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My dear Joe,

A line about our Anglo-Catalan Conference here next Easter vacation. I have now booked accommodation for all of us in Crewe Hall, one of our 'residencias', for the week-end March 29th-April 1st. It is a comfortable place where it will be possib_le to hold our meetings and, also, be easy to lay on a bar: While there is no need as yet to circulate members about this, I thought I'd let you know that it has been done.

There is one matter, however, that I think should be attended to at once, namely the invitation to Pevsner to give us a lecture(with illustrations) on Gaudi. It is likely that he has a well-booked-up time-table, so could you, Joe, write to him asking if he would oblige. We could offer him the evening of the 29th or the 30th March, he would be the guest of the Society at Crewe Hall, and we should also pay him first-class travelling expenses. I know Paul asked him for this last Conference, and I don't think a fee was then mentioned. Presumably if this is his practice, he would let us know. If we can get him to Sheffield, I shall try to arrange for a large audience, made up of us and our local Society for the Encouragement of Art, so that it would be worth his

while to make the trip. Let me know the results of your invitation to him. I don't know if he still lives in Cambridge, but Who's Who would enlighten you.

I am trying to fix up the Riba visit. So far five universities agree to sponsor it, but Cambridge and Oxford have so far remained silent. We'll see.

With all good wishes,

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