

BEATRIX FARRAND
LANDSCAPE GARDENER
REEF POINT
BAR HARBOR
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July 26, 1947
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Mrs. Robert Woods Bliss
Hotel El Mirasol
Santa Barbara, California

Dear Mrs. Bliss:

Mrs. Farrand is greatly disappointed not to have been able to answer your letter of July 7th fully and at length, but it seems hard for her to gauge her strength and she has again overtired herself so that the doctor has urged her to take things as easily as possible for awhile. She will return you the copies of letters, etc. within a few days.

Just now Mrs. Farrand is rather housebound with an attack of lumbago which perhaps is a good thing as it will keep her quiet. She asks me to thank you most heartily for the check for \$300. for which the formal receipt is enclosed. She asks me further to say that after seeing Miss Sweeney she will go ahead with some of the everyday purchases which Miss Sweeney has not in her list, and she will also consult Miss Sweeney as to whether she knows of any certain things in Mrs. Clark's care, so that Mrs. Farrand will not duplicate any costly books.

When Miss Sweeney comes Miss Farrand is hoping she and Mr. Patterson will make a fuller acquaintance with each other as it seems to her essential that there be confidence and friendship between the two leaders of the garden and the book department. Mrs. Farrand asks me to send you her dearest love and to say that just as soon as she is a little rested and her back eases up she hopes to send you a real letter and not a substitute.

Yours very sincerely,

Isabelle M. Stover