

BEATRIX FARRAND
LANDSCAPE GARDENER
REEF POINT
BAR HARBOR, MAINE

July 12, 1941

John S. Thacher, Esq.,
Executive Officer
Dumbarton Oaks
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Thacher:

As this is your first experience in dealing with your landscape gardener associate please let me tell you that my half-yearly statements are always accompanied by an explanatory letter.

The Agent account in this case I think explains itself as the only entries are for flower and vegetable seeds and the greenhouse seeds which we ordered earlier in the winter before we realized that we would have to restrict our growing space. I have, therefore, told Bryce that some of these Sutton seeds might have to be given away as it was doubtful whether we would need them. Another year of course a much smaller quantity will be ordered.

As my preliminary letter told you the Beatrix Farrand Agent account is a separate one and therefore the bill rendered by her is paid directly to Beatrix Farrand, Agent, and into that account which is not touched except by permission of the client in whose name it stands. Later on in the season I shall ask you for a deposit to Beatrix Farrand, Agent, in order to pay for the bulbs that have been ordered for the winter greenhouse growing, but please do not send anything until I ask for it.

The account for my own time is I think clearly understandable as the various visits are mentioned, together with the work which was attempted, and I hope accomplished. Office work is also specified and the traveling expenses and share of my secretary's time making up the accounts, book-keeping, etc. make up the balance of my half-yearly salary.

Please let me know if the statements are not clear or correct as both Mrs. Stover and I live in dread of a stupid mistake.

I received a letter from Mr. Russell triumphantly saying that he has had a letter from Mr. Bliss regarding certain business questions so he is one move ahead of you and me in the game of correspondence!

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The two Farrands go to Boston tomorrow to be gone a week or more but Mrs. Stover will know where I am and when likely to return as I hope the next time you come over to Bar Harbor you will allow us the pleasure of seeing your mother also.

Yours very sincerely,

Bessie Farrand