The specification I send you is not to be given out, but to serve as a test or explanation, as far as it goes, and therefore I have marked upon the margin notes, leaving it to you to decide between two modes of executing the work, as your builder may find most expedient and easy.

Perhaps you will find it difficult to get stone to large for the water table, as I had hoped by 4 ft. 3 in. maximum. The thickness is of little moment if the top, or wash, between the arcade can be flanked up with cement, so as to prevent the weather getting in behind. The whole might be cemented like the church, and if care were taken to sod close up to it the stucco would not get shattered and dirty, and come off too soon, as it generally does when exposed to damp and access of rude people. It will be still less likely with the hollow basement wall intended behind this course or water table.