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Dearest Gardener:

Many times since you so accomplishedly fell with a sprained ankle, I have wondered whether the good Sips pulled it out and made it well again so that you could do the rest of your strenuous week.

Elizabeth must be revolving with lightning speed in her many royal complications. If it turns out that I can be of use in any way, let me know, but anyhow I expect to be back in Washington on the afternoon of the 7th and to stay until Sunday, the 11th, at the Shoreham and then go back to New York for the fortieth anniversary meeting of the American Landscape Architects (Losh!).

If you want me to give the Elizabethan Gardens talk on the 10th, I shall be delighted to do so. It went better than I fancied it would and several notes have come in saying that it was interesting. The slides were good and, to my mind, showed rather unexpected side lights on Elizabethan methods and mechanisms. Do you think you want this or would you like first to look over the manuscript, which is being retyped as some of it was rather "blind"?

Please give a fond hug to Robert and a more respectful but affectionate greeting to Mrs. Coolidge, and for yourself just what you want from

Your devoted