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Miss Anne Sweeney
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Sweeney:

It was nice to see Mr. Thacher the other day and to know that he thinks a visit on my part to Dumbarton this autumn an advisability. It now looks as though I should arrive after supper on Tuesday November 6th and stay through Wednesday and Thursday and leave on Friday the 9th. It seems to me wise to send you the agenda that has to do with our joint work. In the first place I would like to know whether you still have a book balance and whether you still have a print-buying balance, and also what you would like to have in the way of new books or new prints and approximately what they will cost. As I will save my time for you to review the work that concerns both of us I am sending you the little agenda to which I hope you will add any question that seems to you pertinent. If you will then return the carbon to me so marked I can go over it and we will both have the problems in mind before we meet.

I spoke to Mr. Thacher about the possibility of preparing a few leaflets on the principle of the Morton Arboretum and the Arnold Arboretum leaflets. Would you like to see whether you would be able to get together a list of what you think the leaflets might be written about, as for instance spring bulbs, ground covers, spring blooming perennials, autumn blooming perennials, autumn fruiting shrubs, spring flowering shrubs, deciduous trees, evergreen trees, daffodils, etc. etc. These leaflets might be about the size of the Arnold Arboretum leaflets, perhaps with an illustration on the front page and two or even three pages of text. See what the word content of this leaflet would mean and have a try at one of them to show me.

Then I would like to know anything that seems to you wise to speak of with regard to your work. So let me know before I get to Washington what suggestions you have and how many of these questions should be eliminated.

Looking forward keenly to seeing you and Dumbarton, I am,

Yours ever sincerely,

Beatrix Farrand