

January 17, 1951

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

Dear Mrs. Stover:

I have your carbon copy of letter to Staack in regard to catalogues of books offered for sale to Mrs. Bliss and am sorry to hear that Mrs. Farrand has cut all ties with D.O. and the book purchases. You will be sorry to hear that Mrs. Willgoose has been sick and absent from the Oaks since before Christmas. I am doing what little there is to be done for Mrs. Bliss in Mrs. W absence. She is out of the hospital but it will be at least a month before she can return to her desk.

I wonder if you still want me to send you the names of recent purchases to add to your book list, or have you wiped us off your list of correspondents? I am sending you our latest acquisitions, just in case you want to keep track of our purchases:

Wilton Garden by Isaac DeCaux
Jardin de Monceau by Jean Charles DelaFosse
Hortorum Viridario Rumque by Vredeman DeVries
Theatre des plans et Jardinage by Claude Mollet

When you have a spare minute I would like to hear from you as to what is the present state of affairs at Reef Point, how Mrs. Farrand is, and any other bits of news in which you know I am interested. I've no doubt you are busy even if you have holed in for the Winter. Here we haven't had much snow and I do hope it won't wait until Spring as it did last year, just in time to kill off all the early blossoms.

With kind greetings,

Sincerely yours,

Dear Miss Sweeney:

The following letter has been sent to Staack at Mrs. Farrand's suggestion. She thinks you will either give the catalogues to Mrs. Bliss or to Mrs. Willgoose. Probably you know by this time that Mrs. Farrand is giving up a great deal of her work, among which is the D.C. book ordering. Hope you have a good New Year.

Yours sincerely, IMS

January 12, 1951

Mr. Geo. Staack
10 Sea Street
Camden, Maine

Dear Mr. Staack:

From this date Mrs. Farrand will not be ordering any books for Mrs. Bliss for Dumbarton Oaks, and she suggests that perhaps you would send your book catalogues wited to what you think Dumbarton Oaks might like, to Miss Anne Sweeney

3101 R Street
Washington, D. C.

Miss Sweeney will see that the catalogues are given to Mrs. Bliss or her secretary.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year to you and Mrs. Staack.

Yours very truly,

Secretary