



Kalkkuluhtobes

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Dearest Maudie,

Since writing my last

to Florence which I suppose will

hardly reach you sooner than this

I have received a piece of news

that I am sure you will agree with

me it is putting it very mildly

to call it startling that of my Aunt

Elizabeth's marriage to a certain

Dr. Edward H. White as she was

when in the year 1827 she is no

less than 65 years old. Not

according to the Morning Herald,


the match is at least suitable in

(2) point of years - The one Dr. White  
whom I have ~~seen~~ known of in  
Bath. was an elderly uncle of Mrs.  
Mrs. Carroll & Alice White, but whether it  
is the same I do not know - I think  
if I thought I should be likely to do  
so ~~at all~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ a thing at all,  
I should prefer to make my exit  
from the scene at once - I am  
very sure you cannot give me as  
sensation as a piece of news as this!  
The 27<sup>th</sup>, apparently about the  
best day on record here, was  
the happy day -

But to turn to a more pleasant  
subject, be sure to tell me in answering  
this whether you want me to engage  
quarters for you at the Miller's and

if so, whether one or two times. (3)  
I had arranged to go to Vienna Sat.  
aft. in that very essential thing, money,  
and it was just as well to wrap  
up the excitement from the miss-  
-mail in that way - While there I  
got my tickets to Fr. Louisville which  
really makes it seem more of a reality.  
I find the inf. day express goes at 8 A.M.,  
so that I must leave here on Sunday  
morning by the 6.15 train - I get in at 9.57  
that night so that I shall have plenty  
of time to get rested before you arrive  
in ~~Wednesday~~ <sup>Tuesday</sup>, and on Thursday I  
leave three hours later than you,  
at 6.24, getting to Vienna at 6.45 -  
The next morning here at 8.57 - Do you  
see the train with very well &  
I cannot believe that anything can

④ happen now to interfere - I wonder  
what you are going to do with your  
two off days? Bamberg would be  
well worth giving one to and  
delightful Kollnuburg, the most  
perfect little example of an un-  
spoiled medieval town - I do wish  
you could manage to see it & spend  
a night there in the Hirsch (I think),  
and have the big room I had looking  
from the city wall over the little  
valley - but I am afraid it takes  
too long to get to - Even after Mainz  
I think it wd repay <sup>your</sup> trouble -  
Bamberg we only made an excursion to  
St. Michael's & were most easy to have  
so little time for it - You see I am taking  
precautions that you do not mean to  
rest on those days - you are too insati-

able travelers In that - but I am  
afraid that you will get to I. very  
mid & be tired  all of those two  
days that will go so quickly - Please  
by not to be -

This afternoon I have seen Dr. W.  
and he was quite pleased with me  
and with my acct of myself &  
I have made one addition to the  
present treatment & no changes  
in it - hamiptean - douche

My Mer day again - In my knee &  
Jnt as the knee is decidedly harsh

Saturday 13<sup>m</sup> - Your little letter  
from Florence wh. came by the  
10 o'cl. instead of the usm  
mail has prevented your getting  
much more of a letter, for it  
necessitated spending all my  
spare time to be done in

⑥ diving to the depths of both of my  
my trunk, behind the things wh.  
were scattered - but I hope it will  
result in your using both my Passi-  
gal & my guide - They left  
by the first mail wh. I think was at  
3, so that I hope you will certainly  
get them in time - I sent you a  
line abt them (also to Munich)  
and telling you that I instinctively  
the fullest apology for my "evil  
imagination" abt Miss Andrus.  
I didn't & couldn't believe you wd  
do it & yet it seemed so fatally  
much the easiest & simplest  
thing for you to do & I have from  
so used to evil fate that the possi-  
bly made me most desperate  
blue - No, it didn't provide me  
for sentimental trash it was

