March. 31. 1852.

Quite a saving day, rather sul-
try. Dr. Liggins & Thain, and -
myself took a long and tedious
ride in going to the Different Le-
gations and Departments to
get our Passports Visé, - first to
the Russian Legation, Rue Dauphi-
ne No. 11. next to the Sardinian
Legation Rue Caumartre No. - and
then to the Tuscan Embassy,
Rue Saint-Dominique No. 134 -
afterwards to the Prefect de Police
and to the Ministers of Foreign
affairs, "Ministre des Affaires Etran-
gères," - the Visés cost us about
Seventeen or eighteen francs, - we

even at Home again at 1-5
O'clock; having made all ne-
cessary arrangements
for starting on the morrow at
8 O'clock, by five minutes, -
having deposited my Bank-
Book &c with a Thousand -
Francs in the hands of my
Friends Mr. & Mrs. Lucy Place
1, Ecole de Médicine No. 15. -
after Dinner, had a visit from
Baron Corajoud my former teacher
in Munich and a Surgeon of the
English Army. Dr. Daniel who
brought me a letter from my
good friend Dr. Shaw of London
and spend the evening pleasantly

1.

over a bottle of genuine Rhodesian
— Sparkling Burgundy and
was in bed at Eleven, thinking
of my own native land. — — —
April 11

Cool and cloudy, up by the
dawn, early light and astir.
Bathed and breakfasted, squared,
a few little bills and set out
for Chalon, via le Chemin de
Fer de Lyons. Passed Dijon a nice
and well arranged Town, at 5 Oclock
arrived at Chalon at 9 Oclock by
a gradient, we were much annoyed
by two boys who were over anxious to take our sacks and serve
as guides to a Hotel, we finally

succeeded in getting clear of-
their spears, & soon were left in
their stockaded village in
possession of Heaven upon
our devoted heads, - We finally
pulled up at a Hotel, had
dinner, and a bed until 5 -
o'clock. — —

April 2. - Cool & still cloudy
weather this point of the journey
and we were aboard again a-
little long and narrow boat
that they called a fisket Ship,
Schooner, — on which we had
coffee and bread with which
we soon finished and swiftly down
the river Lot little river, Lorne, -

on the right-hand side of which
is a beautiful chain of
mountains and many lovely
villages, however we found
many of these an the left as
well; the natural scenery is
good, tho, nothing extraordinary
we have several Italian Books
on board, which — Their
destination we however made
arrive at Lyons 11 pm. Oclock, This City
has the appearance of much business
Commerce tho a great Military Depot
saw a great many Soldiers, Cavalry
and Infantry, then being matters of
special interest — hence we concluded to
make our way direct to Marseilles

papers directly thro, Lyons, which contains one hundred and fifty thousand people, the houses generally well built and handsome, the principal bridge that we came over is stone; it is built of limestone rock and iron; - next down the Rhone, the natural scenery of which is beautiful, being hilly and romantic, and a delightful country we saw many lofty mountains thro' which the river winding presents a variety of ordinary appearance. Had a passage on board about my Books and was about seven

-ing effects, when a French
gentleman reminded him of
(and) (injunctions of)
the Decalogue, and had the kind
-ness to impress us, of the
privileges that this indiscretion
was stabbing with his proper
-ty. This letter they (who had so-
-ppsh disregarded the Mosaic
Law and the rights of man,)
upon being questioned on this
delicate subject, replied that he
was a German, and could not
speak French; - may he learn
to do better! -, just before
arriving at Valence we passed the
College in which the Emperor
Napoleon was educated, - an

the other side of the River and nearly
opposite the village that con-
tains this College. Also
many lofty hills, and spacious
among them is the one an-
cient Roman Castle
(now in ruins) was erect-
ed. This is the direction of
country that produces the
sparing and frothy celebr-
ated Hermitage Wine,
arrived at Clarence, 6 o'clock P.M.
we were then round into a Diligence
for Rheims 93 miles distant - we
passed the night in this miserable
village with six of us in the
middle Compartment, which would

not compass accessable
with the "dark hole of Calcutta"
about 9 Oclock our Drives
fell asleep, and suspended the
horses to carry the Religious
with much force against a-
stone wall, which produced a
longitudinal fracture of the
tongue to the right and disam
post of all of the passengers.
we miraculously made our-
selves secure until 7 Oclock
this morning when we arrived
at Berhampore, a civil Station
upon the Bhaire,-
dist 1, 3. at the last Encampment
Soon we took the Cars for

Marseilles, at which place we
arrived at 11 p.m. A clock A.M.
after a delightful Trip
The handsome Countries that
I have ever seen, the princi-
pal production, grapes, wine
and olives, after getting our
Passports Visé by the Amer.
Consul, and the Prefect de Police
we strolled about the City, the
one found nothing of special
interest; it being principally
a commercial Town; at
6 1/2 O'clock P.M. we left for
Genoa upon the Neapolitan
Steam Ships, Maria Antonetta
after witnessing a most lovely

Sunset upon the Predetermined sub-dominion of [redacted] Sunset Tavern Oriental Style, while despatching Rare delicious fruits and choice fish, flesh and fowl. my friend Higgen Bothans made the acquaintance of a stiff and cold impound John Bull, and unpaid that of a loquacious and intelligent Frenchman. - we passed the evening pleasantly, turned into our berths about 5 and had a comfortable night.

4. Sunday mild and nearly clear, passed Nice at 8 o'clock

this morning; had a fine view
of the snow capped mountains
on the coast, our Ship glides
smoothly on, and all things seem
well; will make Genoa about
noon - to-day; when we were
about twenty five miles away it
came on to blow and we had it
rather roughish, consequently did not
get in until 6 Oclock; we saw
many handsome villages on
the coast, the houses seemed well
built and tastefully arranged, —
we had a good days and let few
things escape our close observa-
tion, - I cannot express my
feelings when I beheld for the

first time the Place from which sailed the Discoverer of my own native Land. "The Home of the free and the land of the Brave," - the snow-clad mountains of Sardinia that - withessed silently the departure of that adventurous Pioneer as yet - waving their proud heads with lofty grandeur - about - This famous City - after much ceremony by the Police and others in authority we were finally landed at 8. O'clock. P.M. and without much difficulty found our way to Hotel, after despatching a good and substantial dinner.

and excellent Rooms to our apartments,
for the night; which were pleasantly
situated and well furnished.—

3.— Clear and warm, up at 7.
O'clock; after Coffee and Bread,
called Booth to us the sights; first
to the Churches, which are most
magnificent Temples, the most
elegant and imposing is that of
Saint Annunciada, the interior is
admirably and richly decorated with
much Gold and many Paintings of
the great Italian Masters, — in two
of the Churches they were performing
Divine Service during our visit, in
one of which, the Organist performed
a Piece of Music from a French Opera

and we saw two girls dancing or-
walking, they were doubtless not
very zealous religionists, we were
much struck with the very narrow
streets and the enormous heights
of the houses, the tops or last story
of which frequently approach each
other within two or four feet, —
one of the peculiarities of this
people is the manner of dress of their
women; the humbler classes wear no
bonnet or chapeau, but a kind of
shawl thrown over the head and shoul-
ders and often extends near the feet, they
shawls are manufactured in Switzer-
land and brought in large quantities
to Genoa, the class of women who

seems to be immediately above the
lowest order, never wear bonnets or
chapeaux but have a piece of
beautiful white muslin of three
or four yards (long) thrown over their heads
and shoulders, it is wound to their
hair and is really very pretty. —
The first-class or as they are called
"the ladies" always wear bonnets
and are elegantly dressed with beauti-
ful silks and shawls a la Parisienne
nearly all of the Hotels of the
ancient town, even ancient palaces-
and are built of white stone
marble, the Theatre is an elegant
building, but not being in
the world, and there, so well

decorated or so extravagantly
furnished. - We saw much fine
jewelry which is said to be
made of pure gold and silver
than in any other part of the
world. We bought a beautiful
silver brooch. Ladies broach=
pin) Genoa is celebrated for
the manufactum of such things
we saw very few good-looking
men, but very many handsome
ladies. - The ratio of females to
that of males is about eight
to one; - we found vegetation as
far advanced as it is in June
in Carolina. - at 6 o'clock P.M.
we were again on board of our

ships, and on the way to Leghorn
(Leghorn), at dinner made the acqu
aintance of an English lady and
her husband, Mrs & Mrs Bissh.
on passed this evening in social
chat and went to bed at 11 -
6, up at 7. a glorious day, Sund
at Leghorn. at 8. A.M. our English
friends. for such they proved to
be, took a carriage with us
and after driving around the City
for an hour or two and visiting
the Reservoir, the Statue of the grand
Duke of the Grand Duchy of Tuscany
& &c. we were driven by a most splendid
Level Road to Pisa distance 16
Tuscan miles, we passed thro, a

beautiful Country in a high
State of cultivation and for-
all the world much like Some
parts of our own Country, New
Jersey for example, - the even par-
ticularly struck with the fine-
looking and large Austrian Officers
and Soldiers with their beautiful
Uniform, white frock coat and blue
pants, Lombardy is under martial
law, the poor and afflicted are
turned out of the Hospitals, and
their numbers
occupy it
as a Barracks, the consequence is
that the streets are full of
beggars and all day every Stranger
that visits the towns of Lombardy

we were subjected to a tax
of three and a half francs (upon
going ashore) which goes to the
support of the Austrian army -
we also paid two francs to the
Gondola man, - we said nothing
shrugged our shoulders a la
Francais - and went on, we took
a carriage at Pisa, a guide also; saw
all of this ancient and once glorious
City, it like most of the other Ital-
ian towns is surrounded by a
very high wall, then are many
of the most magnificent Degrees in
Pisa, being built of white and
marble. — —

the most interesting as well as
the most imposing on the Cathed-
-ral, the Leaning Tower, the
Cemetery, the Church containing
or said to contain the last mortal
remains of Saint Joseph.

Thence over
back to Livorno and aboard of
our Ships at 2 Oclock P. Pas-
-s & bound for Civita Vecchia-
pleasant night.

7. arrived at Civita Vecchia 7
Oclock A. M. This is an ugly
and neglected looking Town, its
inhabitants are miserable
looking creatures, one seem
less much troubled, running

about the town to get an
Passport to Paris, found the
American and the English
Consuls both living on Queen Jam
ing the Junations of their offices
in the same building a miser-
able looking and horrible dirty
building immediately near a filthy
fish market where we saw the fishw
men shining a singular and ugly-
abeations which are supposed to be-
Eels. they were enormously large
neither of the above governments fun
ctionaries had the colours of their
Country over the door or about the
House, are supposed that they were
ashamed to wear the proud Liege and noble

Eagle in such in unsecurity -
praeter, but; nigueiscat in pace,
ere fact the usual fees Tip for
our, bearers or Castom, - and after
partaking of a miserable break
fast at a Hotel, ere set out in
company with our friends, via
Diligence for the Eternal City.
about eight hours trip. we passed
several objects of interest —

when we were about seventeen
miles away from Rome, the towering
Dome of Saint-Peters was very dis-
tinctly seen, what strange feelings
when I saw this grand Temple
for the first time, - we passed

many herds of sheep (goats) and cattle or-
-ather blue oxen of enormous size
passages of pastoral poetry frequen-
-tly occurred to me whilst seeing
the flocks feeding upon the Mountain side, - but alas for the Muses
and Dryads and Lui companions have
ceased to sing. - - - - - - - - - -

We entered the Gates of Bonne at
8 o'Clock P.M. but being the
Holy week we were unable to
obtain lodgeings at a Hotel, but
after roaming about over Bonne
for two hours tal hours, we finally
pulled at No. 39. Via del Babuino,
the people were unable to speak

French or English, but as they
were very obliging over anxious
often anticipated - we had cold fowl
and a drink that they called, vino,
(which)
(wine) - after to bed, -

8. - Clear and pleasant - up at 6.
coffee and bread in a Café and
then to Saint Peters, This being the
most important day of the Holy-
week; after strolling about - This
the most magnificent temple of God
in the world, for two hours, his Holiness
the Pope of Rome, Pius ix. assisted
with the most gorgious pageantry
and Oriental splendour, surrounded
by thousands of French Soldiers, who
were drawn up in line both

and out of this House erected to
God and dedicated to St. Peter whose
name it bears, among the many
statues in the Church is one in
bronze, of His Apostle, and the
idolatrous worshipers have kissed
the right foot so often and with
such fervor that the large toe
is entirely gone and several others
are nearly the same condition
even without all of the Ceremony
of this important occasion, make
some pleasant acquaintances.-
Rome & Gentlemen) - strolled about-
this City, saw an immense number
of English people of both sexes.
also many Americans then are

about- ninety thousand Francs
in Bonne at- this time,- about-
(which-)
sunset. we were descending the
steps of the Pinco in front of
the Church, an ill dressed and Brig
andish looking fellow looked at
us with care and smilingly nodded
his head, which certainly signified
"I will see you again"- we have
no doubt- that this man is one
of the Banditti,- which frequent the
road between here and Naples or
between this and Florence.- I hope
we can give him and his brothers
the slip"- "such is a Fortune" says
the proverb.-

During the day we saw many very

many handsome ladies, and an
thought this manner of dress
or costume very pretty indeed. —

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7 Clear and warm. slept late
called on one of our Annes. acqu
aintances Mrs. Robinson, (from Va-
-rina.) who kindly accompanied us sight-
-seeing, he having been in Rome
two months, is quite a com-
-plete guide to several Churches, & the
Pantheon in which is the tomb
of Raphael. we read the inscription
which is in two places, the one near
each other, then to the Capitol in
front of which is the bronze horse,
(equestrian Statue of Marcus Aurelius)

next to the Roman Forum - Oh!
my feelings were indescribable
whilst standing here gazing on
the ruins of the old Capitol, many
Columns and several Arches of the
finest orders of Architecture ind
icate the spot, where Demosthe
nes, Cicero, Plato, Anthony, Caesar
& others raised their eloquent
voices in defence of Liberty and
Letters the fine Arts &c. - - - -

tion to the Colleseum, the ruin
ed walls and tumbled columns but
mash the progress of the devouring
tooth of Time and the destructive
innovations of man, - Tho, I

had read so many descriptions
of this once glorious and renowned
edifice I had no just conception of its
extent and construction, Oh! the
descriptions and drawings are pa-
per paper by Reality. The
Amphitheatre was founded by
Vespasian in the seventy second
year of our Lord and completed
by Titus A.D. 80. ten years after
the destruction of Jerusalem;
This immense building was designed
by a Christian architect and martyr
(named Gaudentyres)
and many thousand captive Jews were
employed in its construction. The
building was originally called the Flavian
Amphitheatre in honour of its founders

at the dedication of the building by Titus
five thousand wild beasts were slain
in the arena, and the games in honor
of the event lasted one hundred days.
a bull fight which took place in
1332. is the last exhibition which
history records. . . . . .

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during the christian persecutions the
amphitheatre was the scene of many
painful barbarities, — "during the
reign of Trajan Saint Ignatius was
brought from Antioch purposely
to be devoured by the wild beasts
of the Coliseum." —

A Circus is now erected in the centre

of this immense structure, many persons daily visit this, kneel about it and then kiss it. we saw many performing this service or as they considered duty, - we quitted this ruined walls full of admiration and reverence for the old Romans; resolving to go again and again, - next to the Church

in which is a Statue of Moses. of white marble. by Michael Angelo. this is decidedly the most imposing or rather admirable piece of sculpture that I have seen, we saw a number of pieces of sculpture and paintings in this Church all very beautiful; but above all

is the picture of „Papa Leo by Guido. -
it is considered by Artist as being
one of the first pictures of the
worlds in execution and design as
well; it is indeed Beautiful „c, est
charmente„ — again to St Peters
heard the celebrated Miserere —, sung
by the Choir;- oh it was the most-
delightful music that I have ever-
heard.

