

September 30th, 1932.

Mrs. Juliana Force,
10 West 8th Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Force:-

I am much obliged for your letter of September 29th. I cannot think what happened to any telegram, the last communication I received was a letter. I certainly never received it, nevertheless I apologise for the apparent discourtesy.

We will send you a complete estimate for putting the material in place and otherwise completing the fountain with the least possible delay.

As far as getting the stone work in free of duty is concerned, I am afraid there is absolutely no chance. I do not think we could even make an application. The government would be far too apprehensive of complications with the local masons, and in any case the provisions of the Customs Act on this head are not such that they could be got over by an Order-in-Council. The duty would be 40% ad valorem.

May I again say how much we appreciate Mrs. Whitney's generosity and how much we are looking forward to the final completion of her wonderful gift.

Yours faithfully,

Wilfrid Bovey.