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

Dear Mrs. Stover:

I returned a week ago today from my vacation and learn from Mrs. Willgoose that you do not seem to have a recent copy of our list of garden books at Dumbarton Oaks. I thought I had sent you a copy when I made up my last one, since which there have been additions, but if I am mistaken, I'm sorry for the oversight, and enclose herewith a new list, up-to-date, with all the books on my card index and in Founders Room.

Mrs. Bliss returned today from Hot Springs to light for two days before departing for Europe on Thursday. She is probably in touch with Mrs. Farrand as I know she is primarily interested in seeing about English books on gardens as well as the gardens themselves. I presume Mrs. Farrand will have returned from Canada by this time and I hope she has benefited by the change. We have just pulled through one of the wettest weeks we have had in ages and I hope we will be able to dry out before another deluge. I have been busy uncovering my office library and found a little mold but not as much as formerly. I worked up to the last minute on the plans and designs returned from Reef Point and got all the sketches filed but have not yet got a place for the remainders. Our gardens will open to the public on October 7th so there is much to be done.

I hope you had a pleasant summer - how quickly it passed.

Do remember me to all my friends, Miss Spalding, Mrs. Doudna, Mr. Patterson &c.,
and with kind greetings to Mrs. Farrand and you,

Very sincerely yours,