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10. Cold and clear, a rain last
night, after breakfast we sat-
out for the Villa Borghese which
is beyond the Porta del Popolo, much
of this celebrated Villa is in ruins
the Egyptian Portico is a ruin, alt

of the Adriatic Coast on the
Dalmatian side including that of
Montenegro are dismantled and
even the fountains are defaced.
One sketches a flower (a Poppy, red)
from the terrible ruins of Ragu-
sa, whose, also are from the
Gardens of these once elegant grounds
entrance, our Thoughts in circum-
spective, - and even once rich in every-
variety of fine scenery, diversified by
groves of olive and laurels by alamps
of stone pine a most beautiful, (true)
of certain still remain,) and long aven-
ues of Cypress, all these scenes of
natural and artificial beauty were
barbarously laid waste by the Repub-

licans, during the revolution of 1848
we strolled about the grounds for
an hour and then entered the casino
a handsome palace from which an
fine views of Rome and the snow
clad Apennines, we saw many very
beautiful paintings by the first
masters, but above all the sculp-
ture;- over the doors and windows
are the modern busts by Thorwaldsen
Caesars,- The statue of Psyche by
Alessandro Algardi, most beautiful
the Venus from which Canova
Borghese, the sister of Napoleon,
sat to Canova, also Venus, and
considered by artists and connoisseurs
judges generally, to be more ap-

the finest pieces of sculpture in the Sistine Chapel - next to a Greek Church. - High Mass &c. - -

11. Sunday. a delightful day. (Palm) (Easter)
and the last and greatest day of the Holy-
week; at noon went to the Benediction
saw His Holiness the Pope. bless the
thousands and thousands who were assem
bled for this important occasion,

at 7. P.M. we ascended the Pincian Hill
to witness the great illumination of
St. Peters - which was certainly the
grandest and most imposing sight
that we have ever witnessed, we also
saw it from our Chamber windows

at a late hour of the night - & it
was truly magnificent. - Saw many
very handsome ladies and think that
the Roman ladies the handsomest - na-
tives on earth, they dress with much -
taste and walk with much grace and
ease; their eyes are almost universa
lly brilliant - black and large - -
unlike Paris, all of the Stores and
Shops are closed on the Sabbath. -
Stroll'd to see St Peters examined
all of the Statuary and the pictures
all of the latter with one exception
an Mosaic, - even the Copy of Raphael's
Transfiguration, the last of his work
save the Tomb of the apostle Peter and
many other things of equal interest and curios
ity. -

12 Clear and pleasant Spirit to the
Borghese Palace in the picture
Gallery of which are placed and hour
invitation to our edification and pleasure
the paintings with which we were
"more particularly taken, - were
Judas and the Ass. - Memnon in the
bath, by Guilio Romano, Venus and
Adonis, by Luca Cambiasi - Susanna
by Rubens. - Madonna and child,
with St. John, - the Entombment
of Christ, by Raphael, "an ad-
dition of the Convention the Saviour
is borne to the sepulchre by two
(continued)
Divine whose appearance strongly with
the lifeless body; the intensity and vari-
ety of passion of grief are finely shewn in

the St. Peter and the St. John and the Magdalen as well, as the attendant the corpse — while on the other side the vision overwhelmed by Imagination, has painted in the arms of her attendants, — a most touching and affecting scene, — the marriage of Alexander and Roxanna, — then are about Seven Hundred pictures in this gallery and many of them most beautiful, — next to the Palace of Barberini which is one of the largest Palaces in Rome; but contains only a small collection of choice paintings, among them a picture of Beatrice Cenci, by Guido. the story of this unfortunate beauty

is a sad one, her features were
painted the evening before her exe-
cution, it is considered one of the
most celebrated pictures in Rome.
Fornarina by Raphael very beautiful,
the lute player by Pietro da Cortona.
St Thaddeus and St Luke by Guercino
We next went to a Capucini Church
(S. Maria della Concezione), it contains
the celebrated picture of the Archangel
Michael, by Guido. - in this building
is a Convent in which there are an
immense number of Monks, who
treated us very civilly indeed, and
seemed to be very intelligent men.
one of them conducted us to the Cemet-
ery which is under the Church, and,

consists of four low vaulted or-
arched Chambers and a small Chapel
The earth was brought from the City
of Jerusalem - - "The walls are covered
with bones and skulls, and six or
eight skeletons are standing erect
in the robes of the order, (a brown
overcoat or cloak - sandals &c.) -
When a Monk dies, he is buried in
the oldest grave from which the bones
of the last occupant are then removed
to the general receptacle, - the manner
of interring these dead and the singular
& systematic arrangement of the bones
upon the walls and overhead, is one
one the most curious things that I
have seen in Europe; when we left-

our grand Illuminary, for which they seemed so grateful,—

At 9 Oclock P.M. we went to the Piazza del Popolo and witnessed the most awfully sublime and truly magnificent spectacle that has ever come within the range of our observation,—it was the grand exhibition of fire works upon Monte Pincio. Oh! I feel no conception of what words can be, and will not attempt a description, as I should fall so far short of accuracy that I should feel really ashamed of the injustice,— cover all admiration and delight,—

13. a nice day. Spent to the Vatican.
Here we saw Raphael's great pictures of
the Transfiguration, the last and greatest
oil painting of this illustrious master.
The Fondanza di Foligno, painted for
the Church of Ara Coeli, — very handsome,
The Coronation of the Virgin, painted
for the Convent of Monte Luce, — it
was begun by Raphael, and finished
by Giulio Romano & Francesco Penni
There is also another Coronation of the
Virgin, by Raphael himself, — all
of which delighted us much, —
Christ sitting on a Rainbow
low, with extended arms, surrounded by
Angels. — by Correggio. — we saw many
others in the Vatican, tho. perhaps of

left beauty and celebrity. - - - - .
next to the Museum or apartments
for Sculpture &c. - here we saw very
many things of the most exquisite
beauty and finish; but time as
well as space will only allow me
the mention of a few, - viz a statue
of Demosthenes one of the finest in
the collection. - The Emperor Gordian
- bust of Juno Regina, - bust of
Sallust - The Apollo Belvidere, -
found about the beginning of the
16th century at Porta d. arco. the
ancient Antium. the birth place
of Nero, Caligula &c - it is consid
ered as one of the most justly celeb
rated pieces of Sculpture in the world.

Lord Byron has most beautifully alluded to this master piece of workmanship, in his delicate (Poem) - a Dream of love

Shaped by some solitary nymph, whose breast

Longed for a deathless lover from above,

And madden'd in that vision are expressed

All that ideal beauty ever blessed.

Hercules and the Nemaean lion; Euiaspa and the bull. — — The groups of Dirmede and his horses slain by Hercules, - a sitting statue of Paris holding the apple. - The celebrated recumbent statue of Ariadne sleeping, - nothing can surpass the gracefulness of this statue, the position is that of profound sleep. Also statues of Epicurus, Melpomene,

Urania, Thalia, Calliope, Clio,
Zeno. Bias, Aspasia, Solon-
Lycurgus, Pittacus, Pericles, Euterpe
Terpsichore; Socrates, Minerva-
Medica, the finest-draped statue
in Rome found in the ruins of
the Esquéline Temples — and many
others perhaps of equal merit.
A most elegant Chariot drawn
by two horses. &c. "This piece of sculpture
never fails to attract the attention
of the Travelers." — Oh! it is lovely
indeed. —

14 Clear and mild, spent-a-part
Paul's Church, in which is the
Tomb of this great Apostle and Lover
given. -- it is about-three miles
from Rome, and is being rebuilt
in the most-costly and elegant manner
there are four Columns of pure and
solid Alabaster, from Egypt, they
are about-three feet six Diameter
and twenty five feet-high, two
of them of the Ionic the others of the
Ionic order. then are also eight-
square Columns. - of Alabaster of
the most-exquisite beauty. -
we spent two hours in this elegant Temple
of Divine worship; and then returned del[i]g
-hted with what we had seen. - next

to the Ancient Temple of Vesta.
"This elegant little Temple has been
for ages the admiration of Travellers
and the numerous Copies models &c.
it, have made it better known, than
perhaps any other relic of Rome.—
it is a circular cella surrounded by
twenty Corinthian columns, tho' nine-
of the original ones has been lost.—
these columns and much of the cella
are of pure Parian marble.—I cul-
pluckes a flower as a souvinir.
and made our way on to the Villa
of Borghese about two miles from
the City; This has beautifully arranged and
most beautiful Ornament what
is decided by the prettiest Hall of

the kind that we have seen in the Casinos. Theatre. Grounds, Gardens &c &c. as the admiration of all travellers. . . . I never wished to be really rich before this visit. more anon. . . .

13: Warm and clear, first to the Capitol on Capitoline Hill, in the Museum we found many ancient and admirable Pieces of statuary and Sculpture, the most remarkable and beautiful are the following, The dying Gladiator which is admitted by all critics to be unsurpassed and perhaps never equaled; the forms of the dying Gladiator are not ideal, but

all nature, all feeling, Dear Byron -

I see before me the gladiator die,

He leans upon his hand, his manly -
Elbow -

Consents to death, but conquers agony -

And his drooped head sinks gradually low -

And through his side the last drops ebbing
Slow -

From the red gash, fall heavy one by one. -

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A Statue of Mercury, of Hercules

killing the Hydra. - - Marcus Brutus

The Venus of the Capitol exquisitely

beautiful, - Leda and the swan - Cupid

and Psyche, found on the Aventine, two

well proportioned and graceful figures.

The celebrated Iliac Table, containing

the history of the Iliad and the fall of Troy.

with the deliverance of Aeneas; - by

Fabretti who wrote it in the time of
Nero. — Statue of Virgil, Socrates,
Diogenes, Seneca, Sophocles, Hippocrates
Cato, Pompey and others. — a bust of
Scipio Africanus with the wound on
the left side of his head; — Sappho;
Cleopatra, Thucydides, Lycurgus and
Aristotle, — . . . . . A finely draped
female figure that is to be Livia. found
in Hadrians Villa. — The famous Statue
of Antinous found in the same Villa.
must be the Picture Gallery, that we saw
but little use to admire, as most of
the paintings are but inferior copies.
after this we ascended the Tower and had
a most instructive and beautiful view
of ancient and modern Rome, the winding

and glorious old Tiber; the Sabines Hills
the snow capped Apennines; - We, afterwards
we visited the Tarpeian Rock, saw the
Traitors Steps, Seventy feet, - in this ugly
neighborhood we were beset by some
ragged and dirty boys who pursued us
some distance and annoyed us much,
we finally gave them the slip and
congratulated ourselves upon the good
fortune, - we encountered several -
negroes of dark - visaged and suspici
ous looking plebians, who eyed us
closely, they were doubtless thinking
of our Napoleons, -
16th - Cool, and fair, esp. at 6 o'clock
and off to Tivoli 19 miles from
Rome -, we arrived at this ancient -

City (which was founded about eight hundred years before the birth of Christ,) at 11 o'clock. we were delighted with the magnificent scenery the Cascades, (those in number), the Temples of Vesta, the Temple of the Sibyls, the Grottoes of Neptune and the Abyssus,— the Cascades or Falls of the Anio are most picturesque and beautiful indeed, we passed immediately by the Villa of Cassius, now a beautiful Olive Grove; we also passed the celebrated Villa of the Emperor Hadrian, it is now in ruins and has been plundered long since of all that is valuable, the elegant stone pines and the cone by and

graceful Cypresses yet silent-
witnesses of the ravages of time
and the plundering hand of man.-
The sites of these once magnificent retreats
are immediately in the neighborhood of
„Ancient Tibur„ now Tivoli, the favorite
haunts of Horace; many of his sweetest
Lyrics of this great Poet were composed
while wandering among the groves and
cool pastures of the surrounding valleys
Tivoli was also had a Villa near here,--
many of the Roman Philosophers and
Poets passed their summers at Tivoli
which rivaled the Eternal City until
Camillus taught its unfortunate people
obedience;- The present population are
miserable looking creatures, of morals

corrupt and widely read a Church-going
people. - are they descendants of the "profanum Vulgus"
of Horace. - Catullus, Propertius, Virgil
and Virgil as well as Horace sang of
the beauties and endearments of this
once glorious City, but - alas! -
we wandered about the olive groves and
mountain sides, musing on the past
and contrasting it with the present,
for several hours, and were again in
Rome at 7 o'clock P.M.

17. Cool and cloudy, having found ourquar-
ters not so comfortable, we concluded
to look other apartments, we are now
at the Hotel d'allemagne Via Condotti
after depositing our Sacks & Baltos.

we went over to ancient Rome, and
strolled about amidst the ruins of
Palaces and Temples that had once been
great and glorious, it soon came on
to rain and we had to put into a work
shop. (wheelwrights) which is exactly
on the ancient via Sacra, and within
twenty feet of the Roman Forum,
alas! how changed. — , , ,

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18. Cool, and still raining. Sunday -
fast - to St. Peters, at which we -
remained some two or three hours
at 3 o'clock Service - to
to hear the delightful chanting
of the Nuns, Oh! it was sweet indeed -

it soon commenced to rain which drove us home, the consequence was that we saw nothing more of interest. —

19. an occasional shower: atmosphere pleasant, first to the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, - founded in the year of our Lord 332. - it is on the highest summit of the Esquiline, The whole building is richly, but tastefully decorated, and it would be difficult to exaggerate the effect produced by its simple, beautiful plan, — next to the Basilica of St. John Lateran, which occupies the site of the house of Plautius Lateranus from whom it derives its name; - Marcus Aurelius was born near this spot, this Church contains

colossal Statues of all of the Apos-
-tles in marble, near the main
transept is the identical Table
on which the last Supper of
our Saviour was eaten; above this
is a fresco of the Ascension, by
Cav. D'Arpino, whose remains
were interred in this Church; the
Chapels are most beautifully and,
particularly the Corsini, which
was built in the form of a greek
Cross by Clement XII, - the richest
marbles, the most elaborate ornam
-ents and gildings, Columns of precious
marbles, Bas-reliefs and even gems,
have been lavished on its decora-
-tions with a profusion quite

without a parallel, perhaps, in
any other Chapel in Rome, —
Under the fine portico on the North
side of the building is the Scala Santa
consisting of twenty eight marble
steps, said to have belonged to
Pilate's House, and to have been
the identical Stairs which our
Saviour descended when he left
the judgement seat, these steps
are only allowed to be ascended by
penitents, on their knees, several
of whom we saw performing this
service.

