

entertaining
little letter.

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My Dear Anna.

I must confess that writing (as I am now) with nothing to say is a sort of ceremony more than anything else. About the only observation which I made on the way down was one which I have often made before; namely the very curious way everyone, the moment they get their foot on board claim proprietorship in the steamer and always talk about "Our steamer" and funnier stete

the way they take credit for
all the steamer does well,
saying for example, "We are
getting up steam" but if
anything goes wrong then it
is all the "captain's" fault.
Just as the steamer got to
Mussy bay it began to rain
furiously and all the people
who landed there got wet
to the skin or ~~even~~ deeper;
it fortunately however held
up while we were landing.

The house is just about
what I expected it to be, the
woist of it being that but

you see into every room in the
lower flat at once?

"The men" is just now making "des
ameliorations" in front of our house
before he began the strata of rocks (Ahem)
were all sticking up among a medley of
chips and stones, at an angle just
as if they wanted to look in at
our front windows.

The musquitos here are abundant.
at home when you see anything
flying along in the dusk you look
twice at it to see if it really is a
musquito, but here you never need
to do that; hit at any thing you
see flying, even a flock of dust and
when you get it down it is sure
to be a musquito. Mama says she
wants part of the back of this sheet so
I must pull up short. Please tell
papa that I took those moths down
here and that there are two moths

out now, one of whom has laid
 some eggs so I want him to send me
 the American Naturalists. Or at any-
 rate the one which gives an account of the
 management of the eggs and young caterpillars
 by the earliest opportunity. I sent the
 A. N.'s down with some other books to the
 library before leaving. You may distrib-
 ute a little of my love, but only to those
 who will value it as I am saving it all
 up down here.

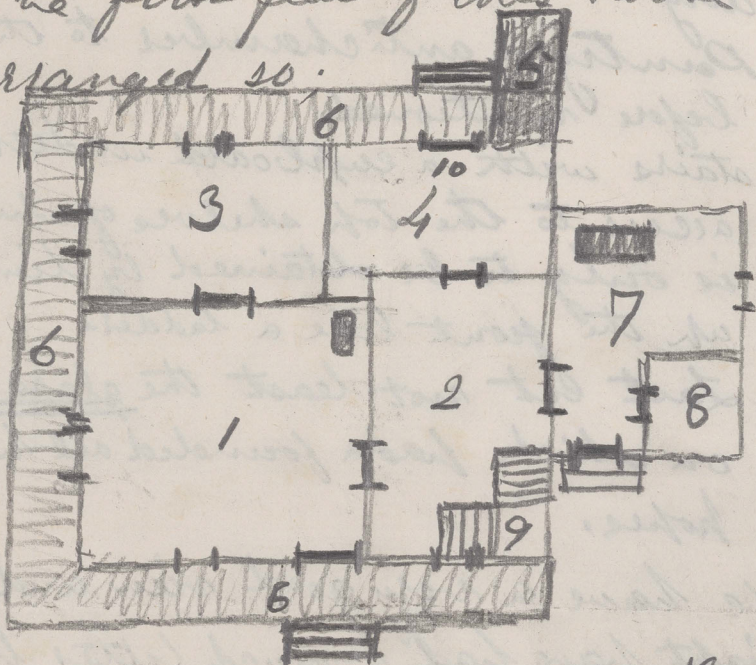
I suppose I need not mention
 that I still remain.

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 been saving
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one pane of each window opens.
 The first flat of this house is
 arranged so:



1 Drawing room (center with a fireplace
 of trumpets) and the
 small stove

2 Appoy for dining room.

3 Mamas bed room containing a red faced
 attenuated chest of drawers

4 My bedroom containing all the
 modern conveniences including an
 oven &c

5 enormous oven.

6 gallery intended to come into
 fashion when crinoline goes entirely
 out

- 7 Lean - too kitchen decidedly airy
- 8 Pantry or antichamber to the before mentioned
- 9 stairs with a cupboard underneath access to the top shelves of which is only to be obtained by climbing up the front like a ladder.
- 10 Last but not least the glass door on which papa founded all his hopes.

We have a very good view and might have had a much better but that "the man" (on the principle no doubt that we may have too much of a good thing) ~~had the~~ has put the L house between us and the best view, and the milk house in the same position relatively to us and the next best.

Now I have got a conundrum for William to puzzle out in what part of the house can you

Dearest Anna - There are a few things
 I wd like you to bring with you. Salt
 gany - 6 egg cups - Cushion - bibs for children -
 Cows for bed Cushion (white Cotton Cover)
 My flannel jacket I wear when dressing. Tell
 Maria not to send any of the largest shats
 for our bed. There is not convenience for washing
 them here. 1/2 lbs starch in quarter packages.

I earnestly hope you are taking every reasonable
 precaution against illness. I don't say it is very hot in
 Montreal. I long to hear your examinations are over.
 Watch any appearance of illness in paper & William
 George keeps me very little in speaking for me. I
 want to say so much about attentions for Lady M. Garry
 as adding a ^{little} ~~bit~~ of ^{kindness} ~~words~~ which shuts off a good piece
 of your mind. I can't tell how much
 I thank you.

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