

BEATRIX FARRAND  
LANDSCAPE GARDENER  
REEF POINT  
BAR HARBOR, MAINE

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

Dear Miss Sweeney:

I hope you will pardon my delay in answering your nice letter of the 12th, and also accept my thanks for the very pretty Christmas card. I have been having trouble with my hands - swelling rather badly and full of arthritis - and this as you can guess is bad for a typist. They are gradually getting better but I still find it hard to sit down to type for more than an hour, whereas six or seven hour stretches were a common thing!

As to the books ordered, neither of these were available at the time. I have in my files a list of books which you now want and am in hopes to be able to get some of them for you.

Mrs. Farrand asked me a few days ago to let you know that she had received a \$50.00 check from Mrs. Bliss for "additions to the Catalogue house" and this sum is on deposit in the Agent account. I presume you know what to order, etc. from it. I will really try to get to work and get some of the books for you if at all possible, but a good many are either out of print or just "unavailable". You can see by the mistakes in this letter that I have a long way to go to get back to "normal".

Hoping you have a fine and happy  
New Year, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

*Sabell M. Storer*