BEATRIX FARRAND LANDSCAPE GARDENER REEF POINT BAR HARBOR, MAINE

June 6, 1945

Mrs. Robert Woods Bliss 1537 28th Street Washington, D. C.

Dearest Mildred:

It must have been churlish to you to ask you not to telephone but as our house is auch a sounding board and we have only one telephone it seemed wise to give you the warning sign. The long journey was of course a terrific strain for Max and he has not yet got over the fatigue and the tension of it, but he is so happy to be back home and in his own room and looking out on his own garden that it is heart-touching. He is of course far from well but we are mercifully fortunate in having secured in Boston the nurse who has looked after him twice before and who is therefore entirely devoted to him. She is a splendid surgical nurse and a very fine person and we are hoping to get two other nurses here who will carry us over this present hilltop.

On top of the journey I acquired a nice attack of lumbago but this was providential as it kept me in bed three or four days and gave me a thoroughly good rest, and now although moving with considerable stateliness somewhat like Queen Mary I am again valid although the weather is so devilish that one can't get out, as rain wind and fog have succeeded each other almost incessantly for the last ten days.

Our best to you both,

Yours always

Max seems quite comfortable, a Now Mai the worry of the journey now Mai the worry of the journey in past, Ithink we'll let ours elves does a bit.