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Miss Anne Sweeney
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Dear Miss Sweeney:

The reason you did not hear from the Arnold Arboretum was that the conscientious Mr. Rehder accurately addressed his reply to me at Dumbarton and it was equally accurately forwarded to me at Yale. Since it arrived I have had not one moment in which to write you. I rather fear that the Faxon prints of which Mr. Rehder speaks will be much too big for us, so perhaps we might take advantage of Mr. Rehder's suggestion that they prepare Arboretum specimens for us at the Arboretum of just the size we need for exhibiting.

Your letter was interesting and of course you were right to get the catalogue house in condition for the party last week. I have rather forgotten what we needed from Lovett's Nursery but I rather think it was a climbing rose which they had used as an illustration in one of their catalogues.

As to the New York Botanical Garden, if they can not answer letters it seems to me they are not very energetic! I confess the notification of the Horticultural Society that you have been elected as secretary is rather amusing as I think Mrs. Bliss volunteered your services to the Horticultural Society with the notion that it was a step towards permanent employment at the Department of Agriculture. Perhaps you could find out by writing to Mr. Morrison's secretary what the hours are and what work was expected so that when I am next in Washington we can straighten out the matter.

Your list of material sounds excellent. Has a map not been installed, as that is something as to which we must poke up poor Mrs. Bliss. Naturally the whirligig is less important than the panels in full view, and when you can get the birds and the trees out of it I should do so and replace them with wild flowers.

Do let me hear from you as I like keeping in touch with anyone as thorough-going, hard-working and altogether satisfactory as you.

Yours ever sincerely,

Beatrix Farrand