

Mrs. Ann and Elizabeth
is staying at a small parcell

addressed to you which please
send for to Paul Street when
you hear of her arrival. I think
she sails this week or next.

When you see the gray we got
for your dress (in parcel sent
by Mr. Robertson) if you do not
like it leave it for me & I
will get you something else.

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After all we did not leave
England as soon as we had planned
& only came over here last Friday -
So we saw Harbinger which was a
pleasure to us & I hope to him. The
reason that we stayed longer was that
Papa had a nasty cold & we wanted
him to get well before we started. He is
now nearly well & we no longer think it
necessary to look after him. When
we crossed the channel it was a charming
day & quite smooth so that we were most
comfortable & did not so much as think
of being ill. We got to Paris about 9 in
the evening & have got very comfortable rooms

here. But we find this hotel a little far off from most places. On Saturday it was raining & so we took a bus & went to the Louvre, principally anxious to see the Egyptian things. But we got into the Assyrian part & then into the part filled with drawings & then into the picture galleries & so spent all our time looking at these. We then found our way to a cafe & had lunch & after this we drove to the Madeleine (which is quite near this hotel) & stayed there for some time.

Sunday was a wet day too so we only went once to church & spent a little time in walking along the covered arcades. While thus engaged we met Mr. Thorpe - do you remember him? He came to some of the literaries & read at our house an essay which treated principally of the difference between English & Canadian boys. He is a small man with a small voice - I could not remember his name for a long time &

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Mother too was quite ignorant of it. He called
the next evening & sat some time. He is
studying french here. On Monday it rained
again & we became for the time being
regular American tourists. took a cab &
drove about the place spending about
5 minutes in each church &c. We saw a
great deal this way but it was rather
confusing still it quite enabled me to mark
the nicest things to visit again. We went
to the Place de la Bastille, the Pantheon,
Notre Dame, Saint Chapelle, Cours des Jonas
jardins des Plantes, Napoléon & tomb
& the Arc de Triomphe. Then we shut
away the "voiture" & had our regular
lunch of coffee & rolls & afterwards
went to call upon Mr. & Mrs. Warrington Moffatt.
Mr. M. looks much better than when he
left Montreal. Much stouter but he has not
much colour. Mrs. M. is very tall & well
proportioned & has quite a distinguished air

& looks like a person of decisive mind. She has quite dark hair & a dark complexion but not a very clear one. I should think that she was a very pleasant person to live with. They intend to spend the winter in Cannes & start next week. Warriford says that the doctors say he must not return to Canada for at least two winters.

We have not gone anywhere after dark for fear of Papa's taking more cold & besides we are generally rather tired before night. Moreover there is no where to go to but to the theatres or operas & that of course is outside of our programme. You see it is too cold now for sitting on the streets or in the gardens. Today we started at 10.30 for St Germain where there is a museum which had great attractions for Papa. So we spent all the morning looking at flint arrow heads & gallic-roman remains & I found it rather hard to "lutherise" much. After our return we drove to the Panamora & then

walked round the Palais Royal & Mother & I
 came to the conclusion that we most decidedly
 preferred the modern productions - But I feel
 sure that this is a most wearisome spirit
 for I feel rather tired & decidedly stupid.
 But we are on the whole taking things easy &
 never breakfast before 9 o'clock & sometimes
 later - Paris certainly is a charming place
 & it is most amusing to watch how excitedly
 the Parisians run about the streets & talk
 more with their hands than tongues - They
 certainly are more nearly connected with
 the monkey than the English people.
 Mother says she always expects that a
 rebellion will occur, or rather is beginning
 if she sees anyone running very fast or
 shouting for whatever we look at has some
 tragic tale of blood connected with it
 & the people look so very like those described
 by Dickens & Victor Hugo - We have as yet made

no purchases have not even been inside
a shop for Papa like all men abhors such
a "waste of time" & he also still firmly believes
that he wd lose us for ever if we were to
start on an expedition alone in this foreign
land. In London we went about often
without him but here he seems to think
it more risky. However we do not want
to make many purchases here for it wd
involve our carrying them all the way to
Egypt & back & Brussels is quite as good a place
for gloves & shoes & little rich necks.

Karoline has taken up his quarters with
Louise Campbell & W. Cameron (the tall
sandy-haired medical student) at 5 & 2
Lorrington Square.

but I must close now as I have come
nearly to the end of my paper & am also
very sleepy to-night. Please give my love to
Florence & to W. Carpenter, to Bernard & the children
& kindest regards to all inquiring friends &
Believe me your loving sister, Wm.