I thought that that was the fault  
of the writer & not of the recipient  
and I was both amused & a little  
exultant that there should be  
something equal to or rather <sup>more</sup>  
more than equal to my Italian  
teachers. In the is English & they  
are continental — I have been  
meaning to tell you how amusing  
and yet waspish a thing it is to  
show in the occasion, but never mind  
unfair it was to compare Miss  
Lill to ~~my~~ <sup>them</sup> ~~state~~ In the just place  
she is an American girl, a lady &  
was your student as well as your  
secretary — my little Venetian woman  
was a small apothecary's daughter,  
very pushing & excessive in expression,  
wh. meant absolutely nothing to her —  
I have never tried to find out what

⑧ The every day words of acquaintance & being  
not friends, but acquaintances are?  
The French ones seem to be all in  
to them — Poor little Miss Beckman  
was different, she is distinctly middle  
class, but most ladylike & although  
she is I am sure a profound senti-  
mental little woman — she does not  
know what it is, but she was very kind  
and well wrought & I fancy that while  
most of her pupils were polite to  
her & some of them really fond of  
her, it was very much de haut en  
bas & she was not used to being  
treated as we would naturally  
treat any nice woman in her position.  
I am sorry to say I have not yet answer-  
ed the letter she wrote me after her  
father's death — —

Excuse the jump but I never remember  
it at the right minute I will tell you



now that as I came to the conclusion  
that the letter in wh. I signed Mary



Mr. De la Mill must be permanently  
lost. I have asked her again & suppose  
I shall have the answer & reply long.

As to the cheque for Miss Jackson,  
you were very obliging not to tell  
me how idiotic I was - I don't know  
where my nicks were, & wd. write about  
it at once if it were not that you may  
have arranged it with M. U. & Co. - but  
of course I can let you have it in 1.

I enclose a list of books some of wh.  
you may like & have & besides the Parsival  
that I mailed to Munich I am going to  
mail you my Sam. häuser like the  
the rest of your stuff for it is Tristan &  
Isolde - I cannot find the libretto.

Also a guide for my dear little  
K. Murbay on the Sauber, wh. I hope  
you may feel tempted to see - And  
Kegensbaur if you do not hunt it re

10 most emphatically wish seeing if you  
can manage it - I send the guide for  
it too - and I think I will send you  
the two little stories of the trapau,  
which have a most delightful flavor.  
The 'old fashioned toky' seems to me  
very perfect little thing - I read the  
first one yest. aft. as I took my constitu-  
tional in the garden after my back-  
sneezing & this aft. whether one made  
me completely just finished I was  
sure I had finished it.

I suppose I am wrong about the Faubine  
but except occasionally it seemed  
to me far less good than anything  
of his I had ever read - usually  
I feel the charm very strongly - I am going  
to read the japonisme d'automne - un-  
der. I do not know -

So you chose Florence or rather a whole  
day of it rather than Turin - I  
should I - Oh, I do not want to see Florence

and her pictures & her churches & her  
 hills & all the loveliness of it - I wonder  
 whether we can ever make a little  
 trip in Italy together - It does not  
 look very probable, does it?

I am so glad that the Sistine Chapel  
 seemed so great to you this time - I am  
 very apt to think of it & the Parthenon  
 things together and they are to me  
 the two greatest things that I have  
 ever seen & the two most satisfying.

Oh no I did not look out on your room  
 last winter - I was not  
 so well - Those apartments were  
 inhabited by the very grand Italian  
 princes & English & Americans who  
 were regardless of expense, while  
 I had a small & modest (although  
 I repeat to say also expensive) apartment  
 looking across the little Boside bit of

(12) The Barberini garden & the Palace & I  
saw them ruthlessly cut down half  
the trees <sup>plants</sup> to make an exercising  
hack to treat horses in view  
to my distress - that also had the  
advantage of being the quiet side of  
having the view of the sun -

But I must stop for this as  
I go to supper & you will not be  
a Sunday - I judge I shall go  
at Baireuth & at Nürnberg go  
to the Buerischerhof & by word  
the corner room that I had last  
year - It is a wretched room so  
that they will probably remember  
but mention my name - I think  
it was 19, but am not at all sure  
I shall not visit again - I shall  
inquire my price in Japan instead -  
Sincerely yours, Mary St.