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Dear Miss Morgan!

We ought to have some protection from the draught when the door of the West lobby opens - in this windy cold weather.

1. Shall we put merely heavy curtains across the opening into the big room?
2. Shall we put a grille as well as curtains
3. Should we not also have ^{wooden} doors at the entrance - either inside as at the East lobby

or outside as we once planned
for this West entrance.

It would make the main
room more cozy in appearance
as well as in temperature
if we had some such protective
feature.

As things are now the lobby
is rapidly becoming the living
room on account of its superior
warmth and comfort.

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We had a lively time in house
A last night. The storm was
severe and I spent most
of the night ripping off the
weather stripping in my room.

The darn stuff sounded like
a flock of saxophones going
at full tilt in a jazz band.

We must make all these
exposed rooms in A and in
the other houses too - and in

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the main house water air
and noise proof.

We must reconstruct the
windows. They should be
made heavier and should
have sills and should also
have the dove tail type of
weather stripping.

I advised Mr. Rossi to
make two inch ^{out} doors inside
and outside on the double
windows and to use plate
glass twice as thick as he
now has and to put the
big French bolts inside

and out, we must build these windows as if we were on ship board. We have almost the same storm and strain to encounter.

In the big house let us realize in advance what we have to meet and have everything built of the heaviest material at first so there need be no change

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I have been looking over the patio. I think the two stories can be carried around the whole top on each side except for about twenty feet ^{north} ~~east~~ and ~~south~~ of the main building. That twenty feet ^{on each side would} ~~would~~ be a sort of a light well giving light to the windows of the bed rooms in the Doge's suite. This light well could

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be decorated with the pergolas as you suggested. This second story construction should give us about four comfortable bed rooms and accessories on each side - eight in all. The south side bed rooms could be used by the heads of households staff. The north side bed rooms by guests. We must manage to work in stairways somewhere inside the building.

The towers I think can be carried up prettily and made as tall as the architectural

require much demand. We
can put pigeons in them
and feed the pigeons in the
court as they do in Venice.

Regarding the garage - I
think we should have low
buildings around a large
court or possibly two courts.

The garage I suppose should
be on the side nearest our
hill - the quarters of the help
on the east side. Chauffeurs
gardeners electricians horse
men and men help of nearly
every kind can live over
there - those who don't live
at the bay. I imagine they
should have their own cook
kitchen and dining room &c.
I think only the distinctly
domestic help should be on
our hill.
Over on garage hill should

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be the saddle room the gun
room and at least a couple
of other well ordered store rooms
with cedar closets ~~where~~ where
~~riding~~ riding clothes tennis
duds and the various sizes
and kinds of boots breeches
coats hats ~~etc~~ that it is
necessary for us to keep in
stock ^{for visitors} can be carefully
classified and neatly kept
until required. One room
should be for mens clothes,
one for womens, ~~etc~~ it can
have storage space enough

over there,

There will be shops over
there too machine shop, blacksmith
shop electricians shop and
apartments. These might well
be on the north side where
not very noticeable

I think we can find practical
satisfaction of many of our
needs over there.

Sincerely

W. R. H. A. C.

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