

New York, May 26, 1897.

Mr. A. D. Irving,

My dear Sir: You promised to send me a memorandum of how you wanted the different rooms in the new wing finished. If you will kindly fill out opposite the names of the rooms marked "~~wing~~" the finish of each, it will facilitate ^{me} time in getting out the specification. The rooms will be as follows: -

oak Library, *oak* (no wainscot) —
white Dining room, *white* old fashioned paint; glaze finish —
oak Childrens' room, *white* Oak — 1 ft - 6" base in room with no wainscot
oak Billiard room, *oak* wainscot.

Second story:

white } Mr. Irving's room, *colour* *white*
Pine } Mrs. Irving's room, " as hereafter decided by owner —
4 Red room, " " " " "
4 Dressing room, " " " " "
4 Yellow room, " " " " "
2 floor white painted —
2 stairs, & Hall. Mahogany Balustrade, white Balusters & steps —
Oak *river* Main wing in third story, { Banisters, or Balusters

White Pine Green room, *colour* as decided by owner —
" — Louise's room, " as shall be decided by owner —
" — Eveline's room, " as shall be decided by owner —

Yours very truly,

Also do you want hard white finish everywhere? — *Everywhere*
finish in Billiard Room? — *Saw finish same as present stairway —*
hard wood ceilings? — *A Painted Ceiling in the*

~~Dining Room would make a rich effect.~~

Do you want the D.R. wainscotted? ~~Yes~~

Do you want " Second story room? ~~No? Yes~~
~~only in Mr. Livingston's room~~

Do you want oak floors all over? ~~Yes~~

~~Just oak in 1st floor except children's room~~

~~Just below in Billiard Room. D.R.~~

~~Library. Plain oak above everywhere? - Yes~~

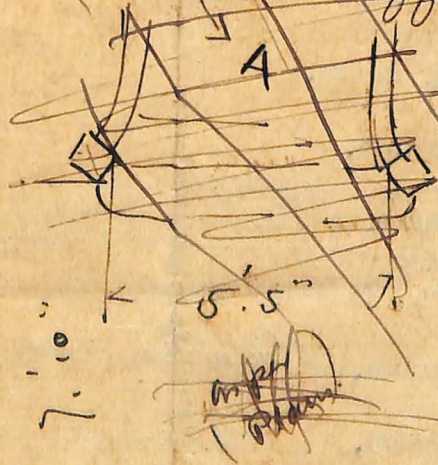
~~Room. Third story H.C. Pine in oak? - Yes, oak~~

~~Extra wide surface wherever there is no wainscot. 1-6" high~~

These questions must be settled
before I can complete specification.

Very truly
Wm. H. Merriam.

The stair was made as per A. only after a good
deal of study had been
put on same by
you & Mr. Livingston and self.
Before I would like you
stair builder to change stairs
to be sure it is right to take 10 1/2" off
at foot.



of stair, and
nearly a
foot off
the passage
in front of
stairs.

Take up water

We played the newels - to get wide stair at start
like your present stair.