D. Clouds lowering, and Threatening
to rain, tho an occasional gleam of
sunshine, - Spent - to the Studios of
several Artists, saw many handsome
paintings and some beautiful Busts
etc, among the latter, the Colossal Statues
of Thos. Jefferson & Patrick Henry in the
Studio of Mr. Crawford an American
Sculpture of much merit, and high
consideration, - These Statues are intended
for Richmond, - next, to the site of the
Temple of Aesculapius on the Island
of the Tiber, - This celebrated Temple -
was built B.C. 293. The Church and
Convent of St Bartolommeo stand
on the site of the temple and of the
famous Hospital which was attached

to it; the staff and serpent of Aescula-
pius may still be seen; sculptured
on the stones of the ships bow.—
remember the story from Livy &c.—
There are twenty four granite Columns
in the interior of the Church which
belonged to this once noble and glorious
Edifice; we visited several other Churches
the most beautiful and remarkable
was that of St. Augustino, built in
in 1483.— on the third pilaster to the
left is the celebrated fresco, by
Raphael, of the prophet Isaiah
and two Angels holding a Tablet.——
There is an immense quantity of jewels
and treasures in this Church.— we saw
several persons kissing the floor and

many kissing the foot of the
Thadonna; a brazen Image, loaded
with jewels and precious stones.
This all seemed novel enough to us.
Pf. Cool and clear, and we saw this
morning for the first time that
beautiful Blue, which is said to
be peculiar to an Italian Sky.
After discussing a good breakfast
we made our way to the Albani
Villa, about half of a mile
from the walls of the City, our
route delightful with the grounds
gardens and Statuary; a bas-relief of
Diogenes in his tub conversing with
Alexander the great. - also of Hesens

in The Gardens of the Hesperides, - very
Lansdowne, - a Statue of Ganimede and
the eagle, - a bas-relief of Orpheus,
Eurydice, and Mercury, in Pentelic marble
a specimen of pure Greek Sculpture
of much beauty and interest, - a Bust
of Homer - - next to the Corsini
Palace in which we saw, beaucoup
de chose bien joli, - conspicuous among
them is an antique curule Chair of
fine marble with bas-reliefs, sup-
-posed by many archaeologists to be
Etruscan. - The crucifixion of St. Peter
by Rubens, - The Ecce Homo, by Guido
the Beheading of St. John, by Domenichino
The judgement of Paris by Ludovico
Carracci. - &c. -

22. Clean and Temperate, made arrangements to leave for Naples per Diligence, handed in our Cards of Sojourn, had our Passports Visé ... visited the Spada Palace, the great Treasure of which is the Colossal and celebrated Statue of Pompey, which is eleven feet high and of Parian marble this noble and imposing figure is regarded as the identical Statue which stood in the Curia of Pompey and at whose Base, Great Caesar fell ... The picture gallery contains some excellent pictures. for example, Christ disputing in the Temple. by Guercino, Dina unveiling Truth. by Pietro de Bambocci, David with the head of Goliath — Beatrice Cenci —

The flight of Helen, most beautiful, —
Dido, — a fine picture, and others of merit
and beauty. — We are growing quite tired
of sightseeing, purchased some nice and
highly wrought Cameos, for our friends
in America and Paris; — we thought this article
would do credit to our taste. —

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23. a glorious day: — first to St. Peters,
the most glorious structure that
has ever been applied to the use of
religion, — the Dome is the great object
which seems to command the admira
tion of the stranger who visits this
noble edifice, — we ascended the Dome —
extend the copper globe; — and the prospect
was in all Europe, the panorama

of Rome, the surrounding country
neighboring towns and the distant
Under Terranean are indeed beauty
-ful, we remained on this side by this
left (434 feet) from the pavement)
about Two hours, and descended a-
little worse for wear by this
aerial excursion, - - next to the
Vatican, with the gardens of which
I was delighted, in front of the
principle facade is a large niche,
containing the two bronze peacocks
and the colossal pine-apple, eleven
feet high, found in the Mausoleum of
Hadrian, and supposed by some an-
-tiquarians to have stood on the
summit of the Building, Hor saw

many most beautiful flowers, among
them a species of Hyacinth. — Oh!
what a delicious odour. — after this
we were „shewed thro'„ the Library
which is about Seven Hundred yards
long, and contains many rare and
curious things both ancient and
modern, there are thousands of Man
-uscripts and printed Volumes in
every known language — the presses
are of the richest character, and
generally by the best masters, — one
of the handsomest things or ornaments of
these Halls is the beautiful Candelabra
of Sevres China, presented to pope Pius
vij by Napoleon; — after feasting our
eyes here for an hour or two, and handing

over the parts, (the, sine qua non, in
Europe, and more particularly in Italy,)
we stroll'd thro. the Museum or-
Galleria Lapidaria of which I have
before spoken, - but the mention
less of some pieces of Sculpture or
statuary to which I have not before
alluded, will not be out of place -
Pluto and Cerberus, a fine sitting
statue, found in the Villa of Negro
ni, a Satyr playing on a flute
found in Hadrian's Villa, - Julia
wife of Vespasian, and mother of
Titus, Venus in fresh marble
found in the baths of Dioclétian,
The Genius of Death. - Ulysses and
the Cyclops, very fine, - a Statue of

Perseus and the two Boxers, Ganymedes and Damoxenus. - by Canova, - very celebrated, - -

24. Clear and mild; went to-day to the Baths of Caracalla which are the most extensive ruins in Rome, with the exception of the Coliseum. they were begun by Caracalla A.D. 212. - and were completed by Alexander Severus, they occupy an area of not less than a mile in circuit. - One of the most interesting facts connected with these baths, is the discovery of many precious fragments of ancient sculpture, which now enrich the Italian Museums,

and at the same time attest the splendors of this majestic edifice." — For example the beautiful and colossal statue of Flora; the Torso Farnese, the Torso Belvidere & &c. — we plucked a pageant Rose from some bushes that were growing luxuriantly in these once elegant Mosaic floored Halls, — next to the Farnese Palace to get the Neapolitan Minister, a Resé; this done and our Pass-ports [illegible] etc we felt somewhat at liberty. — Spent the evening in social chat with our friend Dr. Giddings of S. Carolina, in bed at 11. Oclock, not very well, — 23. Fair and warm, up at 7 Oclock and after, — at 9 Oclock a Bus was

(Sunday)-

went to the Church of Santa de Monti
above the Piazza di Spagna, in which
we heard some fine Music by the
French Military Band and the Choir of
Nuns, from the Convent to which the
Church belongs, - these Nuns devote
themselves to the education of the
higher classes, - The great paintings of
this Church is the Descent from the
Cross, by Daniele da Volterra, it is
considered the third greatest picture
in the world. - . . .
at 6 Oclock P. M. we heard in the
same Church the most delightful
sacred music to which I have yet
listened, - The Ave Maria, (the evening
hymn to the Virgin) sung by the same
Choir, -

Rob & I was awoke by lovely music
& shall ever owe Bonne a debt-
of gratitude for her assignment
at midnight; packed our sacks, ordered
our bill, (which much resembled
that of a swiper) and made other arrangements for an early start. -
26, we were called up at 5 o'clock.
paid the bill, breakfasted at 6 -
and were off for Naples (per
Diligence) at 7. - weather, pleasant
there having been quite a shower last
night; we found Traveling agreeable
about 10 o'clock arrived at Albano. a-
most romantic and lovely town containing about 5000 inhabitants, here a
change of horses, and postilions or Couriers

one of our postilions a lad of sixteen
or eighteen summers was one of the
handsomest and most sprightly pers-
ons that I have ever seen. he certainly
deserves a better position. about noon
arrived at a prettily situated town
called Velletri, which is celebrated
for the beauty of its women, this, we
saw nothing in the way of extraord
inary female charms, saw quite a
number of Italian soldiers being
drilled here, and were struck with
their youthful appearance, many
of them appearing to be not more
than sixteen or eighteen years of age
- we next passed the little city of Cora
the ancient Cora, with its curious

walls, and the remains of two
superb Temples, that of Hercules
and Castor & Pollux, —
about 3 o'clock P.M. we reached
the Gap formed over the
brians Pontine Marshes, The
summit of them now is in a
high state of Cultivation having
been canaled, and ditched and are
now in a fine state of drain-
age. the greater part of the
road thro, this extensive plain
is the most beautiful thing of
the kind that I have ever seen
being turnpiked and perfectly
straight for about thirty miles
having regular Rows of Trees, Elm

and ashes) on each side, ...

at sunset we were at Terracina which is immediately upon the sea. we strolled down to the waters edge and picked up some nice little shells. in bed at 9 Oclock. .

27. "knocked up" at 4. Oclock. and after bolting a cup of "mock Coffee" and a piece of brown bread; were again packed in the Deligence and en route for Naples, at sunrise we arrived at the frontiers of the Neapolitan Dominions, the Authorities Visé our Passports and let us pass, at 8. Oclock arrived at a most miserable Town called Fondi our Passports were again Visé. and the baggage examined, the people of this place

are certainly the lowest order of human beings that I have yet seen - alas! for the cause of civilisation, - saw nothing of special interest until our arrival at Gaëte upon the Sea, with its balmy air fragrant from the Orange and Lemon groves which here abound in profusion; Cicero the great Roman Orator once lived here the ruins of his Villa are yet to be seen the inhabitants are healthy looking people and the surrounding country bears the marks of industry and cultivation, - at 4 Oclock, we reached Caëte a well fortified Town, situated upon the river, there are a great many Soldiers here, we saw

in the Campus a Regiment or
two Two, Cavalry and Infantry being
Drilled,- there were several hundred
tents pitched in the same field- it
was quite a display and was nobly
something very beautiful, there is
a rail-road from this place to
Naples some fifteen miles,- Passports
again Rose,- Mount Vesuvius quite
visible, this we had seen it during the
morning,- after leaving this town we
had a most delightful road to the City
the country is in a high state of
cultivation and every Thing seems
to be in a prosperous condition
we were in Naples at 8; in paying
the Custom House we bribed the

Officer for our passes (forty-cents)
to let our baggage pass unexamined
after rambling about the City for
nearly an hour we found comfort-
able quarters at the Hotel de France
near the Royal Palace, -
28. mane and clear, quite unwell -
suffering a severe headache, and pain
in the left shoulder, - However we
proceeded a Guide, took a carriage and
set out to see what was to be seen
in this great and gay City and the
surrounding Country. - First to
the Bourbon Museum, called „les
Etudi„ - it contains very many Statues
in marble and bronze of the first-
order of Art, are considered the Chef-

De deose Antigue. - for example the
Colossal Statue of Flora Farnese, elegant
indeed. - Paris and Helen. - Orpheus
searching the Infernal regions for
Eurydice, - a Statue of Diana in
coloured marble - - the Venus of -
Capoue of the Academy of Barcelona
and Rhodes to be the original of the
Venus of Medici. - a Statue of Diana
of Ephesus in alabaster with the head
hands and feet of bronze - very singular
and most beautiful. - the groups repre-
senting the fable of Circe called the
Farnesian Farnese placed in face of
Hercules. - The Statues of Tiberius and Clau-
dius found at Herculaneum, Nero
found at Velée and that of Trajan found at-

Museums — In the Hall of the bronzes
there are many Statues and busts of
extraordinary merit and beauty. —
— The head of Plato very fine, the
head of Sappho, — the two Satyrs. &c. &c.
The Museum of the little bronzes cont.
ains many curious things which
have been excavated from Herculan
eum and Pompei, for instance
the tables, the tables of sacrifices, the
knives, the knives, in fact all of the
instruments of poly theism. —
Many jewels, a Case of braid, hears
wheath, Dewing cotton, balls of thread
balls, pounds & all marvelous pre
-served. — The instruments of Surgery
Accouchements, Apothecary's scales,

trowsers &c. – Cooking utensils and their ornaments, – Steelyards, Balances &c – a sort of Clarionette, and several sorts of flutes of bone or ivory the same of which Horace speaks in his art of Poetry and a Thousand other things of which I have not the time to mention we next visited the Celebrated and elegant Church of Saint Genevieve del Porto, founded by Dagobert, on a beautiful eminence, from which

gallery in the same building, we were delighted with their Balls, but as we had seen the greater portion of these pictures in Rome and Paris, I will pass them by without further notice We next visited the Celebrated and

we had a fine view of Naples and
the Bay - this church contains many
elegant little chapells with a profu-
sion of Statuary of the most-
beautiful magnificent frescoes, and
Paintings of the first-masters, —
among them, the Pieta of the Assum
over the dead body of our Saviour, by
Arpino, is regarded as the best-picture
in the world, —

During the evening we visited some
nice Villas and tastefully arranged
flower gardens, — saw many elegant
Fountains, and many very handsome
ladies, and delighted with Naples

29. Clear and warm, quite windy
Early better, procured a carriage
with two horses, and with our guide
set-out for the Country to examine
the interesting Antiquities, and other
objects of Curiosity. — First to the
Solfatara which is a fine and Antique
Ruine of a Volcano, it was an extra
ordinary spectacle to me to see the
hot Sulphurous fumes, issuing out
of the ground, with a noise almost frightful, when near, we found a quantity of the flowers of Sulphur, very nice and some beautiful crystals of the Sulphate or Super-sulphate of Alumina, we plucked a spray of white rose growing near, and also

a species of Cedar or arbor vitæ in
bloom. — This Volcano evidently com-
-municates with Mount Vesuvius,
tho' distant twenty miles, many yea
since there was an eruption. Lea
-ving which time Vesuvius ceas
to emit flames. — There to several
Ports on the Coast — first to P. Pozzuoli
the place at which St. Paul landed
when he came to Europe, — the miserable
inhabitants of this town are prover
-bial for their indolence, insolence
and immorality. — we saw the remains
of many ancient Temples and other
buildings, — among them the Temples
of Neptune,

30, bright and warm, first to call
on the American Consul who gave us
cards of permission to visit the Royal
Palace, the Armory &c. - after which we
set out for Pompeii, at which place I
passed four of the most pleasant
hours of my life - I cannot even attempt
a description of what I saw, - -
I will mention here a few of the
most important things that have
been excavated. The grand Theatre
built under the reign of Augustus
in a fine state of preservation. - The
Temple of Isis, showing upon the walls
the mysteries and practices sacerdotal
of the Egyptian worship. - The Barracks
or quarters of the Soldiers, is well

possessed.- the Custode has a nice garden within, in which are Lemons and Oranges growing, and many beautiful and fragrant flowers we gathered some of the Oranges which were delicious, also some rose possessions which we will possess as souvenirs. — We were delighted with the tasteful and architectural style of the private dwellings,- the Baths, Fountains &c. The Amphitheatre is the best preserved edifice that remains it is sufficiently large to contain twenty thousand persons;- what remains of the Civil Forum is beautiful indeed.- this ancient and classic

City also contained eight Temples-
a Basilica and three Public Places
and the House of Sallust, (or of action) one of the
most elegant and noblest of all
of the dwellings,- we saw a number
of persons excavating during our
visit, and upon the beautiful frescoes
bright walls and untarnished marble
we could hardly realize that these
things had rested thirty or forty feet
beneath the surface imbedded in
Lava, for Seventeen Hundred &
thirty three years- but, such, is no
less strange than true.-

next to Herculaneum, the prin-
cipal object of interest is the Theatre
which is sixty feet beneath the
surface and covered by the hardest
kind of lava, a large quantity of
which has been excavated; the The-
atre is very large, being able to con-
tain about ten thousand spectators
This little city is much more an-
cient than Pompeii, they were both
destroyed by the same eruption, —
are visited other ruins, such as
the Tribunals, Prisons, baths &c, —
after which to the Royal Palace,
which was built immediately over
this buried City. Here saw much
Regal splendor and magnificence

throughout- this noble edifice, tho,
thought- that- it would not- compare
at- all with the Palace at- Versailles
about- twilight- we arrived at- our
Hotel, loaded with dust, quite fatig
ued, and as hungary as wolves -
having eaten nothing since an early
breakfast, but oranges, -

May. 1. we took the Rail- way carriage
for Castellamare, thence to Sorrento on the
Coast- at the foot- of two very high Mountains
one of which we ascended, mounted on
Donkeys, a boy to drive us tho. were
much amused; during the passage up
we saw, on the mountain side, the
handsomest girl that ever mortal

look upon, Rennis would blush
at a comparison, - the people of
this town and the surrounding coun-
try are remarkable for their beauty
and pretty costumes, we had an op-
portunity of seeing every thing to the
best advantage as it was a fete day
we visited the Cathedral during the
Service or Ceremonies, - the inhabitants
are celebrated for the manufacture,
out of wood, of various fancy articles,
I purchased, at the Manufactory, a paper
Cutter, as a souvinier, - I could carry
nothing else conveniently. -
visited the House of Tasso, it has been
fitted up in the most Princ-like
manner and is now employed as

sleeping apartments for the guests
of the Proprietor (to whom it belongs) of
the Hotel of the Sirens at which place
we „put up.„ Oh! what a glorious -
Dinner, every thing nice and good, -
(something rare in Italia) - we had some
splendid views of the Bay of Naples, the
Sea, and the neighboring Villages; the
mountains as well. - Ah! long will we -
remember with pleasant reminiscence
the day passed at Sorrento. - we returned
to Castellamare, ascended the Mountains
on donkeys, examined the Kings Palace
and Gardens from the latter of which we
gathered a beautiful straw-coloured Tea
rose and a yellow Ranella-flora among
others of this much prized and delightful

situat,- we visited the Fountains of-
the Mineral Waters, Sulphur. Ferru
ginous and Sulpho-ferruginous, these
waters are much resorted to by inva
lids during Summer, we drank some
of each, and found them strongly impreg
nated with the above minerals, and no
doubtless very efficacious in Cutaneous
and Nervous affections. - There are many
elegant buildings in this romantic and
tastefully arranged town, which is built
near the once flourishing Village of-
Stabo which yet lies buried in Lava,
it having been the third victim of-
Vesuvius during the great Eruption
A.D. 119. - we arrived in Naples about
Twilight, quite fatigued and nearly wet,
as it came on to rain at 7 oclock. - -

2. Sunday, clouds lowering with occasional showers, first to see the Churches, many of them are found parfect Temples, — visited the Cathedral during the morning Service, saw many of the Cardinals and Bishops in the Church in which the King and the Royal family attend High Mass. we saw two beautiful marble Collums or pillars from the Temple of Solomons, Their workmanship would do credit to any Sculptor, in one of the Churches the name of which I have forgotten, we saw a remarkable picture of the Blessed Virgin, the singularity consisted in this, that whatever position we occupied the picture was looking directly at us, — what artistical skill to have made

