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Miss Anne Sweeney
Dumbarton Oaks
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Sweeney:

It is good to know that we can look forward to seeing you soon and that your sister is on the mend and that therefore you can come down to our part of the world with a quiet mind.

You are quite right in including the days here in your working time as I think we shall keep you pretty busy with the books and the card lists and various other Dumbarton questions.

By all means arrange your transportation on your end of the line, and it would seem to me fairly probable that you could get reservations from here home as the journeying will be eastward rather than westward when you feel you are ready to depart. It would also seem to me perhaps wise not to set too definite a date for your departure as neither you nor I can tell in advance whether you will want to be here a very brief time or whether you will want to give us the pleasure of spinning it out longer. The room can be ready for you whenever you wish to come and it would seem to me wise to arrange to be here about the time Miss Shillaber arrives. She thinks she may come (though this is somewhat uncertain) soon after the 4th of July to take a preliminary look at what there is for her to review and on which to give us counsel, then I think she means to come back about the 12th for a longer and more solid working stay, though how long she will be here I don't know. Let us know when you expect to arrive so that we may make definite arrangements for your housing.

It was good news to hear that Mrs. Bliss had decided against taking the Phytanthoza as it seemed to me a tremendous price for a book that was not likely to be immediately useful or in the line of what we were trying to acquire for Dumbarton. If you see Mrs. Bliss before she disappears for the summer tell her that she may feel that many of the books being acquired seem of comparatively trifling importance, they nevertheless from my point of view have their usefulness and they either bear immediately on a gardening problem or have to do with a literary or horticultural background.

Again sending you good wishes and hoping to see you at your convenience, I am,

Yours ever,

Beatrix Farrand

*How about a \$10.00 ch.
for your travel to here? Let me know, a
the date you'll arrive - Why not come after
Miss Shillaber gets here, say July 13 - or so*