



I mentioned in
my last letter
how you should
direct my letters
in the future and
not to write and
after Oct 15th or
16th *Alfred*

Joie and are attending
Schmidt this morning
English service -
Episcopalian and
The church packed.
Beautiful clear
cool - day.

Dear Mother.

Sunday Sept 29th 1872

Your very welcome mis-
sive dated Sept 12th was duly awaiting
my arrival at this place the 25th
inst. a very direct ^{and} quick transit
considering that it had to be re-
mailed from the Bourse at Paris
if all mails were as prompt in
delivering letters consigned to them
I think we would be more regular-
ly informed of each others where-
abouts - happening fortunately to
mail a letter just in time to
catch a steamer ^{and} a quick trip
^{and} mailing a letter just so as to
miss a steamer ^{and} after that delay
to encounter a stormy ^{and} slow

passage - are the two extremes which
very materially make up the dif-
ference in time of the receipt of
two letters - there are a great many
calculations ^{and} mis-calculations
which readily put to flight the
satisfaction of receiving letters
promptly via "European Mail" - going
abroad to enjoy oneself of course must
mix its pleasures encounter ^{and} co-
mingle annoyances ^{and} I presume
we can't call this anything else -
But I will leave the apparent nu-
merous reasons why ^{and} why not let-
ters are not more regularly cor-
responded between the two countries ^{and}
by commencing again my "diary like"
letter endeavor to open to you main-
tenance ^{and} doings of the last (past)
week's "campaign" - Leaving you in
my last letter at Trieburg -

Sept 22 ⁵/₄ Service bring only in French



Wednesday Sept 25th leave Lausanne
at 9 a.m. - omnibus about 20 min-
utes to "Orchys" then take boat - very
windy and a little rough - "Geneva Lake"
is about 45 miles long and from 5 to 8
miles wide - it rained after we had
been aboard about an hour and the
trip was unpleasant and cold - but
being well prepared we were not
inconvenienced arrive at Geneva
about 12.30 - arriving at Hotel D'E
Russie to which place I had en-
trusted the Comier to telegraph
and procure rooms I was very much
surprised to find as he himself
also that there had been some
misunderstanding about our time
of arrival and there was not any
accommodation in the house - here
was a nice fix - rainy unpleasant

Hotels are full to overflowing from the fact that the last two or three days had been disagreeable ^{and} no one had left. All the hotels or at least quite a number of them were applied to - but each in their turn gratified me with the same response - Seven persons ^{and} the accommodations I desired were not to be had - well at last I was forced to take such accommodations as I could find - ^{and} was obliged to climb Aunt Mary up to the 3rd story of a hotel - poor rooms and mean accommodation - we all bore it as good naturedly as possible although I must confess Mr. Louvier good a full share of fault from myself although with a city like Geneva at the height of the Season ^{people} unable to get away on account of the weather - how could we expect

to be pleased right upon the instant - the Louvier said he would inquire ^{and} see what accommodations could be had for the next day - I informed him I would take that matter into my own hands ^{and} after satisfying myself every nook and corner in all the first class hotels were occupied - I received a promise of the best that could be done for the following day.

Thursday being a fine day - before 9 O'clock I had as fine rooms as any could wish ^{and} the best in one of the best hotels (the present in Geneva) - by ten O'clock our quarters were transferred - we did not lose much time - I wrote to Paris some time ago about rooms and up to the present inconvenience had not received any answer ^{and} as it was as much annoyance to me

as being one and as we expected
to feel Paris about 1 day
resolved not to have a repetition
especially at that time. Paris was
be full of New Yorkers - accordingly
I left London Thursday an
Express train arriving Paris after
traveling all night at 8 a.m.
During the last morning which
wanted but wish the exception of
delaying our arrival two days
I could not get the rooms until
that date met in a young man
found I spent the day in Paris
very agreeably - leaving Paris again
the same day at 8.40 P.M. ar-
riving again at London Saturday
at 10.45 A.M. Mary was very much
puzzled to hear from the carrier
who met me at the door that
And Mary said, had another male
boy - very short broad chested
he was eating meat and
eat nothing but bread
had not been at the door
better at home than
up and around the
and among the
daddy now and no
but around the
wrote you more
her about a new
with her sending love - for received your letter some time

did not avail myself - afternoon raining
and unpleasant - Eve listened to some
very fine music upon the organ
at St Nicholas church of which I
spoke in my last letter - Monday
Sept 23 - left Freiburg on 11.47 Express
arriving at Lausanne at 1.45 - a
very pretty little town situate on
very high ground and commanding a
most charming view of Lake Geneva
and surrounding mountains - a very
pleasant ride after 4 o'clock dinner
giving ample opportunities for
splendid and varied scenery -
Tuesday Sept 24. Leave Hotel (Gibbon)
all of us - two large "landaus" about 10
o'clock drive to "Vevey" about two hours
drive along the side of the "lake" - varied
and charming scenery lending it -
powerful aid to a charming ride
stopping at "Hotel Monnet" to order
dinner we drove on about one hour

until we arrived at the castle of
Chillon - a romantic appearing old
edifice of historical fame - built
with its foundation upon a rock
and projecting into the lake - from
its iron grated windows beautiful
panoramic effects of mountain
and lake scenery can be indulged
in to real ^{and} wonderful satisfaction
it was built by the Count of Savoy
1238 - within its walls Gourevard a
defender of ^{the} "Swiss" cause was con-
fined by the Duke of Savoy for
years - being chained to a massive
pillar in the cellar ^{and} having on
a chain only three feet long - so runs
the historical fact ^{and} not a legend
returning to dinner at the Hotel
at "Vevey" at 3 P.M. ^{and} returning
by the coast of the afternoon - were
pleased ^{and} gratified I speak
collectively ^{and} not only for myself.

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