Statues so beautiful and perfect. —
In a private Chapelle we saw some
splendid Sculpture, a Dead Christ with
the burial Drapery most exquisitely done
the Person equally well executed
and several others of great merit, —
we descended to the ancient Catacombs —
upon the walls of which we saw many
curious devices of Pagan worship
and pictures of the early Christians
and Saints, also many fragments of
bone and much Dust. which forcibly
reminded us of the passage, dust thou
art, and unto dust shalt thou return,
next to the Kings Palace and grounds
thro. which we strolled. — found much
to admire, — thence to the Tomb of the

Grott. Post Virgil, on the mountain
side, near the sea shore and within
the corporate limits of the City. the
last-resting place of the illustrious
Poet is marked by an inscription
on a piece of marble inserted into
a rock wall, over the immediate
spot is a rough Stone arrangement
with benches and mountain
Ivy. two leaves of which are plucked
as souvinirs of this hallowed spot.
after dinner; a cup of good Coffee at
the magnificent Restaurant D'Europe
ape, and then passed the evening with
our friend Russ. feddings at the Hotel
de Rome, —

3. Cloudy and threatening to rain, visit to
Caserta to see the Palace and grounds -
we sent in our Card to His Majesty
the King (who resides here) asking per-
ission to look thro. his possessions, it
was readily granted, and we can say
with truth that - nothing that has come
under our observation throughout our
travels in Europe, will compare
in magnificence and splendor
with the apartments in this elegant
Palace, every luxury that man can
devise, or money can purchase is
lavished in profusion abundance
tho, I cannot say with prodigal ex-
travigance. .

we were delighted with the stroll thro.
the grounds, gardens &c. the Statuary par-
-ticularly- for example Action and
his dogs, ten in number. Diana and
the Nymphs;- we brought away a
most fragrant and nice little bouquette,
which I will take to America, as a
reminiscence of this pleasant ramble.-
again in the City at 5 Oclock. P. M.-
after dinner a stroll thro, the Bourse
made grounds immediately on the Sea-
where we met persons, of every Shade and
hue from snowy white, to sooty too,-
Naples is one of the gayest Capitals
of all Europe-

4. rained all the day, went first to secure our berths in the Steamer Juana Anton-ita which leaves for Leghorn, on the 7 Inst. this done to the Great-Hospital of the City, we were very kindly received and courteously treated, were introduced to the principle Surgeons and Physicians Professors.

we were too late for the morning visit tho, one of the Housesurgeons kindly showed us thro all of the Wards and gave us much valuable information, - The Hospitals Hospitals are not conducted upon the Parisian or American plan. -

There is a Medical School in the City, the University of Naples, which is said To be in a flourishing condition: - we-

saw nothing in the way of a Surgical

Operation Deserving a note. -

From the Hospitals we went to the Cemetery

the finest and most celebrated in Italy, it

will not compare at all with Pere de

Chaise at Paris or Greenwood Cemetery in

New York — tho. we were much pleased

with what we saw, — there is a Chinese

being erected within the enclosure after the

exact manner of an ancient Temple

at Paestum. — next to the Bourbon

Museum to visit some apartments

that were closed during a former visit

in the picture gallery we saw a very fine

and life like painting. The three stages of

Life, — by a French Artist. — the ruins

from Pompeii and Herculaneum are also

interesting. — particularly the designs in Mosaic.

5. Clear and pleasant, up to Portici, thence
to the base of the Cone of Vesuvius
mounted on Mass, we occupied only
one hour in the ascension, tho. very
fatiguing, from the Level of the Sea.
to the Crater is Three Thousand and
five Hundred feet. (3500) - we examined
well, both of the Craters, — —, remained
on top about two hours, eat several
eggs that were cooked immediately by
us, by the heat of the fire within; we
were subjected to every manner of Sulp-
hurous fumigations; - stood around on
the giddy heights, with an awful chasm
on the one side and the fuming and hissing
Crater on the other, - we were much annoyed
during the ascent by some men whose

business it is to pull voyagers up by
means of a straps of leather or a rope.
ladies and invalid gentlemen often
carried up on a Chair;- we proceed to go
alone, to gratify a foolish species of
pride,- which done, we come to the conclu
-sion that it was the severest infliction
on our good judgement of any act of
our lives.. by way of atonement for the
heavy tax on our Pulmonary Apparatus
and muscular fibres;, we laid in a good
supply of the grateful and generous wine
(Lachrymæ Christi)- produced from the
Lava on the sides of Vesuvius,- at the
base of the Cone we purchased a box of very
spines of Lava that has been thrown out of
Vesuvius for the last forty years,- I thought

that this little collection may be a matter of curiosity, and perhaps interest, to some of my Phrenological friends in America. - our descent was quite as fast accompanying only them one-four minutes, two English ladies went down immediately before us, - they said nothing to us but their looks evidently spoke volumes. - At Portici, (which is built immediately over Herculaneum) we stopped an hour or two, and visited the King's grounds, Gardens and Chateau in the east of which we saw a very ingenious and singularly contrived apparatus for carrying the different dishes from the Kitchen to the Dining room (Sal a Manger) - all travelers regard it as

quite a curiosity.— We were at our
Hotel at 6. Oclock P. M. considerably worse
for wear. But after dinner and a bottle
of delicious Siracusa wine of the Vintage
of 1826.— the worst again went well. —
6. Fair and very warm, first to the
Lake of Agnano with its boiling water, Tisa.
without-heat,— the water has a sweetish
taste— one would judge from the evidences
around that it would be Sulphurous or
Saline or both.— Near by this lake is
the celebrated grotto of the Dog, from the
sides of which there is an enormous quantity
of Carbonic Acid Gas ever escaping, a poor
little dog, belonging to the „Custode„ is
subjected to asphyxiation (by the inha-
lation of the gas,) for the amusement of

every direction,— poor unfortunate animal that has to suffer death so often

to please his Master,— within twenty

steps of this Grotto is that of Saint

Germain from which a current of

strong Ammoniated Gas is always issuing

it is very pungent and quite hot.—

a few feet from this place is the

Sulphur. Vapor baths, a more disa-

greable place I never visited.—

next we ascended a Mountain, to visit

a Monastery, we rode up to the door

twenty five Hundred feet above the

level of the Sea,— we were kindly recei-

ved by a bland and courteous gentleman

(a Monk) who accompanied us thro.

the Grounds, the Church, &c. gave us coin,

fruits, bread and cheese; also a hand-
some bouquett, in which even two
beautifully white Camelias;- every thing
was perfectly quiet about this, dignified
& and isolated edifice which was
founded A. D. 1833.- We passed some
two hours in this sacred retreat and
then mounted our Johnny and returned,
wiser if not better men.-

7. up at an early hour, weather-
pleasant, not-clear, first to purchase
some Coral and Lava, for which this
City is justly celebrated, we found these
things in profusion abundance, and
of a workmanship and elegance that
do not- need the strokes of our-
feeble pen to- be praised, - next- to

visit the oldest Churches in
Italy, we found nothing remark-
able here; as the greater part of
the valuable Paintings have been taken
away to enrich and adorn the
Royal Chapell of which I
have before spoken, visited
also today the Royal Museum
ity, were Thro. the Museum of
Pathological Anatomy, the
Mineralogical Department
and in fact throughout this
enormous building, we were
quite satisfied with the visit
and think that the Neapolitans
merit a higher rank in
the Temple of Science than they

occupy.— thence to the San
Carlo Theatre a most magnific
ent edifice, capable of seating com
fortably five thousand people and
next to the largest Theatre in
the world,— we also visit, the Little
Theatre,,— a handsome and well arran
ged building.— at One Oclock P.M.
we were put on board of the
Steamer Maria Antonetta bound
for Leghorn and Marseilles,— several
Americans on board, among them two
handsome ladies, from Louisiana,—
at 3 Oclock. we were gliding smoothly
on the blue Mediterranean and
bade adieu to gay Naples and fading
Vesuvius,— may I live to see them again

8. passed the last night pleasantly
raining; at 9. Oclock arrived at
Civita Vechia, were not allowed to
go ashore, not leaving our Pass-
port Resd for this gnal town, -
after we ascertained (that Gasparon
the Jas-jammed Brigand (Confined here)
the Son of the place,) was dead, we
remained quietly and contented on
board during the six hours that
we remain in Port- just before
weighing Anchor we had quite an
accession to our list of passengers
the greater portion of which were
English people. - During the after-
noon one of the American ladies
played several airs upon the

Piano, among them Hyacinthe Jaudon
and Teco or Tosi of our negro Melodies
we could scarcely suppose the exclam
ation Bravo! Bravo!- but that
foolish modesty that has ever accom
-panied true life, made me swallow
the compliment, and she retired
without receiving the applause that
she justly merited,- as we were
papering out of the harbour, I counted
impaled to the breeze, twenty six
flags upon our Brigs,- the vessels
grew, I know not how- the vessel belonged
to the Papal States, about sunset it came
on to blow, and we had it a little rough

(Sunday -)

9. Clear and pleasant, at 7. a.m. in the Harbour of Livorno, where we remained since Thur or four hours. - much to our annoyance tho. doubtless at the pleasure of those in authority Finally, we Shore, breakfast- at the Hotel de Londres, which Brodie- we set out for Pisa by Rail way - some of our travelling companions leaving us here this once celebrated little City of Etruria, - we remained here hours in Pisa, visiting the Cathedral, one of the most magnificent Temples, consecrated to the worship of God, in the world, it contains much fine Statuary and many paintings of the greatest merit

we also visit the Baptistry. a
rather singularly constructed, Tho,
a most elegant building. — The
leaning Tower (of which we have
spoken during a former visit,) is
one of the greatest objects of inter
est and curiosity here. — being built
almost entirely of marble. —
at 2. Oclock P. M. we resumed
our route for Baile for Florence 50
miles distant, we passed thro a most
lovely country, crossed the Arno seven
times, found the lands in a high
state of cultivation, the people
well dressed, and the little towns, neatly
and tastefully arranged, and well shaded
with Aspen and Pine of which the

My Lascars seem remarkably good-
They make very good time on the
R. R. say about twenty miles to
the hour, - at 7 Oclock we were
in "the great Capital of all Italy"
Florence - Oh! what a handsome
City, clean streets, magnificent
houses elegant and polished people
the river Arno passes entirely thro.
the town, - the population num
bers about 125.000. - soon after
our arrival we found ourselves
comfortably quartered in elegant
apartments at the Hotel du nord
met our friend Mrs. Hitchcock of
New York, after dinner a
stroll about the City and then to
bed.

10. after a delicious breakfast
we went out sight-seeing. first
to the Palace of the Grand Duke -
which we found a magnificent
edifice constructed of stone of
enormous size, and situated
on the brow of a hill, the back-
grounds and gardens are charming
"The Picture Gallery" is considered
the finest in the world, we
found it many of Guido's, Rafael
ael's, Rubens, Rembrandt's, Titian's
Vandyke's and Domenichino's pictures
in these Halls - near this Palace and
I think adjoining it is the Museo
di Storia Naturale which delights
me indeed - the models in wax

are the finest that I have seen
any where, the Anatomical prepa-
rations display every portion of
the human body with wonderful
accuracy; They embrace also many
curious objects of comparative
Anatomy.—

Visit to the Studio of Hiram Powers.

an American Artist of the first
merit, extensively and favorably
known both at Home and abroad
for his Statue of the Greek Slave
fine of which he has made re-
duced the original model in
Plaster. This gentleman who has

done credit to himself and honored
~~the~~ ~~the~~ his country, is tall and straight
has a keen eye (nearly black), is
growing quite gray tho, only about
forty four years of age, has lived
in Florence fifteen years. - has
now preparing a statue to be
called America, the model a
female, with the left-hand raised,
the bosom adorned with a single
garland diadem with stars, the
face wears an air of modest simp-
-licity tho, given as the likes,
the marble is now being abused
and seems to be without spirits. -
which he told us was a rare thing
after this we strolled out of the city

to the Palace Pozzio Imperiale,
which is admirably situated
upon a high hill in ascending
which we passed up an elegant
Avenue finely shaded by Cypress
Pine and Larch,- the Palace is
very extensive and is said to con-
tain seven Hundred rooms; tho
is nothing remarkable about the
apartments, but they contain some
good works of Art,- the small-
statue of apollo, by Phidias is
very beautiful indeed,- Canova-
considers it to be the finest statue
at Florence,- in one room are found
all of the beauties of King Charles-
two of them beautiful indeed.-

after dinner we took a carriage
ride in the Cascine, the Hyde Park
of Florence, for displaying fashionable
"toilets," we were beset on all
hands by the flower-girls, who, with
countenances and manners shocking
thro. all grades from innocent fest-
tiness and spightliness, to boldness and
impudence;- were offering, or forcing
their roses and bouquets upon us,-
they ask not for money and care
if they did not expect it.-
at night we went to see the Opera
"Hernani,"- found it nothing extraordin-
ary, having seen it in Paris, played
by Ristori, Belotti & others of great
talent.—

11. Fair and coarse, first to see
the Cathedral, founded in 1298-
it is a most magnificent edifice
the walls are almost entirely cased
with marble on the outside, the
whole length of this building is
245 feet, from the pavement to
the summit of the Cross is 387 feet
This immense structure is characterized
by grandeur and simplicity. - the pave-
ment is tessilated with red, blue
and white marble which adds to the
finish of this Temple of God. - near
the door on the North aisle is the
portrait of the Poet Dante, by
Domenico di Michelino, it was
placed here by a decree of the

Republic in 1263.—

Near the Cathedral or Duomo, is the Campanile or Bell Tower, square on the plan and rising to the height of 275 feet; it was designed and founded by Giotto in 1332,— the architecture is Italian Gothic.— it is unsurmounted by a Spire, tho. such was the original intention of the designer.— on the summit may still be seen the four escal-pens from which was to have risen the Spire.— in the upper stories the pigeons nest very good both the designs and execution,— next, to the Church of the Annunziata, „La Santissima Annunziata„— built

in the Thirteenth century. Some parts of this Church are very beau-tiful, particularly the Chapel of the Annunziata, built in 1424. The Altar and many of the orna-ments are of pure silver, — we visited several other Churches, — but found nothing worthy of special note, —

Next to the Uffizzi a fine building, erected by Cosmo I. for public offices and tribunals, but is now and has been for a great while, devoted to purposes of the fine Arts, the Gallerie Guerriniere e Reale, the richest and most varied in the world

is deposited in the upper Story.-
we found here much to admire, - in
the Second Vestibule, is the celeb
-rated Flountine Boar, in marble,
and two noble figures of wolves,
Statues of Adrian, Isaac Augusty
very fine, - In the Tribune the
great object of of attraction is
the Jupiter was the Statue
universally known as the
Venus de Medici, it is verily,
an example of perfection as to
an the pedestal are inscribed
in Greek letters, the name of the
Author, This, the greatest piece of Sculp
ture, these letters were doubtless chis
eled by the Author, Klemenes, Son-
of Apalodorus, an Athenian, -

I was charmed with this exquisitely handsome statue. - The Apollino in the same room is also of a beautyful and tender form - it is considerd one of the most valuable monuments of ancient art that has reached us the height of the figure is four feet and six inches; not so tall as the Venus de Medicis is four feet & eleven inches and a fraction. -

The Dancing Faun, displays great skill of the artist. - There seems to be an elasticity and agility of action about the figure throughout. - The Gottatori, or group of Statues, is a remarkable example of intricate and yet compact com-

position," - it abounds with energy
and expression, and yet there seems
to be nothing exaggerated. -
Of the paintings, the following -
particularly attracted our attention
The remembrance Scenes, by Titian
considered by many, to be the most
perfect picture in the collection -
two noble figures of the Prophets Josiah
and Job. the latter holds a scroll, with
Ipse erit Salvator meus. by Bartolom-
meo, - the Virgin kneeling in adoration
before the Infant who is sleeping on
a portion of her drapery. by Correggio
The martyrdom of St. Stephen
by Cigoli, the Baptism of Europa. by -
Albano, - St Peter delivered by the

Angel out of Prison, by Salvator Rosa
There are many other paintings
and pieces of Statuary of high merit and great beauty, but I have
not the time to make a note of them
now - to the Academy of the Fine
Arts, (Accademia delle Belle Arti)
which includes several Schools, -
Lecturships, and Professorships in
various branches of the fine Arts and
of Science, there is an interesting and
curious collection of pain
tings, Statuary &c. And after visiting
the Uffizi we thought there
nothing extraordinary. - after
dinner we took another drive to
the Cascine, to see the gay world

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-ment here, by the Military Band
which all of the Aristocracy and the
gay Visitors of Florence attend Ladies
their Carriages drawn up in the
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-mentary manner imaginable, after
which, and during the afternoon
visits are being paid and received
and the time is passed in social
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plotted here, a most fascinating
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the prototype (tho. much younger)
of one I left behind, an American
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a Florentine beauty, as she
spoke French with an accent
and a volubility, that truly besp
-oke her native land. Mais, I pensais
mon bois, passe-que, il faut. Je ne can
Sir, -

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is the Tomb of Buonarotti Michael Angelo;
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arts, Painting, Sculpture, and,
Architecture, appears as mourning
his bust above is considered a
most faithful likeness, — this
an amazing handsome, Monuments
and pictures in this Church, it is
the last resting place of several
of the Bonaparte family. —
we again strolled up to visit the Pitti
Palace, were conducted thro the private
Apartments, which were found elegan
— ly furnished, many of the tables being
inlaid with the richest — and worthy
finely wrought Mosaics, —
at night to the Opera, Attila was.

