

October 7, 1947

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

Dear Mrs. Stover:

The Books are still arriving from all corners but I think, since the last list I sent, only one has been received of which you do not have a list, viz.,

Miniature Alpine Gardening - L.D. Hills
from Blackwell's. I was waiting for more to add to the list.

I return herewith the bills you sent me from Argosy and Fiedler, and have checked all the books mentioned as every one has been checked in and in good condition. In fact all the books received so far have been clean and in good shape.

In addition to the above, I am sending you page 15 of the list of D. O. Garden Books, to be added to the list previously sent you, numbering 14 pages, giving the books in my possession and those I knew were in the Rare Book Room - this list was prepared while I was here in July and Mrs. Clark was on vacation. She has now returned and I have checked the books she has which I didn't have on my list, and this is the sum total of all the garden books I know of here at Dumbarton Oaks. Hope this won't get you mixed up.

I haven't received any recent catalogues so have no available sources for possible purchases at the moment.

You ask about the teeth and I'm sorry to report that, contrary to the general opinion and advice from those who have the pesky things - mine are not acting as if they liked me. However, I expect to get them sufficiently under control to stay in place and not intrude into the conversation at the wrong time. I'm still whistling occasionally and do plenty of shooshing.

Hope all is well with you and yours - no doubt you are experiencing colder weather in Maine and the coloring must be lovely; our trees are beginning to turn but we don't get that glow that the more northern states revel in at this season. I would like to be there for a soul-satisfying glimpse of the Fall beauty in Maine - I'm sure it would be beyond my fanciest dreams.

I am writing M. Farrand in answer to her letter, with practically the same information; just making sure that I am not slipping up on some important matters.

Sincerely yours,