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Miss Ruth M. Havey Hotel Mayflower Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Havey:

You have, of course, heard from Miss Draper that I have been on a hurried trip abroad to see Mrs. Bliss, to accompany her from Scotland to London and to arrange for her moving on to a country place in England, where mail will reach her for the next few weeks:

Reddish House Broadchalk, near Salisbury Wilts

Mrs. Bliss was most anxious to know how you were and how the work was progressing at Dumbarton Oaks. She would be delighted to receive a progress report from you, asking no decisions as you have full authority for those, but to know how everything is going. I know that you hate to take the time for writing progress reports. Might it not be possible for you to hire a public stenographer at the Mayflower and dictate a brief resume to mail to Mrs. Bliss? I am going to Washington some time next week, I think, and will look forward to seeing you.

As you might have heard, Mrs. Bliss had not been well but she was in excellent physical condition and mind and spirit when I left last Saturday. I flew back with Mr. Thacher as you will have probably heard by the time you receive this letter, and I know you will be seeing him at Dumbarton.

I had an opportunity for doing some very interesting sightseeing in Scotland and London which I shall tell you more of when I see you.

I am glad to enclose your checks etc. If there is anything you would like to talk with me about before writing Mrs. Bliss, I am now back at the office and will be here every day except Thursday when I will be out of town.

With kindest greetings,

Sincerely yours

Ellis Russell Secretary

Enclosures