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tho. this opera has a world wide
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13. rain, and clouds lowering,
visited the House of Michael Angelo
saw his bust; Chisel'd by himself
at an advanced age; also much
of his furniture, with pictures,
designs, and Sculpture, — The Italians
Cherish his memory with a commend
-dable spirit and reverence, —
after dinner again to the Cascine
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of all Italy, I have not before
heard such music, - there was
a great deal of beauty and
much gaiety, the whole atmos
phere was redolent with the
most grateful odors emanating
from the Thousands of bouquets
and perfumed handkerchiefs, and
over and anon these delicious odors
were dissipated by the gentle
Zephyrs wafting along the aroma
tic fumes of an Havana Cigar
As I may I am to visit this
gay Capital again, - at night
cosete to Ballet, - heard some un-
pleasant news about the Brigands
of Northern Italy, - about Terracina &c. -

12. pleasant and clear - purchased a
beautiful Mosaic for a Breast-pin
(leaves and flowers of the white Jessamin),
also bought a most singular contri
-vance for smoaking Cigars, in all
of my perigrinations I have not
seen an instrument so curious
to-day we visited the great Mosaic
Manufactory of Florence, and I may
say of the world, as there is no other
place where Mosaic work is done
with such perfection, it being post
ed by the Government and carried
on at the public expense, - when
the workmen attain the age of sixty
they are pensioned by the Government
during the remainder of their lives

the process is an undertaking requiring a great deal of patience and perseverance, one case a Table barely finished, which had occupied the time, artist, of three men for eight months, it is for the Queen of England, - price Six thousand and eight hundred dollars one case several other pieces of this elegant work, at, perhaps, a cheap price, - are secured in the Government Courier, or Post Coach for Guaymas, next Tuesday 18, - Just we trust that the Brigands may be asleep during that night and the one succeeding -

all night to the Sonora Theatre, - -

13. warm and clear. first-la cvitnes a-
funeral ceremony in a Church near-
our Hotel, the drapesary and decorations
of the Coffin surpassed in splendor-
any thing of the kind that we have seen
I know not- to whom this last tribute
of respect and sincere devotion, was-
being paid,- it was very imposing.—
to-day, again, to the uffizi, in the
Hall of Boccaccio is a Table of florentine
mosaic, which is the richest work
of the kind ever made; it was begun
in 1613 and occupied twenty two
workmen for twenty five years,
being completed in 1638.— it is
exquisitely beautiful. — . . —
In the Cabinet of Modern Bronzes

are copies of the Rimini
(better than the original). the Assalin
the Dancing Faun, - the Group of
Mars Ilia and the L, Arsutio or-
the Shade entering his Barge -
are also quite satisfied with our-
visit, - next to the Palace Pitti to
see Raphael's Madonna della Segg
-ola, the greatest of all of his Madonnas
Ah! how sweet and perfect it is.
in the same Hall (that of Mars) is
the picture of the three Fates by -
Michael Angelo, - in the Hall of
Ulysses is a Portrait of Cleiner
Cromwell by Sir P. Lely, it is said
to be the truest likeness that now
exists of that very great man —

Diogenes throwing away his cup
on seeing a boy drink out of his hand
by Salvator Rosa. — very expressive. —
There are many other objects of interest
and beauty in these spacious Halls, but
my time will not allow a further notice
next to the Church of Santa Maria
Novella founded in 1278. is 322 feet
long and 203 feet wide, — it contains
much splendid stained glass, particu-
larly in the circular window of the
facade, in which is represented the
Virgin surrounded by the Angelic
host. There are many fine paintings
and elegant tombs or Monuments
in this Church on the west side
and entering from the Church to the

Chiostro Verde, which derives its
name from the prevailing tint of
the frescos, green shades with brown
painted in 1368.— they represent
principally subjects from the
Book of Genesis, — the Deluge is
very fine, —.

16. Sunday. Very warm and perfectly
fair. — Visit to the Boboli Gardens, adjoining
the Pitti Palace, the ground rises behind
the Palace: — and from the upper portion
we had fine views of Florence, with its
domes and towers, the dark embowered
walks and the living walls of verdure
are admirable; — we sat down beneath
the flowering Chestnut, the verdant
Laurel, and the stately and comely

Cypress, and mused on the past
and planned for the future, but alas!
these day-dreams of happiness, may-
be but Castles in the Air.- During our
rambles about this pleasant retreat
I thought much of my Home. - - -
The afternoon we spent at the
Cascine, it being the sabath. Then
was an unusual number of per-
sons (several Thousand) in attendance
we had delightful Music, and quite
a parade of Beauty, - saw many of
the distingué, male and female, -
saw a horse-race, and many
other little things that contribu
-ted to the pleasures of the occa
-sion. -

17. very warm - and a bright sun
ups at an early hour and off to
visit the Hospital Holy Mania. Ospeda
le di Santa Maria, founded in
1278. by the father of Dante, Beatrice
it is admirably well managed and
is the Anatomical and Medical
School of Florence, we were politely
showed Thro. all of the wards, which
are very extensive, containing more
than a Thousand patients at present
the Professors (of whom there are
ten) were making the visit, whilst
we were in the Hospital, we had
an opportunity of seeing the great
Surgeon and Physician of Tuscany.
Meneghini. Andreini and Burgalini. -
also Prof. Bigenoli (Surgeon -)

in the Physeological Department
we found many rare and curious
things,- quite conspicuous among
them was the petrifactions of diff
erent positions of the human body
presenting all of the appearances
of Nature, the author of these
beautiful specimens has been
dead about ten years, during as
he lived, in obscurity and miserab
le poverty,- alas, for Genius thou
art seldom justly rewarded,- we also
saw the skeleton of the great Prussian
Giant who has been dead only a few
years,- the Museum is neatly filled
up and is arranged with taste, we
were quite delighted with our visit.

feeling grateful to the courteous
gentlemen who kindly attended us,
after this we went to the Palaz-
zo Vecchio, containing many fine
pieces and several large pictures
of great value, - in one of the halls
we found some beautiful work-
in Amber and also in Ivory.

18. warm and hazy. quite a headache
this morning. - called at the Studio
of Prof. Hart an American Sculptor
of much promise, who is making
the Statue of Gen. Clay for Virginia
it is to be placed in Richmond.
it will be but a just tribute to
the illustrious Statesman and
Orator by his native State. -

the block of marble (upon the
rough state) from which the statue
is to be sculptured is beautiful
indeed and thought not to be without
a fault, - we brought away a
piece of this block as a souvenir
- Mrs. H. Reeves has an Instrum-
-ent, invented by herself for
obtaining more accurate measu-
rements for the Sculptures
this instrument does credit to
his genius and will doubtless
enrich his purse. he demonstra-
ted its superior advantages to us, and we
were quite satisfied of its merits. -
At 5 o'clock P.M. we set out
for Venice, per Forth Coach -

Brad. Poste, we had a delightful
ascent of Monte as we ascended
the Apennines towards Bologna, -
about 7 o'clock A. M., we reached
the Apennines, too, dash we were
unable to discern much of this pic
turesque and romantic country
at present we passed the most
magnificent scenery (natural)
that we have ever passed -
a horrible night, having slept not
at all, during the night we passed
the extraordinary fires of Petra Mola.
which are constantly issuing from a.
clapping spot of about eight across,
of rocky ground, - these fires can seen
at a considerable distance, and are very

bitumen,- the gas emitted is a-
combination of carbon and hydrogen
and is produced by the decomposition
of the vegetable remains in the sub-
jacent sandstone rock- which is
in great abundance in some parts
of the mountains,-

19. a glorious day, still in the
mountains, at 8 Oclock- A.M. arri-
-ved at Bologna where we remained
three hours, had breakfast, and stro
-lled about the town, saw nothing
worth a note, at noon in the town
of Modena the Capital of the Duchy
of the same name, found Thiogate
a nice little place containing some
thirty Thousand people,- after this

Road. Poste, we had a delightful
view of Florence as we ascended
the Apennines towards Bologna, -
about 7 o'clock A. M., we reached
the Summit, too, dark we were
unable to discern much of this pic
turesque and romantic country
at present we passed the most
magnificent scenery (natural)
that we have ever seen - we passed -
a horrible night, having slept not
at all, during the night we passed
the extraordinary fires of Petra Mola.
which are constantly issuing from a.
clapping spot of about eight across,
of rocky ground, - these fires can seen
at a considerable distance, and are very

brilliant;- the gas emitted is a-
combination of carbon and hydrogen
and is produced by the decomposition
of the vegetable remains in the sub-
jacent sandstone rock- which is
in great abundance in some parts
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of Modena the Capital of the Duchy
of the same name, found Thingvalla
a nice little place containing some
thirty Thousand people,- after this

we passed thro. a delightful coun-
try in a high state of Cultivation.
about 5 Oclock P.M. we crossed
the River Po, the largest river that
I have seen in Europe, we cros-
sed by means of a singularly con-
trived apparatus, made of Gondas &
happily for us we saw nothing of-
so much talked of Banditti, arrived at
the well fortified Town of Anantua, at
7 Oclock P.M., in passing thro. Gour-
-bardy we saw many of the stately
and tapering poplar trees; and aspens
that would puzzle old Pike or Banaeus
the Enumerate. - the most delightful
woods that we have found in all
Europe are in North Italy, - at 8 P.M.
the birth place of the illustrious poet Virgil, -

are found apartments, a „Bad dinner,
and Breakfast no better at the Hotel
of the Golden Eagle, Grand albergo dell'
Aquila d. Oro.- enormously dear -
we have seen nothing like the pri
ces in this Hotel on the Continent,
are considered the bill downright
robery. -"

20. up at an early hour, took a -
stroll about this miscanvely.
Town, To-day is a fete-day with the
inhabitants (Ascension-Day-) thus
we had an opportunity of seeing
matters and things in general and
the women especially, to the best
advantage, - They observe the manners, customs & mode of dress, black

l, -

with &c.) of The Romans, - At 11½
a clock Arrive. are left for the R.
B. Station, three miles away -
thence per chemin de fer to -
Verona, are left a clever Scotch
gentleman behind, we made his
acquaintance en route from
Florence, will meet him again
in Geneva where he lives, -
we passed hurriedly thro. Verona, which
is quite an ancient town, it is divided
into two unequal parts by the river
Adige, which is subject to tremendous
floods. - There are many elegant Churches
in this Town, - Verona and Shakespeare
are of course associated in one's mind
immediately, - the last resting place of

Juliet being here, — "the Tomb is of red Verona marble and was formerly used by the Italians as a washing trough," —

At 2½ P.M. we set out for Venice by a most splendid Railway. All of the Stations are most beautiful being built up in good taste and with an eye single to comfort and safety from accidents. At Dusk we passed the celebrated City of Padua with its towering Steeples and venerable Domes, more anon as we propose visiting this place in a few days. At 8 o'clock P.M. we were in the floating City, procured a Gondola and

are now in the "Hotel of Europe,"—
(Albergo D'Europa) how strange to
find the streets of water.—
From Verona we passed near the
field of Arcola the scene of one of
Napoleans famous battles with
the Austrians, an obelisk was erected
near the bridge of Arcola in commem
oration of the victory, and is yet
standing, tho. much mutilated and
disfigured.—

21. up at 6. and after an indifferent
breakfast went out sight-seeing
we did not take a Gondola as is
the custom of voyagers, first to
the Place St. Marks. (Piazza San
Marco,) the centre of business and amuse-
ment, of all Venice, a description of
this pleasant and fashionable resort
I will not attempt; but content-
myself with the mention of a few
of the most conspicuous objects, viz.
the Campanile tower, founded in
902. is 42. feet square at the base.
and 323. feet high, on one side it is
ornamented with four Statues cast
in bronze. - Pallas, Mercury. Apollo
and Peace. we ascended to the Belfrey and

had a magnificent view of the City and the neighboring Islands. The ascent is quite easy being by a continuous inclined plane which winds around an inner tower, open or hollow, — the order is a fanciful Composite, — on the eastern side of this Place stands the Doge's Palace, or Palazzo Ducale, the giants Staircase Scala dei Giganti is a noble structure at the head of which and on either side are colossal Statues of Mars and Neptune, in the court yard are two finely sculptured bronze wells, all built in the 15th century. — The Library is large and extensive containing many valuable Medical

works several of which even quite familiar to us, - These Halls contain very many oil paintings upon Canvass. - Paradise, said to be the largest painting or picture in the world, it is 82 ft. 9 in. wide and 34 feet high, - it is one of Tintoretto, after an hour spent here we went to the Hall of Sculpture in which we found many good pieces of the ancient Greeks, - next to the Church of San Marco which is the Cathedral, it was founded in 828 - the remains of St. Mark the Apostle were brought from Alexandria and deposited in this Church since the manner - There is much beautiful & marble in this edifice, - the form is that of a Greek Cross, - we had an opportunity of visiting

the Treasury (of St. Marks,) which is open
only on friday at mid-day it is
divided into two departments one
containing sacred religious religieus
the other objects of art.- the collec-
tion of relics is rich and some of
the objects are curious and interest
-ing, such as a piece of the Dress of
our Saviour, a small quantity of
the earth which imbibed his blood
on Calvary, a bit of the pillar to which
he was bound when scourged, and
also some of the hair of the Virgin
Mary. These things were all shewn
to us with much gravity and sincerity
by a well-fed Priest.- I could fill a
dozen pages in speaking of this building

but must pass on :- Among the curious
relics of ancient times in the Place St-
Mark- I will mention, the Stone of-
Shame,,- the square piers of St- John
of Acre, originally forming part of a-
gateway in that City, and brought
to Venice in 1233,- they are covered-
with fretwork, and inscriptions, which
have never been explained, they are
indeed curious and antique, :- —

22. weather warm and fair, my friend and myself nearly sick, this. we procured a gondola with two men to row, and set out to see what was to be seen first to the Church of which there are an immense number two of the finest pictures that I have ever seen are found in, St. Sanctissimo Redentore situated on the island Giu-decca, - they are by Giov. Bellini, The Virgin and Child and two Angels, - and the Virgin and Child and two Saints Ah! they are exquisitely beautiful. - in the Church Santa Maria della Salute are some elegant paintings. Por etian Apli Titiano St. Ursula with four Saints, - the marriage at Cana by -

Tintoretto, - the last-supper. and
Saul aiming his spear at David
by Salviati. - are remarkably fine
in several other Churches we saw-
much to admire. — next to the
Academia delle belle Arte which
contains many fine pictures and
some good Sculpture, the Copy of
the Venus di Medici and also that
of Canova are good, - after this to
the Crystal and Lead Factory, we
saw many curious things here of
which more anon. -

we passed the Cemetery where the
bones of the deceased were being burnt
this operation takes place every twelfth
year and continues many days. no

one is allowed to visit it during
this occasion, we also went to the
Bridge of Rialto, (Ponte di Realto) -
(across the Grande Canal) and the
Bridge of Sighs, of which Lord Byron
has written much. -
At night to the Theatre Apollo, saw
the Opera Norma, by a fine corps,
the Star of the evening was a Senorita
Spitzea, who is young and handsome
and sings admirably well, - she
acted well her part and the evening
passed pleasantly. - The early part
of the evening we spent in the Place
St. Mark where the gay and fashionable
throng every evening to take their ices, sip
their coffee and listen to the most ench-

