



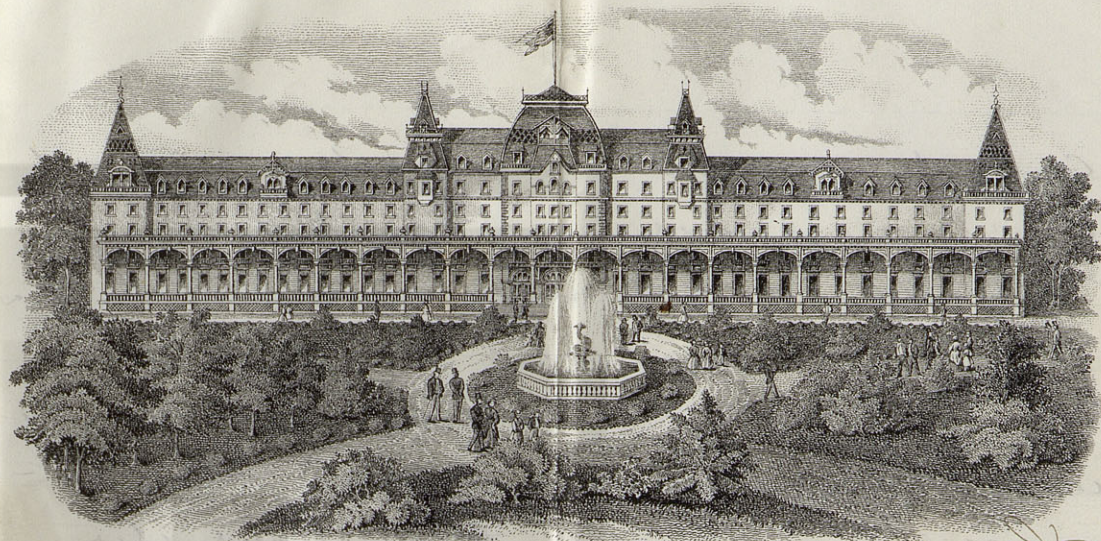
Fort William Henry Hotel

Lake George, Aug 1st 1871

Dear Anna

When I left home - a week ago yesterday - only one letter had been received at home from either your sister or yourself - and that credited to your account - it seemed very strange that with one who possessed such a nicety of sensitiveness and true knowledge of propriety as your sister does - she did not propose to you the idea of writing often - especially as you both were located at a strange place, newly on an

recognize, and all awaiting at home
 the decision whether, or not you were
 pleased with your surrounding sit-
 uation and the comforts of the
 Hotel - board - room &c - now I do
 hope my dear little sister that
 the close proximity with which you
 are brought with your sister, she will
 not inculcate into you her only
 fault and that is a total abhor-
 ance of the medium of pen and
 paper, to convey ideas upon -
 write more regularly my dear little
 sister and you will better gratify
 your mother who is more than any
 other on earth to you - remembering
 that you inherited ^{from} her your tender,
 heartedness and sensitive feelings -
 But no doubt you will think me very
 ungenerous to sit down and pen you
 an old maid letter instead of something
 pleasant and more agreeable - well
 I will now try and interest you -
 Josie Dick - Miss Owen and intimate friends
 and myself started for Niagara Falls
 a week from yesterday by the way.



Fort William Henry Hotel

Lake George,
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Josie's dear little sister
 to Emma's young friend
 1872
 All

of the Erie Rail Road at 9 a.m. our mode
 of traveling was the elegantly furnished
 car known as the President's car or to
 make it more plain the car used by
 the President when he travels on the
 road on business or pleasure - you
 remember the car we came up in as far
 as Springfield - well something similar
 to that only instead of having all down
 chairs in - made into one large room
 with four sofas - four easy chairs and
 a large center table - and on each end
 of the car a large room convertible into
 a bed chamber - it would hardly be
 worth while for me to describe the

Comfort attendant upon such a style of
traveling - I will leave you to judge for
yourself - we did not arrive at Niagara
until about midnight being 15 hours
(nearly) travel - such is one of the conven-
iences attached to having rich relatives -
we remained at the Hotel until the
following Monday - yesterday having
a very nice time indeed - left yes-
terday getting up at 5.30 a.m. leaving
on the #30 train and arriving at the
beautiful place at 9.30 last evening
in the rain but we were fully repaid
for it this morning - as the weather
is indeed charming - judging from
the very agreeable weather they are
having in New York from paper accounts
I should judge it were quite cool
at the mountains - we will leave here
Thursday - stop at Saratoga Springs
over night and re at home Friday -
If the remainder of the trip is agreeable
as it has been up to the present time
it will be to me indeed an unusually
pleasant one - Give my love to your
Sister & believe me your Brother Al

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