

Rideau Club,
Ottawa.

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My dear Walter,

I got back here
yesterday in safety & only
a few minutes late, although
I note that trains appear to
have been blocked every where
last night & today by drifting
snow, coming in conjunction with
the extreme & prolonged cold.
I hope that you will insist
on the proper attention being
given to your furnaces, for so
many days of cold weather will
gradually penetrate the walls, &
apart from discomfort, may result in

progen pieces of you are not
careful. This, I have no doubt
will be the last really severe spell
of the winter.

Dr Blackadder when I saw him
on Sunday, wanted particularly
to impress on me the necessity of
keeping you from letting your
own health run down, but in
course in this I can do very little
except to press you to carry
out any instructions he may
give, & that I hope you will do,
even if it should be necessary
to get assistance during the
night to enable you to secure a
sufficiently long & undisturbed sleep.
Do not let the question of cost interfere

in any way with what may be thought best under the
 circumstances, for I shall be only too happy to
 assist in this matter & shall be glad to be called
 upon & know that I may be aiding in some way.

This reminds me that Clara will probably be home
 again next week & that, for some time, she will be
 required I suppose to take whatever duties she may enjoy
 every day by driving. I should like to provide for
 this if you can arrange it, & it would be very
 nice if you could yourself take a drive with

her at some fixed hour. — Let me know
 what you may be able to do about this.

I was talking to Florence by phone a little while ago
 & she tells me that W. is immersed in writing
 out father's article, or whatever it is, on Revolutions.
 She seems to think that, what with references &
 so on, it will be quite a lengthy task.

I am
 Yours
 George