-anting Music by the native Venetian
musicians, and the Military Band-
(Austrian)- ah! a charming place, this
Venice, -

23. Sunday - warm and clear, procured
a gondola and went first to the Armenian
Convent connected with the Church.
San Lazaro on the Island of the same
name, Lord Byron studied the
Armenian language; we found his
autograph in two places in
the Register, also the Signature of
many distinguished foreign and
native persons visitors and patrons
of these erudite and profound religious
we purchased a beautiful copy of a
book containing Twenty four Prayers

in 24 different Languages, it is
indeed a curious work - and will
serve me as a Souvenir of this
agreeable visit, from the Garden I-
gathered a very uncommon Rose -
which I have deposited in the book -
one was kindly shewn this, all of -
the apartments by one of the gen
tles who seemed quite satisfied with
our grateful acknowledgements, having
courteously refused our proffered money
during our visit. Divine Service was
being performed, we thought the
Music good, very good, -
next, to the Public Gardens, which
we found nothing uncommon -
save the Bisons of the Boys, a Palm

the theatre of many a Scene of horror
during the 14th Century, (the days of
the Inquisition), - the Cells are still in
a good state of preservation, - the after-
-noon and evening we spent on the Place -
St Mark. it being the Sabath, there was
an unusual Turnout, - we saw a number
of the Venetian Beauties, and I can say, that
the most extravagant praises that have
been lavished, by Poets and others, upon
the charms of these dark-eyed creatures, -
have but lately done them justice. -
at 7 Oclock P.M. we made a Gondola -
Promenade about the City, we had quite
an agreable party, it being composed
of an Englishman, a German, a Swed-
-man, and Two Americans, - time passed

pleasantly and Luxuriously on and the
still Lovers of mid-night soon amid
Which may I live to visit again, as
soon Saturn day, This glorious City
in the sea, — where no track of men,
no foot steps to and fro, lead to her gates,

24. pleasant Rio most clear; up at an-
early hour, went to search our Pass port
and make arrangements about leaving
on the morrow, — next with a Gondola
to see the Guarpini Palace an elegant
modern building, — it contains the
best collection of paintings in
Venice, after that of the Academy —
The Descent upon the Cross, by Titian,

is very fine, - the Embarkation of Noah, by Raphael, is very impressive and is a curious scene, Lucretia by Guido, seems to have no depth - the Portrait of Ariosto, by Titian, was called by Lord Byron the poetry of portrait and the portrait of poetry, nothing can be better, - attached to this Palace is a good sized Garden very beautiful - there, - to the Greek Church, San Giorgio dei Greci, which was thirty years in building, and is indeed rich in Oriental Marble, precious Stones and fine pictures, - after this to the Church of the Santa Anastasia Gloriosa dei Frari built in 1250, - it contains many tombs, among them is that of Titian

who died in 1573 at the age of 99
years; erected to his memory over
the spot where he was laid, is
one of the handsomest Monuments
that we have seen, — opposite is
this is a noble Monument of
Parian marble erected to the
memory of Canova whose remains
were deposited here, this Monument
is magnificent indeed,, honour to
them to whom honour is due,, —
The Monument of the Venetian
General Benedetto Pesaro, is an
elegant Triumphal Arch, and forms
the decoration of the door of the
Sacristy, there are pictures of high
finish and merit in this Church

we also went to the Church of the
Jesuits which we found very rich in
Oriental marble and fine Sculpture
we then Home to dinner, after which
to the famous Promenade Place
Lucca, Bands, Band soon delighting
Music, by some Venetian Beauties
the Military Band &c. - purchased
some beautiful pearls and beads
at a Pearl Shop - for which B. -
is famous the world over. -

25. ups by the dacus, early and
off per Gondola for the Station
three for. Rail Way. to the seven
Seat of learning Padua. after
an indifferent breakfast at a-
high price, Hotel Stella d, Oro,
first name that I. first to the
Palazzo. della Ragione, a vast
building, standing entirely upon
open Arches, it was built in the
12. th Centuy, the Hall is 240 feet
in length and 80 wide, about the
same in height and nearly victor
Gothic, it contains many Stran
-ange Mystical figures or paintings -
designed by Giotto under the direct
-tions of Pietro d'Abano, colo

was the first to revive the art of
Medicine in Europe about 1280
He practiced with the greatest
success; and his Medical works
were considered as amongst the
most valuable volumes of the
Therapeutic Library of the middle ages"
his bust is over one of the doors of
the Hall. near the main door is the
Lapis Vituperii, or altar of insolency,
it is of black granite, at the top or
lower end of the Hall, is the Tomb and
Monument of Livy.

Thence to the Universeity, which enjoyed
Considerable celebrity as early as 1221
among the great names of the 16th
and 17 Centuries we found those of

Vesalius, Fallopius, Fabricius de
Aquapendente and Spigelius.—
Professors in this School, and in
later years Morgagni.— The Univer-
-ity still has four, Theology, Law
Medicine and Humanity. The
Anatomical Theatre was built by
Aquapendente in 1594. It is said to
be the oldest in Europe. The num
ber of Students in the Medical
department is 350 at present, it
is necessary to remain five years
before one can graduate, the
Museum is small but worthy of
attention, we were highly gratified
with our visit,— Padua also
possesses the most ancient Botanic

Garden, it is laid out in the ancient
formal style, - we found there the
statues of Solomon, and Dioscorides
- the first-two that was planted
here is yet standing and in a flour-
ishing condition, - the Gardener or
Custode, gave me a most fragrant
flower which I will preserve as
a memento of my visit to this
hallowed ground, which I quitted with
many regrets, - after this we visited
some of the Churches among them
San Antonio which is remarkable
for the splendour and beauty of its
internal Decorations, containing
much elegant bas-relief, in bronze
marble and wood, also many fine

paintings and pieces of Statuary -
Oh! I will not fail to mention
the Church Santa Restituta, which
is supposed to have been erected
on the site of the Temple of -
Concord, - one of the Chapels contains
an ancient image of the Virgin
and Child, brought from Constan-
tinople, the face of the Child appro-
aches nature nearer than any
picture that I have ever seen
it seems to be without a single fault
these pictures are highly considered
being cared for with every attention
imaginable, -
at 2 p.m. Oclock. P.M. we set out
for Abelas pr. Chemin de fer.

and diligence, during the evening
and night we passed thro, a nice
Country covered with aspen and
Mulberry groves,- they grow silk
and grass the latter was being mowed,
about Twilight we passed the lake
di Gardi the Benacus of the Ancients
on the eastern shore is Mount Baldo
this lake is about 30 miles long and
12 wide.- at 11. Oclock. P. M. we
remain the beautiful & ancient
Town of Brescia where we had
good supper bread and butter,

26. arrived at Milan at 8 o'clock
This morning, we are staying at a
most magnificent House, Hotel
de la Ville de Milan.. after a
nice breakfast. went to visit
the Cathedral the finest in the
world, founded in 1386.—" the building
has been often interrupted, and has,
when resumed, been often carried
on slowly, and is yet unfinished,"
it is certainly the most elegant and
tastefully constructed edifice that
we have yet seen, tho. not so grand
and imposing as St. Peters; it is
much more handsome,- will visit
this magnificent Temple again
and then, —

we strolled about this pro-
tytpe of Paris, the remainder of
the day and were in bed at an-
early hour, having slept not last
night, - +

27. warm and clear, first we ascen-
ded the Summit of the Cathedral
upon which we had a noble view
of the plain of Lombardy, studded
with Cities, villages and belfry towers
and the whole land walled in by
the snowy Alps, many points of
which are plainly seen with a good
glass. which we were fortunate enough
to trace, Mount Blanc, Monte Ros-
the passes of St Bernard and the Dis-
plon were pointed out to us, we also

had a good view of of Brescia, Lodi
Cremona, Crema. and the boundless
plain of the P.. The Apennines are
seen to good advantage, the most re-
-markable point is the Serivi-
-ne mountain. This giddy height-
-about two hours, with this grand spec-
-tacle spread out before us.. I purcha
-sed a beautiful souvenir of. This
The most elegant of Temples, it is
a piece of gilt-bronze on one
side of which is a faithful en
-graving of the Cathedral, on the
other the head of the founder.
Two of the best Statues that we have
seen we found on this Church, Adam
and Eve.. There are four Statues

of Napoleon surrounded our Tomb very fine. —

We then the Palazzo Reale the Royal Palace, which we found very elegant, particularly the Throne Room. — During the afternoon we procured a carriage and went, to make the Drive, which is one of the handsomest in Europe, being finely shaded for miles by large Chestnuts which are at this time in bloom, this promenade passes entirely around the City just within the Fortifications, — the different gates are of the most elegant Architecture, particularly the Arch of Triumph, Arco della Pace, — on the top of this arch is a

bronze figures of Peace, in a car drawn
by six horses, - four figures, of fame on
at each angle or corner, announce her-
arrival, This monument is constructed
principally of the Ogliasca (marble) found near -
the lake of Como. and of Crevola marble
from Piedmont - it was finally comp
-leted in 1838. having been commenced in
1807. - it commands the unbounded ad-
-miration of every one who see it, -
it might to the Opera to see Hernani
we found it quite a bore, - the performa
-nce being but indifferent and the con
duct of the audience anything but
creditable, - much confusion and
very bad order! - so much for the
grand Ballance, -

28 Clear with an agreeable breeze
first to the Busa Palazzo delle
Scienze e delle Arti, there are many
excellent pictures in these Halls, I
was particularly struck with St.
Mark preaching at Alexandria in
Egypt by G. Bellini. - 2, Orbetto a-
whole length Magdalene. - Oh!
beautiful indeed, - The Souls in Purgatory
by Salvator Rosa, admirable, - The
martyrdom of St. Catherine by Gau-
denzio Ferrari, - This picture is well
coloured and the figures have a life
like appearance an impression Deve-
ria as many others which I have
neither time nor place to mention
The Museo Lapidario, in the same

building, contains some ancient in-
-scriptions and sculptured ornaments,
and the bronze Statue of Napoleon -
which was intended to surmount the
Arco della Pace &c. - west; & the
Ambrosian Library Biblioteca Ambro
-siana, founded in 1605. by Federigo
Borromeo, the cousin of San Carlo
Borromeo, - among the curious things
here are saw the letters of Tasso and
Marcus Aurelius, and several bits
or fragments of Cicero's Orations -
also the autograph correspondence
between Bembo and Lucretia also a
lock of her golden hair, There are
about One Hundred and thousand volumes
in this Library independent of the Manu
scripts -

after this to the Hospital Maggiore
which is a most splendid establish-
ment. founded in 1457. It contains -
four thousand beds, and is considered the
largest Hospital in Europe, the arrang-
ements are good, the wards are clean
and the sick are well cared for; the
Physicians and Surgeons (of whom -
there are fifty six) pay two visits -
during the day (viz) at 8. A.M. and at 3
P.M. - thence to the Church St. Alessandro
which has one of the finest altars in
the world - next to the Silk and Velvet
factories for which Milan is celebrated, -
manufactoring more silken good than
all of the other parts of Italy. - at night
to the Royal Theatre, saw a splendid Ballet
dance. - twenty four beautiful girls. - -
Dining the day to the Theatre La Scala. stood in the world

29. Cloudy; an occasional rain, and much thunder, up at 5 Oclock. and off. for Bâle way to The City of Como- which contains about Twenty Thousand inhabitants, is almost surrounded by mountains, has many fine churches, - was the birth place of the Plinys. - is situated immediately upon the head of Lake Como, formerly called le fleuve du Triande, at 9. Oclock A.M. we were on board of a nice little Steamer which took us up the lake, I had no conception of what we had to see, Oh! how lavishly Nature has expended her gifts, (in the way of picturesque

and romantic scenery) and
this delightful country, and to
contribute
~~a~~ to the variety and beauty of
Nature's wild grandeur, the hand-
of man has been busy for ages
in adding Chateaus, Towers, Gardens
and Statues upon each border of
Como, & Transparent waters; al-
most as we arrived at the little Village
of ~~Bellagio~~ after breakfast we
ascended Mount ~~Bellagio~~ had a fine
view, Three or four Chateaus
tastefully arranged and elegantly
fitted up, among them that
of the Princess Belgiojoso of Austria
- in the limpid water and near
the bank, I picked up a handsome

stone as a souvinier, I think it
susceptible of a high polish, and
will make a nice ornament, -
at 5 Oclock P. M. we returned to the
City of Como and there par. Diligence
to Verase over a picturesque and moun
tainous Country. - arrived at 9. P. M. -
stopped for the night at the albergo
de L, Angel - it soon came on to
rain and it tumbled in Torrents dur
the night - Verase is rather a nice
town containing about ten thousand
people. -

(Sunday.)

30. Darke, and continuing to rain
since at 6. and ordered the horses and
Chaises for Lake Maggiore, distant
about two and a half hours, which
is the way they estimate distance
in Italy, at 9 A.M. we arrived at a
dirty little Town called Sesto situate
immediately upon the lake, here we
had a bad breakfast, at a high price, we
procured a boat to visit the Islands, an
enormous price was demanded for the
boat; but like the Italians generally
the boatmen were disposed to take
what they could get, and induced
their price to a more reasonable sum
say four Dollars, and we were soon
afloat upon this beautiful sheet

of water it rained almost incessantly. The wind blew much and we had it quite rough, the scenery resembles much that of Como, the mountain sides, dotted with white houses, towers, Castles, gardens and vines and anon a comely village with its towering Spires and shady walks, - we visited the Islands, the Chateau or Palace and Gardens of the Isle Island. Chateau de Isola Bella, - these islands are all beautiful and highly cultivated, - finally we landed at a Station, called Stresa, on the Sardinia side, - we here hired a horse and carriage and went to Arona, near the head of the lake, - a pretty little town

of five or six thousand persons, two or three handsome churches, it being the sabath we had an opportunity of seeing the people quite to an advantage, the women are remarkably handsome and wear the costume of the Romans, of which I have before spoken, they seems to be very pious and are a church-going people. I would rather live here than any place that I have seen in Italy, the climate is delightful, the scenery magnificent, the fare good and the people well civilized. - we strolled about this neat little town until dinner, after which a good bed and soon in the land of dreams. -

31. delightful morning, bright
as a new pin, all nature seems
refreshed from yesterday's rain.-
Rain having been more before for
a great-while.- after a good break-
fast- we ascended the mountain, near
by, to see the magnificent bronze-
Statue of San Carlo Borromeo-
this beautiful monument to a good man
is sixty feet high, and is placed on a granite
pedestal of about-forty-feet-in
height.- after leaving our Passports
Visés and paying well for it, we took
leave of our courteous and kind-
host and his handsome and industrious
family, and "cut-out" for Lanin
po. Diligence, we traversed a fine-

country with the snow-clad Alps in view. At 4 P.M. we arrived at a neat little City called Novara. - At being a religious Fête-Day, we saw the inhabitants in their sunday clothes, - we had two or three hours to spare time here, so we walked about the town, - to see what was to be seen - but nothing worthy of special notice except a long bill for a bad dinner, - at 6 P.M. we were again under way for Torino, this having behind our morning diligence, which was the most elegant and comfortable that I have ever seen; about twilight arrived at Vercelli a considerable town, on entering which we traversed

a most magnificent bridge, construc-
-ted of granite and bricks - we travel
all the night joined in the coupé of
the Diligence with an unpleasant Com
-panion, a Frenchman, whom we suppo
-sed had used but little of it, an de-
Cologne or it, atto de Rose since his
youth, - we slept none and felt
rather cross for wear from the night's
journey. -

June 1. arrived at Turin this morn
-ing at 4 Oclock and found quarters at
the Hotel d'Ecu de Turin is situated in the
most beautiful conjoint valleys of
the Dipasia and the Po. just above
their confluence; contains about

120000 inhabitants and is one of the most flourishing Cities in Europe - we find it quite cool, the climate being influenced by the vicinity of the Alps, which almost surround the City, after an early breakfast - went out to look about the Town, leaving my friend in bed) - and I can say with truth that I have not seen a more handsome and thriving City in all Europe. The houses being built up in the most tasteful and elegant style of modern Architecture, the streets generally straight and clean, the Places, Promenade walks delightful, and last tho. not least; the Caffés are fitted up in

the most luxurious and princely style
comfort-having been consulted in
every arrangement.- The people,
and especially the females, look-
pale and unhealthy.- There are a
great many cases of goitre here, tho.
we have observed that this affection
becomes more common as we ap-
-roach the alps.- During the afternoon
we visited several fine Churches,-
heard some good music &c.- after
dinner wrote a letter to Dr. Bicks,-
and then to bed.

