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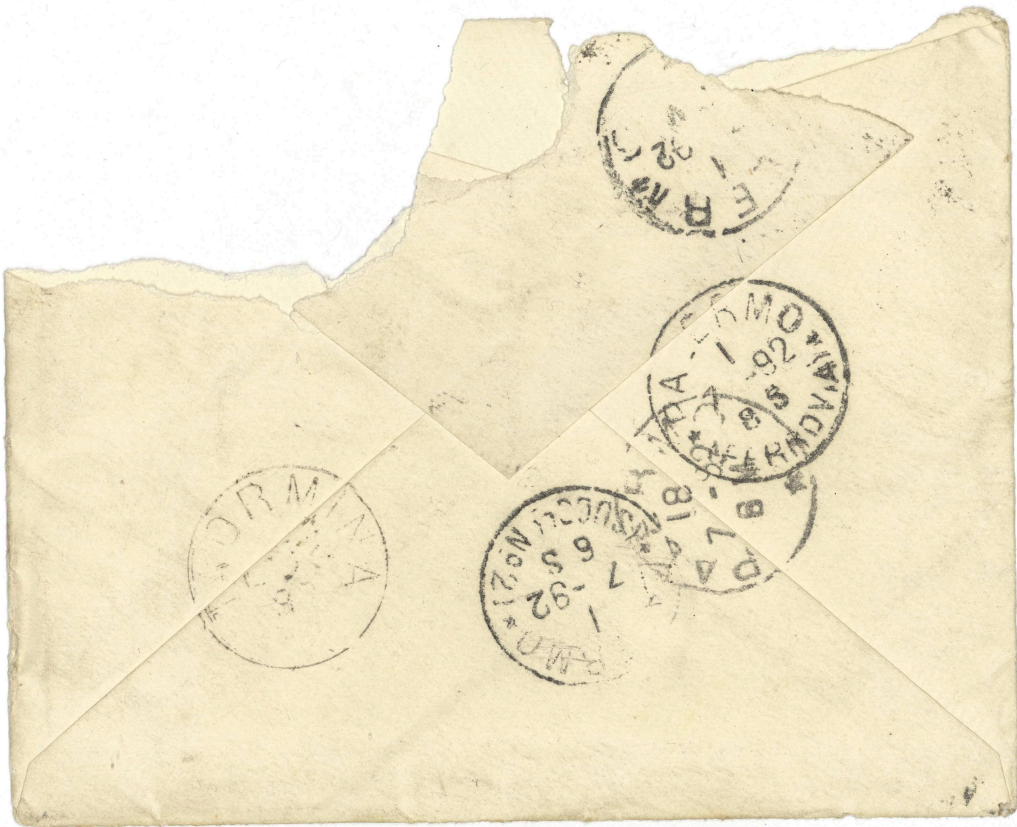
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Dearest Minnie

It was good to get your kind
letter on Thursday when I had almost
given up hope of getting one while Paris
while was still fresh & I did not have
waited until to-day to answer it
had I not been so miserable with
back ache In the past four days that
all my indoor time has been spent
on the sofa, except for 2 or 3 necessary
trips - how to defend myself - as it
happened - the weather was cool &
delightful & you it
instead of the 3 or
you expected to

ing more likely to be
in view of its recent

& it really did make me

② feel utterly prostrate & wretched in
Venice - Easy as light seeing is in
Venice & natural as the motion of a
pendula is, there were many days
here when I spent the greater part
of the day widowed & if the rooms had
not not been small & hot & the
noise from the rival music boats etc.,
had not been so great that it fairly
set one frantic, I should have much
preferred staying in the evening &
going to bed, and you know one
must be pretty tired to feel that

is in sunlight nights
me inside of the
each day hoping that

The next I will tell

of the course & the taking
course to the top of the Can

Verona you know is not far off

I have never seen it, but I was
tried to go, do. of Padua, wh. I

much wanted to see again - Chi
of course had to go to even

and the Park were too far - The
longest time I spent at the

was an hour a quarter & then I sat
down a good deal - So, what hope

did there seem of my being able to
go about with you in Paris & naturally

you couldn't have spent the days
in a hotel with me or in driving

about & with a few glimpses of
Rome & in the city I think

have the best - You

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Mr. but do you know it
ery last that I knew defi
n was going to travel &
in yr write that you might
sail direct for Gibraltar &
idea that you wd stay any
if yr did for than the 4 days
named as yr outside limit
as far as the time for the cure is
concerned I have gained just 2
weeks. In if I had gone to Paris
I wd not have got started here before
Friday at the earliest, (tho as it is,
was my 14th day) and on Sat. I was
taken sick. My unfortunate illness
got me well under the varied
five days ago when
the rest of my back
interacts again. I suppose

