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Miss Anne Sweeney
Dumbarton Oaks
3101 R Street
Washington, 7, D. C.

Dear Miss Sweeney:

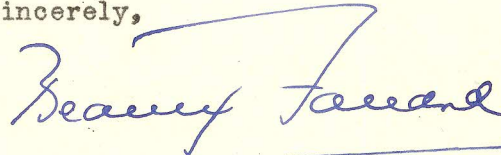
Such a charming letter from you of the 17th of June makes me almost feel as though you had breezed in yourself. You are quite right in thinking that I am recovering but it is slow work especially when one gets to be as old as Mrs. Methuselah! But the doctor tells me I am fundamentally all right if I only will have sense enough to go slowly and above all to cut out all social engagements.

You are quite right in thinking that the Gertrude Jekyll books are perfectly delightful. They are stimulating and worth studying in every way. I have learned much from them. Why don't you take one or two of them away on your holiday?

By all means allow ample space for garden activities in your "underworld" office, as books and prints and all sorts of things are bound to blow in, so be over-generous rather than sensible. Truly I was amazed when I heard that you had had 4200 visitors in May and that since May 1945 you have had other 39,000 visitors, and certainly your record of Dumbarton Oaks postcard sales is a good one. I am trying to push the new postcards as hard as possible and thank you for including the extra one which you are wise to add.

With best regards, not only from myself, but from everyone at Reef Point, I am,

Yours ever sincerely,


Beatrix Farrand