

February 4, 1943.

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

Dear Mrs. Stover:

Replying to your letter of February 1st, yes, I would like very much to have the Garden Month by Month if it is procurable. When Mrs. Farrand mentioned it she thought perhaps it might be out of print, but if you can get it I am sure it will make a valuable addition to my small library of garden books.

Yes, Washington has been having plenty of snow, but then we are not used to having long winters such as you have in Maine and are not liking it any too well. I don't think we have had as much real winter weather since I've been in Washington as we are having this year; not enough to be short of fuel we must also match it up with an unusual cold season. Last week we had a very large snowfall and it's still lying around on the streets, frozen on the crust and slushy underneath making walking difficult. I managed to keep my equilibrium all during the worst part and as soon as the sidewalks began to dry up I slipped on a tiny piece of ice no bigger than a quarter and down I went, hurting nothing except ruining a pair of stockings which are like gold nuggets these days.

I haven't written to Mrs. Farrand since Christmas as there has been so little doing in my department, but I must write her and give her my latest report.

Thank you for your letter and with all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,