2nd letter recd Aug 19 yr - See
but then added yr wd wish
4 next mail, in that it was
I have had
Paris - yr also repeats the
outside limit for Paris -

because I was ^{2.} going

it has not been



Professor will be

att. & I hope by this time you

some opinion as to how long it will

be well for me to stay here. Of

course just now every thing is suspended

except massage in my foot & knee

my right & bandaging with in the

right, but this week I have had two

of the filiform douches (these feel

very much like the Paquetin cantery)

and four days of gymnastics in

addition to the premier balne, & the

cold douches & steam douches on

alternate days all more elaborate

so that practically the whole thing

was filled & on the filiform

douche days all an

att. as I have to go to

that -

Roman drum who
- come here - I hit
- says that he thought

(6) a course of hydrostatic treatment
might help me a great deal - This
man has a great reputation - Hydro-
patty is his mg specialty, & certainly
the place seems to me extremely
well organized - They have mild
dissipation in the shape of a play or
light opera fr. some company Wt
fr. the neighborhood - once a week,
from 7-9.30 P.M. and on Saturday
evening dancing fr. 8.30-10, but
I have not yet assisted - except
to prove Volby having much enjoyed
entertainments -
Wt, don't meet to tell me

what yr. new dresses
are satisfactory - The
house may sound as if

not very far off

I enclose some newspaper items

2 which of the closing exercises of

the B. M. S. in case yr. may not have

seen them, & are of the same

I hope Mary Bond & C. Mc Cormick

did well? are they going to Bay

Mass?

I was very much pleased about

Mr. May's election to the Hospital Board

It never once occurred to me that

he was yr. defeated candidate for

the University Board - There is still

a vacancy on the Hosp. Board

but of course not in the

Old Mr. Pratt's gift is

M. Souhel's great unknown!
— any rumors that
and please his future
Ne Metropolitan?

⑥ M. Johnson (of the Century Co.) asked
me about it. — Would it not be sad
in Baltimore?

How I wish I could have seen the Paris picture
with you — I must I think a little, but
Pissarro not at all so far as I remember.
Tell me about him a little.

Are you making any plans by New York
about the Chicago Exposition? It is
certainly going to be worth seeing? Do
you expect to come abroad in any next
year?

Mariechen has got very far away for.

So has she not? Let me
when she publishes
I may read it.

Monday 8 a.m.

13-9

Instead of going on
letter yesterday.

This morning I
set myself up to
pat.



So over in some supper & then subsided
again until the Dr. came - So add to my
wires in 5 or 6 days I have add to what
is rather nerve ache & in several nights
hardly slept at all, but it is gradually
going off now - It is p. a dead with such
can be done with - I have succeeded in
putting myself to sleep several times with
the life of St. Teresa wh. was most
disappointing reading - St. Francis &
St. Catherine I can quite understand
the influence of & their very great charm
what I have been able to get hold of
about them, but so far St. Teresa
impresses me as an intense &
ambitious, self absorbed & immensely
egotistical person of undoubted
power, but much in
the reform of her the
glory than in that of.

(10) - M. D. 8
was very great at the early
date at no means of
- being a thorough Jesuit

in that - & am going to read a little
more of her mystical theology & see whether
I am any more favourably impressed -
St. Catherine seems to have been most
absolutely sincere & humble & if she deceiv-
ed ^{was herself} she deceived more deceived
while St. Theresa seems a poseuse for
beginning to end & her professions of
humility do not harmonize with those of
her perfection - But the lives of the
saints do not interest you - and remember
if you ever happen to hear of any real
good that has been written about any
of these folks, to let me know about it -

do not want to read it

then Professor would be

morning aft., as I was
in yest. In this I see as
out of his office hours even

really needed him - & to-day he pres. to Vienna
I suppose I have no reason for discourag-
ment as you rarely feel the benefit
of one of these cures at first, but I must
confess this last week has been very disap-

pointing

Did you succeed in getting the Univ. of Illinois
people to appoint yr. Miss Sweet to the Prof.
professorship?

And, were you, did you find the publisher
for the Revue of Oct. 1894 with it?

You have never sent me the revised version
of yr speech - Is it not coming?

Later - viz. - after all, the Prof. came this aft.
after getting back fr. Vienna &
I find that it will take
that I might at the end
distance have reached the

It wd make a very great
re. that fr. my feeling

2 days it shows that

I say Jan - fr. the treatment, but the

subsequent return of much pain &c.

also shows that it will probably not be

altogether smooth sailing or rapid, but

that, if I will give him time, &c. &c.

He very strongly disapproves of the excite-

ment of Barreth & says the treatment

here shd be followed by rest - I am

going to see him again in a few days &

I am going to ask him if he thinks it

wd be a good plan, if by that time it

was demonstrated that it wd do me

decided good, to go here to New come

back here for a time - If however, you

are coming anywhere in this region after B.,

it wd be very much to my benefit & I shd

be sure to write me your plan,

and in the deep

night - Love & respect