Mrs. Farrand today in reply to her letter of June 11th and the 14th, stating that I can come to Reef Point on either July 9th or 10th, i.e. leave here on either of those dates, if it is agreeable to her and if the room she mentions on Hancock Street will be available at that time. I don't know if she wants me to get my own reservations - in fact I don't want to gum up the works as was done by too much managing last summer. Please say frankly what you think it best for me to do? I am not taking my vacation until the 1st of August and do not intend to include this in my vacation itinerary.

Thank you for suggesting that I bring all lists and other data which will be helpful in working with Miss Shillaber; I will bring a list of all the books we have as the cards would be too heavy. I am also bringing a few of the cards for the plant list, hoping for approval on the work done so far. It is a long slow job and so monotonous.

A large package of books came today from Fiedler, no doubt the ones contained in the carbon copy you sent me, but as yet they have not been brought downstairs, so I can't check them, but as soon as I do I will send you a list.

A few days ago I received a single book on The English Landscape Garden by H.F. Clark, but can't remember from whom it came, and can't find the label, but no doubt you will have a record of its order.—
It is published by Pleiades Books London 1948. I have just noticed in your letter of June 14th that this book was sent to you and forwarded to me, and that you have added it to your copy of my book list. Thank you.

I hope to get home over the Fourth of July week end to see my sister so that I can go away with an easy mind; she is improving but I will feel less anxious if I can see for myself how things are.

Dumbarton Oaks Gardens will close to visitors on next Sunday June 27th until September, and I'm glad of the respite.

With kindest regards and looking forward to a little longer visit with you than we had last summer,