2. quite a rainy morning, about noon
it cleared up, and we went out sight
-seeing, first to the Royal Gallery of
Pictures, in which we found many

exquisitely Lamdscape painting a-
piece of which I will mention.-
La Madonna della Seda on wood. a-
very beautiful picture,- by Raphael
Venus and Cupid superintending
the forging of the Arrows of Mars
by Bassano.- rich. — Cain bat-bet-
-een three sons of Venus and three sons
of Bacchus, by Guido. — Herodias,
daughter receiving the head of St.
John the Baptist, by Bernardino
Luini. — again the same picture
by Giorgione. both admirable. —
Cain killing Abel, by Elisabetta Sirani
good, very good. — Earth, Air, Fire
and Water by Albano. —
. . . . . a Portrait of.

Charles Albert the present King by
Venetti an elegant painting and good
likeness — in one of the apartments
we saw the most beautiful Copies
on Porcelain, of Titians Bacchus —
Venuses; at Florence, I cannot imma
-gine any thing more elegant or of
a higher finish, they are by Constan
-tia. — after this visit to the Royal
Academy of Sciences, (Palazzo dell,
Accademia Reale delle Scienze,) which
contains several Museums two. all
of which are well much to our
edification and pleasure; some
of the finest and most beautiful
Mineralogical Specimens in the
World are to be seen in the Museum
of Natural History. —

we also visited the Exposition of the Paintings of the Artists of the present day, with which we were much pleased. —

3. Clear and bright, rose at 7. rather unwell, quite nervous with a heavy head. First to the Royal Gardens, which are pretty well arranged, containing a fountain, fine Statues, delightful promenades and rural Hedges, — next to the Pincio, about four miles from the City, we went by means of a Citadel to the foot of the Mountain, thence to the summit by donkeys. The mountain is very steep and is surmounted by an elegant Church founded in 1706 by Victorio Amadeo in accordance

with a Vow made by Lieu previous to the battle of Turin, the elevation to the summit of the building is 2200 feet, we had a superb view of the rich plain of Lombardy, girdy in by the alpine mountains on the North and the Apennines on the South we also had a good view of the scene of one of Napoleons most famous battles, Marengo. — There (are) several remarkably handsome pictures in this Church underneath are the Tombs of many members of the House of Savoy - (Kings, Queens & Princesses of Sardinia) at night, we paid our bill, packed our sacks and made arrangements for an early start in the morning

4. Clear and pleasant- Started at 6 -
for Josia, in reaching which we
traversed an ugly Country for which
Nature or man had done but little
at 11. Oclock. A. M. we arrived at
Josia a dirty little town containing
several thousand people, and situ-
ated at the foot of the mountains and
upon the river Dora Baltea which
comes tumbling down from the
mountain sides with all of the
noise and confusion of a mighty
Cataract, we then had a miserable
breakfast, strolled about the town
and then took a nap, having to
remain here twelve hours. for the
Deligence to Aosta, in many or

nearly all of the Italian towns
the females wear a peculiar costume
as this place they wear a red hand
kerchief upon their heads; and
"dark dresses,, during the afternoon we
had quite a Thunder Storm, tho' soon
again clear. we found this like all
other Italian towns, full of Soldiers.
- very unwell - poorly able to travel
all the night. may the morrow
bring a better day. 11. Oclock P.M. -
again on the road. -
3. at 9. this morning we arrived at-
Aosta having travelled all the night
passing over an indifferent country
with a wretched population, looking
sad meagre, and badly clad. Aosta is

a very old town, having yet the Gate-
ways, Triumphal Arch &c. &c erected
during the Roman Empire, reign of
Caesar Augustus, whose name is yet
perfectly distinct with other inscri-
-ptions, - at this place we had break-
-fast procured a carriage and set out
for the foot of the Alps Saint Bern
at which place we mounted mules
to ascend to St. Bernard, a trip of
two hours winding around the brink
of the majestic alps through snow
to this far-famed and hospitable
spot. amidst the clouds, snow &
ice; - a delightful spot and the
kind-hearted attentions of our
worthy Hosts. (five Monks) made

us most comfortable, after a merry
little fire-side chat with some Amer-
-ican gentlemen (whom we have met
for the first time) we turned in for
the night, - dreaming of rapid journeys
dancing chasms, snow banks &
glaciers, - awakened during the night by a
crash, being cold as an iceberg. - gather
-ed some beautiful blue violets among
the snow as a souvenir, very grateful
pulled some of the hair from one
of the dogs (St. Bernard) as he has
a penchant for dogs and especially
of this genus, -
Visited,
The Hospice was founded in 962 by -
Saint Bernard of Savoy, it is a large
stone building well adapted to its

positions situation which is on the very highest point of the pass where it is exposed to tremendous storms I might say, from every point, tho. somewhat protected on the N.W. by Mount Chemulkitaz and on the S.E. by Mount Mork, — The principal building will accommodate 70. or 80. travelers with beds 300 may be sheltered; and they told us that between 300 & 600 had received assistance in one day. — During our sojourn in this dwelling in the clouds, (8200 feet above the level of the Sea) we had restrained respiration, and Rheumatic pains. — The Monks seldom remain here longer than 15 years, — The Dogs last about 9.

6 Sunday, Clear and cold, having made a contract to be taken to Bastigny we set out in good time this morning to descend, we were soon up to our knees in Snow and making tracks for the Valley. before leaving our kind Hosts we visited the Chapel, contributed our mite, took a cup of Coffee, visited the Chambers of Napoleon, &c. - during our descent we had some fine scenery, at noon we arrived at a small Town called Orsières here had breakfast and something for the inside after which again, on the road, - an English gentleman whom we found travelling on foot with a lad to assist us take charge of the youngster

and give him passage to Buon Tigny
This we done with pleasure as the
boy was quite satisfied well behav-
ed and intelligent, we had a
delightful trip in a vehicle
they call a Char, passed several
villages, found the people healthy
looking, and well clad, also very
civil as they all saluted us elevating
their chapeaus with a grace and easiness
of manner that an Italian could not
acquire short of many (years) practice, the
road is immediately on the river—
Isaure which is crossed several times
during the descent, it culminates rapidly on
receiving many additions (which come
tumbling down the mountain side,

with a noise almost frightful) until
it becomes quite a river. - At 3 O'clock
arrived at Bas Tigny found a nice and
well provided Hotel, Lafsande Maison
a nice Chamber and a most delicious
dinner, during which we eat Chamois
goat for the first time, I think it better
than Venison with which it is often
compared, - strolled about the Village
saw some beautyful carving in wood
for which This town is celebrated.
Went and bright up at 5, procured
mules and a guide for Chamouny.
at 8. mounted and on route, climed
the mountain for 2 1/2 hours, our guide had
the very pleasant information to com-
municate that he had left our guide

book near the base of the mountain
or waited on the way-side, in full view
of Col. de Balure, until he descended & am
returned, - whilst sitting on a rock -
gazing in silent admiration at the
lofty snow-capped peaks of Col. de
Balure an ancient (80 years of age)
Bergen-de Chevre (goat-shepard) came
along and entered into a conversation
with me. he told me much of the
Chamois hunter, and pointed out
to me the haunts of these wary an
agile creatures, one soon took up the
line of march and had a fine view
of the valley of the Saint to which
we descended on foot. Thence thro the
forest which clothes the mountain
side of the Forclaz, the path occasion

skirting fearful precipices, about
2 o'clock. we reached the Hotel of the
Lake Noire, at which we took some
refreshments for man and beast, —
picked up a piece of beautiful rock
crystal which I will preserve as a souve-
-nir. — whilst here an English party arri
-ved they took us for Germans and a pol-
-itely of us, in our presence, so little
to our amusement, after taking a
squint at Lake Noir, or the Black-head
mountain, we mounted our mules for
Chamouny, on the road we had many
superb views, seeing Saturn in all
of her wild grandeur, at length we
descended to the Valley of Chamouny
and to our great admiration saw
the towering peaks of Mount-Blanc

passing above the clouds in all
of the majestic splendor and mag-
nificence that the Poet has sung
or the voyager has conceived.

arrived at 7. P. M. much fatigued
having traveled 24 miles on a mule
at the Hotel de Londré, at which we
stayed; we found a General Stewart
(from Baltimore) and a most cheer-
ful and estimable old gentleman
we have never met, he told us
many things of interest and gave us
some good advice, - after making ar-
-angements with a Guide for the mor-
-ow, and scratching down these few
notes we, turned in, for the night, -

8. rose at 5; weather cloudy and cold
we were soon mounted on mules and
commenced the ascent of Montanvert
the summit of which we reached in
two and a half hours, here a fine
view of the Valley of Chamouny and
the Mer de glace (the Sea of ice) to which
we descended and upon the surface of
which we promenaded; it is certain-
ly one of the most wonderful scenes in
all nature, as passed by masses, and
at the thousand pinacles that pierce
the clouds, was the Aiguille Verte -
towering to the skies, being 13.000 ft.
above the levels of the sea, and 7000 ft.
above the Montanvert, we remained
here about an hour, purchased an engraving
of the surrounding scene; and a nice cane as

a Souvenir; – we descended on foot, – at
11 p.m. o'clock. arrived safe and sound in-
-wind and limb, at the Hotel, after des-
-patching a good breakfast, of mutton
cutlets, milk and honey we were again
off – first to see the Cascades, which are
indeed beautiful, and then to the Glacier de
Bossons, at the foot of Mount Blanc –
across this we walked, leaping the crev-
-ices, roaring and yawning beneath,
with the assistance of my Alpine
Staff without which my situation
would often have been a very thing
but agreable, and even dangerous –
after having crossed the Glacier, and
whilst looking in silent admira-
tion at those lofty and truly magnif-
icent pinacles and turrets of solid ice –

a large stone, (perhaps of 300 pounds
weight), came way at the top and came
almost directly towards (us) with a truly
frightful rapidity and noise, when
(we)
within thirty feet of us, it burst into
many pieces and we fortunately escaped
unharmed.— our guide seemed much
frightened seeing as quickly he did the
imminent danger to which we were
exposed.— next to the Glacier du
Bois and the source of the river Arveron
the scenery around is very grand, the deep
& black rifts of the depths of the vault of
ice, the bright and beautiful azure
colour the light is transmitted thro,
the crevasses are admirable,— after this
to our Hotel, quite fatigued,— had my
canes and Alpine Staff wrapped in

paper, putting the Chamois horns
in my sack-, and then to dinner, night
Jumps at 7. a delightful morning
took the Diligence for Geneva, and
bade adieu to Mount Blanc, and
the Vale de Chamonix in all
probability, forever,- we traversed
a picturesque and romantic country
12. Oclock. brought us to the little
town Ballenches from which we
had a fine view of Mount Blanc
and the neighboring needles,- nothing
more worthy of spicial note, at 6
P.M. we were in Geneva, a nice
place and one of the principal Cities
of Switzerland. contains 40.000 people
and looks for all the world like a
French town, we took rooms at the

Hotel d, Ecu, a house high in favor
with the traveling community, met
an American Physician from Charleston
S. C. a pleasant gentleman, — on his way.
to Chamouni, St. Bernard &c. — . —
10. rained all of the morning, from our
window we had a fine view of the smooth
and tranquil lake of Geneva and the clear-
and blue Rhone rushing on with the
rapidity of an avalanche, about noon it
ceased to rain, after which we strolled
about the city, went to see the Belvy de
Monte Blanc, a panoramic view of the
mountains, villages and passes; made
of wood, it was the labor of a man for ten
years, and is a perfect representation, —
after dinner we took a carriage to make a
little tour about the environs of the City

returning by the border of the lake,
we found all this indeed pretty, whilst
driving out we saw Mounte Blanc and
many of the other white peaks of the
Alps. —

11. perfectly clear and warm; strolled
about the City, visited the Botanic Garden
— purchased a handsome ring &c. then
being nothing of special interest to
see in Geneva, we were rather at a loss
to know how to invest our time. —
wrote to Sallie, — in bed at an early
hour.

12. mild and nearly clear. up at
6 p.m. o'clock, packed our bags, paid a
good bill and quitted this delightful
Hotel, took the Steamer Helvetie for Ouchy, on the boat we

again met the Swiss gentleman
with whom we travelled in Italy -
whilst in Geneva we visited the
bronze Statue of J. J. Rousseau -
which is a beautiful monument
to his memory - also the Church in
which the great reformer John Calvin
preached and dictated to the Genevese
he lived here many years, and died in
1564 aged 83 years. - There is no monument
nett to tell when he was laid or to
eulogise his virtues, tho a little stone
marks the spot. with the simple
inscription of J. C. he served his God
and the country of his adoption as
well. - at 2 oclock we arrived at
Vevey, the Clarens so celebrated by
Byron, from here had a fine view

of the Chateau of Chillon where
Byron wrote his prisoner of Chillon
we took rooms at Monnets Hotel an
elegant house, and kept on the Amer
ican plan, at dinner I had a conver
sation with a charming young lady
who had made the passage with us
this morning up the lake, her native
language was entirely unknown
to me, I that, her a Pole, she spoke
French tolerably well, her mother al
so, — may we meet again, — after
dinner we looked about the town
went to the Church of St Martin, —
Gudlow the regicide and Broughton
who read the sentence of death to
Charles the 1st of England, are buried he
they died here in exile. — there are between

four and five thousand people here, - we -
stopped a short-time to-day at Lausan
-ne a beautiful little City situated at
the foot of mount Jorat - and immediately
upon the lake, contains about 17000
inhabitants, - here dwelt - the historian
Gibbon, - the venerable Bernard de
Menthon founder of the Hospice of
the great St. Bernard, was interred
here, - the Cathedral is a very fine &
extensive building, of the Gothic order
founded in 1000. - the interior is said
to be finer than any other Church
in Switzerland - it rained occasionally
during the day - at night we had a thunder
storm. - we found ten or twelve American lads
at a boarding school (Russion) in this town
(Vevay) - they are considered two mischievous -

13, nearly clear and rather cool, breakfast at 8. after which, en route for Berne for Diligence, much to my satisfaction found the young lady and mother with whom we had the pleasure of conversing yesterday, in the same Poste Chaise with us, - at 4. oclock P. M. arrived at Fribourg which is situated on a promontory formed by the windings of the Saane contains about 10.000 inhabitants. - we were here long enough to dine, tho. I proposed looking about the City to Dinner, - first to the Cathedral (Church of St. Nicholas) which contains the great Organ, the largest in the world and one of the finest in Europe, it has 64 stops, and 7800 pipes, several of them 32. feet long. it is magnificent

indeed.- next to the Suspension Bridge
the longest of a single curve in the world
being 921. feet in length, 180 feet in
height and 22. feet and 11 inches wide;
it is supported on 2 Cables of iron wire
each containing 1056. wires,- during the
passage of our Diligence with five horses
and 8 or 10 persons, a slight oscillation
only was perceptible,- the Engineer who
constructed it was a Frenchman by the name
of Chaley.- the bridge was completed in
1834.- across the same stream and a
few hundred yards above This is another
iron bridge which is 620 feet long
and 317 high- it was finished in 1840.
" the iron cables are attached to the solid
rock on each side, and the point of
suspension is higher on one side

than on the other, which gives it the
appearance of having a bridge, when -
seen from a distance, - we passed thro
a fine country in a high state of cultiva
-tion, with some handsome Cottages and
nice flower gardens, in which we -
saw the Roses of various colours growing
and blooming most luxuriantly, - at 8.
Oclock, we were in Berne, the Capital
of Switzerland, - we took apartments
at the Hôtel de Couronne, - mon, tomorrow
14. Cool and cloudy, procured a guide and set
out to see the things curious and interesting
Bern is built on a lofty sandstone promonto
ry, formed by the winding course of the river
Aar which nearly surrounds, it contains
about 28.000 souls, mostly protestants, -
Rills of water are carried thro the streets,

to purify them, being abundantly pro-
vided with Fountains, each surrounded
by some quaint sprig,- the favorite
device being the Bear, whence the name
of the town which signifies a bear
in all Germany,- This animal is a great
favorite with the Bernese; as for many
centuries living specimens of Bruin
have been maintained at the public
expense,- The connexion between the
town and this animal is the following
Tradition,- That on the day on which
Berchtold laid the foundation of
Bern a large bear was slain by him
upon its destined spot,- in visiting
the Museum, Rho, small is replete with
rare and interesting specimens, in the
Zoological department, there are stuffed

specimens of the Lynx of the alps and
the Steinbock, these animals are no longer
found in Europe, - the stuffed skin of
Barry one of the St. Bernard dogs is also
here, this faithful and sagacious anim-
al, our guide told us had saved the lives
of thirty or forty persons, and was finally
shot by a poor Buchsman nearly dead
of cold, whilst the dog was in the act
of licking the snow from his face. -
believing as he said, that Barry was
a wolf. - we also saw here the feathered
monarch of the alps, the Lämmergeyer
(Vultur of lambs), - the geology and
Mineralogy are very rich, - we visited
the Arsenal, the Cathedral, built by the
Catholics tho, now a Protestant Church
and called the Minster, it was finished in

