BEATRIX FARRAND LANDSCAPE GARDENER REEF POINT BAR HARBOR, MAINE

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Miss Anne Sweeney 1475 Grand Concourse New York, 52, N.Y.

Dear Miss Sweeney:

A letter from you has just come from New York and I am delighted to hear that you are planning to come on September 7th, arriving on Thursday morning September 8th. If you have not already done so you had better immediately make reservations on the through train as the travel at Labor Day is excessivly heavy. If you cannot get a reservation in the through train take a train to Boston which will allow you to transfer from the South to the North Station in time to catch the 9:30 P.M. (E.S.T.) from Boston to here, and write to the ticket office in North Station and say you are a friend of mine and would like to have a lower berth on that date if you can't get the place that you require on the New York direct train.

As there is a great deal of movement to and fro in the days after Labor Day I shall try to get you a lower berth in the through train from here to Washington on Sunday September 11th (as there is no through train on the Saturday) and we will let you know the results as soon as possible.

Mrs. Stover has got back from her holiday and Miss Walter and all of us are looking forward to having you for a few days but feel your visit rather brief. Miss Spaulding has not yet returned from her holiday because she has had rather a bad throat and is taking a few days to rest up and get rid of the nasty infection. I am enclosing a check for \$72.03 to cover the \$22.03 already owed you and \$50. toward your expenses for the Bar Harbor trip. You will have lodging at the same place as before and Miss Walter will meet you on your arrival at the bus depot. With best regards and looking forward to seeing you on the 8th, I am,

Yours ever sincerely. Beating Farrand

There is a Berkshire Garden Center in Stockbridge, a rather modest enterprise but it would seem to me very wise for you to see it if you can manage it, perhaps on your way from New York here. You might go from New York to Stockbridge and then get a train from Pittsfield to Boston and then the night train here. It would seem to me a wise thing for you to do.