

June 22, 1948

Mrs. Beatrix Farrand
Reef Point
Bar Harbor, Maine.

Dear Mrs. Farrand:

Your letter of June 11th has been received but I have not been able to give you a definite reply because I could not say when I would be able to leave. I have been upset about my sister but now she seems definitely on the mend and I feel lots easier and ready to make plans.

I could leave here on either Friday, July 9th, or Saturday the 10th, if agreeable to you and if the room on Hancock Street is obtainable. It is very kind of you to have me and though I am sorry about poor Mrs. Strout, I am sure everything will be just as convenient and besides it is nearer Reef Point.

Do you want me to arrange my transportation here, or would you wish to do it from your end? I feel I must make one more trip to New York before I go to Maine, and will probably take advantage of the Fourth of July week end, when the gardens will have closed for the summer, and conditions here will be more normal. However, I think I should make application before then for reservations and will do so as soon as you say when you can make arrangements for me in Bar Harbor.

With regard to Phytanthoza Iconographia, I was very glad to have Miss Shillaber's and Miss Manx's comments with regard to previous sales &c, so that Mrs. Bliss could have all the data before her. The set arrived last week and is in poor physical condition, badly water-stained, backs loose and several plates missing. I went through all the pages with Mrs. Clark and checked off the missing ones and gave Mrs. Bliss the list. She now asks me to return the books to Mrs. Jones and to thank you for sending such concise information, and she agrees that it would be wiser to expend this sum of money on books which you consider more important for Dumbarton Oaks, and also because there is a set at the Library of Congress and at the Department of Agriculture, should occasion arise to refer to them.

A large package of books arrived today from Fiedler of New York which has not been brought downstairs, but which I will list and report to you. I also received the other day a copy of The English Landscape Garden by H.F. Clark. This I will include in the list for Mrs. Stover.

Kindest greetings to you and all at Reef Point

Sincerely yours,