1457— in front of this Church has been
erected in bronze a monumental Statue
of Rudolph. V. Erlichs the conqueror
at Lausen,— it is certainly one of the
most elegant and well finished Statues
in all Europe,— we had a most splendid
view of the Bernese Alps,— count-thro, the
publick Granary, &c.— the new Prison or
Penitentiary is a magnificent structure,
at dinner 3h Oclock— we had sum the
sights and made arrangements for leav
-ing to-morrow,— one of the most curious
things in this Town, is a Clock,— one min
-ute before the clock strikes, passes a cock
-en cock appears, crows twice, and flaps
his wings, and while a puppet strikes
the hours on a bell, a procession of bears
issue out, and passes in front of a

figure on a throne, who marks the hour
by gaping and lowering his sceptre,"—
we watched this unique and ingenious
contrivance,"—for several minutes and
"
kept gratifying (curosity) this not-idjid,
15. rose at 3 oclock. sain Tumbling in
to.scuits, a cup of coffee, a very large bill,
and then off for Diligence for Thun. a-
small tho. rather pretty town, situated
at the head of lake Thun. down which
we went to Interlachen, a most beauty-
ful Village, containing many nice
cotages and a number of elegantly ar-
anged and admirably constructed Hotels
at one of which, we left our Packs and
staff, and took another steam-boat
up lake Brienz. the scenery on
these lakes is most charming, with

mountains on both sides, towering
far above the clouds, and capped with
virgin snow. Upon which the Summer
sun has no perceptible influence.
The sides of many of these mountains
are clothed by the most luxuriant ever
green, larch, pine, cypress, and oak. amid
-st which, ever and anon the crafty
Chasseur de Chamoise, has raised his
humble hut, which often contains but
little else than the paraphernalia of the
chase, or the Mountaineer's traps, a few
hoes and a crust of bread. But a-
-contented mind is generally his share,
and this alone makes him rich in-
-deed. At 12. Oclock we arrived at the Pissback
near the lower end of the lake, when went
ashore to see the Pissback waterfalls one

of the prettiest in all Switzerland, it is a succession of Cascades leaping steps by steps from the tops of the mountain, many hundred feet, the water comes tumbling down thro, the midst of a rich forest of firs, and forming one of the most lovely scenes that I have witnessed. — we strolled about these romantic scenes for two hours, scribbled down these notes and were again in interlachen time enough for dinner, immediately in front of our Hotel and seen to good advantage, is the Jungfrau, the summit of which is 13.718. feet above the level of the Sea.. we walked about this neat little town saw many fancy and useful articles sculptured in wood, some of which I was anxious to buy, but had not a place for them, — it is quite a profession here,

16. up at six, still cloudy, tho an occasional gleam of sunshine, — quite unwell having been nearly wet yesterday, we took a carriage and two good horses and set out for Lauterbrunn, arrived at 9 oclock, had a fine view of a magnificent Cascade, took breakfast and mounted our horses and they mounted the mountain, immediately in front of the house at which we looked with all of the admiration of an amateur for one hour or more; saw many avalanches rushing down with almost unpassed velocity and the noise of many cannon purchased a souvenier of the Alps, a nice case or box containing many well pressed flowers, drank a glass of indifferent wine and then took up the line of march for Grindenwald, — on the mountain sides dwell many a rustic lad and lass who,

blowed the alpine Horne and sang the
sweet Swiss airs as we passed our
at the same time offering for our admir-
ation and purchase, bogues, specimens
of minerals, stones and many other
things. not the last conspicuous
among them was a pine bur; the idea
was so ridiculous, of trying to sell a
pine bur to a North Carolinian, that
I laughed immoderately whilst respect
fully declining the purchase; we found
much snow, over which we walked,
our guides, (two, one to each horse), mussily
singing which abstracted our minds cau
making difficult passages, - towards noon
the day became bright and we had a most
superb view of all of the lions and
peaks of the Jungfrau, - at 12 oclock we

even at the Village of Grindenwald, which
is 3230 feet above the sea-level, is situ-
ated between two glaciers and is almost
entirely surrounded by mountains the
summit of which nothing but the
agile Chamoise ever simmounts, — we here
here for the first time the Cuckoo bird, —
put up at the Hotel de l, ours, had dinner
took a little turn around town,, and then to
bed, an ugly night; cold and raining. —
17. still cool and rather cloudy, rose 6, a hasty
breakfast, and off. mounted on our faithful
and sure footed chargers, ascended slowly the
Scheidech in gaining the summit of which
visited the upper glacier of Grindenwald, saw
a large vault of ice, (magnificent indeed) —
the Wetterhorn, (Peak of tempests) over-hung
our way all of the morning, it is really awf-

-ully sublime, rising as it does, in
one vast precipice of alpine limestone
for thousands of feet, - from near its summ
-mit we saw tumble a tremendous ava
-lanch, assimulating, for all the world,
the loudest peals of thunder repeated
in rapid succession, - the rays and sun
shine of the alpine horn, and the jolly
little airs chanted by the peasant girls,
contributed no little to our pleasure;
eleven oclock brought us to the Hotel on
the summit of the Rhenish, here we
had a glass of wine a cigar &c. the view
was all that one could wish and far more
than we expected, during the descent we
encountered Rain, sleet, over and thro,
which we walked without difficulty -
ended we walked the greater part of the

way down (twelve miles) as we found it
unsafe to remain on horse, - at 2 o'clock
we had a good view, a perfect panorama,
of the lovely Vale of Bavlé in which
is Meyringen, our destiny for the day.
Before arriving at the village we visited
the celebrated Falls of Reichenbach, near which
saw a live Chamoise domesticated, a rare
occurrence, - on a rock above the tower are
the ruins of the Castle of Resti, „ which once
belonged to an ancient and noble family „
long since passed away; The women of this
Valley enjoy the reputation of being the
handsomest in Switzerland, we saw nothing
in the way of extraordinary personal charms;
we are delighted with the scenes of the last
two days, - quite fatigued; To-morrow
for Geneva via Brunig. -

18. rose at 6, a glass of milk, a piece of bread
and butter and then, out and gone, - cloudy and
disposed to rain; - passed Brunig about 8.
Oclock, (summit) - we descended very rapid
-ly, on foot, at Lungern, base of the Brun
-ig, we dismiss'd our horses, and took
a carriage thro, a fine valley, to Alp-
-nach - am - Stad, situated on a point
or bay of lake Lucern and at the foot
of the Pilatus mountain, the Church
is a handsome modern edifice with a
nice Tapering Spire, - here we had
dinner, - procured a boat with three
rowers, one of them a handsome -
peasant girl, and made for Lucern -
which we reached at 5 P. M. after two
and a half hours of hard work thro wind
and rain, put-up at the Hotel des Suisses,

19. still raining, nearly sick, very nervous
in the seven mustang, at 10. oclock it
ceased to rain and cleared up, walked about
the city, found nothing of interest, except
the Monument to the memory of the
Swiss Guards, who fell while defending
the Royal Family of France Augst. 10. 1792
It represents a Lion of colossal size wound
ed unto death, with a spear stiching
in his side, - The figure, hewn out of
the living sandstone rock, is 28 feet long
and 18 high, beneath it are carved the
names of the officers who fell in defend
ing the Tuileries in Augt & Septr 1792,,
it is a noble monument to these brave
souls, - it is considered one of the finest things
in Europe. The design is by Thorwaldsen
and sculptured by Ahorn of Constance, -

at 1 Oclock took the Steamboat for Meggés
a small town on the lake, here saw two
Chamoix; tho. in a pen, as wild as mars
Hares, - mounted on horse we commenced the
ascent of the Bisé, the summit of which
we reached at 5; amidst a heavy black
cloud and as cold as the rocks on Tomeo's
Hoary brow, - it soon came on to snow -
and hail and we suffered immoderately,
as the only room with a fire, had been appro-
priated to the uses and comforts of an Eng-
-lish party, whose hearts and manners
were as cold as the pelting tempest, hower
(with a stomach as empty as a beggars purse
and feet that would not have suppered in
comparison with the temperature of an
icicle,) we made out, to weather it until
dinner 8 Oclock P.M., Table d, hote, -

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(Sunday)

20. „ all hands knocked up „ this morning at 3½ Oclock, to see the sun come peeping over the Hills, the wind blew „ hard enough „ to start the horns of a „ Grimalmus Capricornus „ - and as cold as a misers charity, - a more glorious sight I never beheld, the distant alps. with their snow capped summits were perfectly clear, especially the Jungfrau and the Matterhorn, the Pass of St. Gothard we saw to good advantage, the Valleys below, and the eleven lakes, with the different towns gave us a panoramic view said to be unequaled by any in the world. we stroled about enjoying this lovely scene until 6. then breakfast, after which we commenced going down into the world a little, after a tramp of nine miles we gained the little town of Faussaöbes

passing the Chapel of William Tell, which
is built within a few yards of the place
where he shot Gesler, visited the little
Church, gathered a flower (a beautiful
pink) as a souvinier, and bade good-bye
to the country of this once staunch republi-
can, — the name of Tell is reverenced by
the Swiss, at Bussnacht we remained until
eleven Oclock, and then pr. Steamer for
Zug, a small Town on the lake of the same
name, Thence pr. Diligence for Horgen — on
lake Zurich, the scenery on this lake
is charming, tho. much flatter than most
of the other lakes, the scenery is equally
beautiful if not superior, every thing
is smiling and cheerful; the hill tops
are covered with forest, the slopes are
clad with vineyards, orchards & gardens

and carpetted with luxuriant waving
grain and verdant pasturage unto the
waters edge.- being dotted with white hou-
-ses, villas and cottages, and ever and anon
a tidy little village clusters around a-
-bunch with its tall and tapering
spire towering in the air.- the lake is
26 miles long and three broad.- the river
Linth falls into it and issues out at
Zurich under the name of Limmat it
is perfectly transparent and „runs„ very
rapidly.- we passed down this lovely lake
on a nice little Steamer which took us
into Zurich about 6. put up at the Hotel
Baur a large and handsome House and
„the first Hotel of the City„- we thot. the
Servants not so civil as they should be, could
attribute this (perhaps apparently) neglect

to nothing else than to our tattered and
scanty garments, knapsacks and alpa-
-Staff, all of which evidently bespoke
a more humble condition, than that
which we have the good fortune to enjoy
saw but little of the town, more to-morrow
21. warm and cloudy. up at 6. a good breakfast
past and then out to see the town, which
we found very nice and handsomely situa-
-ted, many of the houses (being built)
-en architectural style, the foregrounds
of the dwellings being elegantly ornamented
with tastefully arranged flower gardens,
bowers, and fountains, every thing bearing
the impress of industry and prosperity -
the inhabitants of the City and the sur-
-rounding Country are a great manufactu
-ring people, silk & cotton goods, we

saw several large Factories in appr-
iation,- these busy scenes and energetic
movements reminded one much of-
ane of our yankey towns,- Zurich has
a population of 15000 souls, nearly-
all protestants, it was here the Reforma-
tion first commenced, 1519,, under the
guidance and preaching of Ulric Zwi-
ngli,,- we had a delightful view of-
the Town, lake and distant Alps, from
the new Botanical Garden,- there are ma-
-ny promenades of the most agreable cha-
-racter, to that of Bâle (a part of the old
Ramparts) we repaired and saw a most
glorious sunset, the distant peaks of Alps
being delicately tinged with the golden
rays of the sinking Sun, whilst the
smooth and tranquil waters of Lake

Zurich replete with (their) delicate tints with a delicacy and beauty that would put the painter to blush and myself as well, for attempting a description, - - -

22. mild and cloudy up at 6. bottle of fried fish and a cup of milk, and then journied into the „interior„ of a Diligence for Neuhausen, we passed thro the best farming country that is in Switzerland, the people seemed industrious and all things looked prosperous, at 1. oclock P.M. we were in Neuhausen, here we had dinner and then off to see the celebrated falls of the Rhine, (Rhein-falls), - it being only three miles we took it afoot in company with a gentleman and his pretty and agreable wife, - they had been in America, - we approached this fas-

gained Cascade with all the curiosity
and expectation immaginable; but
we felt ourselves quite disappointed
as the visionary and extravagant
Scott, and the historian as well, have
lavishly bestowed praises and
descriptions that are far from
being justifiable.- the waterfall
and scenery is really very pretty
but will not compare at all with
Niagara,- we remained here about
two hours and then returned to the
town about which we strolled until
night,- there are about 8000 people
here, (a great many children, healthy
looking and handsome).- many of the
houses are of the ancient order of archi
tecture, having their fronts and proje

-ting oriel windows decorated with
carvings and Stucco-work, are some
one entirely covered (externally) with
fresco paintings,- near the City and
above (it.) is an old feudal Castle in
a good state of preservation, There
are some fine promenade grounds
in one of which is a pretty Monu-
-ment to the memory of the Historian
Johannes Müller
23. knocked up at 2 this morning
to take the Diligence for Basle or
Basel, a cup of bad coffee and good-
-bye to Schaffhausen - about 8 Oclock
we passed ~~xxxx~~ the frontier of Germ-
-any for the first time, our route
lay immediately upon the banks
of the Rhine, the country is in

a good state of cultivation
tho, the people seemed generally-
poor. the females all persue-
manual labor on the fames:- most
of them wear neither hat or bonnet, but
expose their golden tresses and fair cheeks
to the scorching rays of the sun, which
must certainly make great-inroads up-
on their personal charms,- if any they ever had
about 11 oclock. P.M., we arrived in Basel, here
escaped the Rhine passing out of Germany
(the Grand Duchy of Baden) again into
Switzerland, the larger and more hand-
some portion of the City lies in this
country, (Switz.)- took lodgings at the
"Three Kings," (Hotel des trois Rois).- first
to see the Cathedral which is an old
building founded in the eleventh cen-
tury,- constructed of red-sandstone
and is surmounted by two tall and
tapering Spires,- it is a protestant

church, contains a few paintings
of merrit, the building was under-
-going repairs internally, consequently
we saw it rather to a disadvantage-
after this to the „Porte of St. Paul„
and of the ancient gates of the City, this
we admired more for its unique and
ancient appearance than for its beauty
or fine architecture,- Basel is the
principle commercial City of Swit-
-zerland, contains 26000. people-
is celebrated for the manufactory of-
silk and satin ribbon many beau-
-tiful specimens of which we-
saw, there is an immense deal of-
wealth here.- next to call on the
American Consul Mr. Burchard-
who treated us very civilly indeed
gave us some information about
our rout, and kindly attended us to

the Monument of the battle of Saint Jagues, about a mile from the city and in the spot where the bloody conflict for Liberty commenced.— it commemorates scenes that are dear to the heart of every Briton.— near it is a Cassino,— (quite a fine building)— where the gay and fashionable of Basel resort during the summer evenings to take their ice-creams, sip their coffee, gossip and shake the light fantastic toe,— we heard some fine music and saw the giddy waltz and the merry quadrille danced a la Boreis— spent the evening very pleasantly in social chat— over a glass of beer,— that often of— my home, it being one year this evening since I quitted it,— ah!—

many a change has come over
the spirit of my dream in this
short-twelve month.- to-morrow
to Strasbourg- and then to Baden
Baden, the great-watering place-
to-morrow commence a new-
book. - 12. Oclock. P. M. to-bed
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