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The Coleman.

STRICTLY FIRST-CLASS HOTEL.

(EUROPEAN PLAN.)

BROADWAY AND 27TH STREET.

OCEAN HOUSE, LONG BRANCH, N. J.

H. H. PEARSON,

LATE OF THE BALDWIN,
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

New York, June 7, 1893

My dear Wanda, I think I wrote
to Helen last & so now it must
be your turn. I'm disappointed
not getting any letters, here except
the ones sent to Portage &
forwarded, & one I think from
Mama. Tell Mama she need
not be afraid of letters addressed
Op of the Century, for if I'm
in Europe when they get here
Mr Johnson will forward them.
It has been very hot here & I
felt all the time as if somebody
had rubbed the inside of my under-
clothes with very sticky moldases.
The papers said that the day before
yesterday was the hottest 5th of June

ever known in New York.
 Yesterday was also very horribly
 hot, but I did not feel it much
 for Mr Johnson took me up
 the Hudson river to one of
 the beautiful residences. Mr
 Osborns, in the Hudson
 Highlands, where we dined
 & drank cool water & champagne
 & drove about the leafy woods
 & gathered purple lady slippers
 & trailing arbutus & sailed on
 the charming river. Mr Johnson
 has kept me winning & dining &
 seeing people at the clubs
 so I have not been able to
 write much. This afternoon
 he is going to take me to
 Boston & Cambridge to see
 Sargent & the University people
 to talk about the forests. This
 trip will take two days.

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New York, 189

Tell mama that the Century people
 are going to print my first book
 instead of the Appletons. I promise
 to make a better portrait of me
 as they themselves say that the
 the one in the Magazine was
 not good, not half handsome
 enough.
 Mr Keith has been in a jussy
 hurry ever since we started
 & left for Glasgow nearly
 a week ago & I fear I will
 not see much of him.
 I think I will not get away
 from here for a week
 or more yet. But I feel
 well, & will take so many

letters to people in Europe
that I may not miss Keith
so much.

Everybody I meet here tries to
make me feel at home
& seems determined to keep me
talking about the mountains
& woods & glaciers I have
seen & loved & studied so
long. I think I am getting
a little fatter eating so much
new stuff the names of which
I don't know. Tell mama
that I heard somebody say
yesterday that strawberries are
bad for rheumatism.

I hope you are all well & that
you take good care of little
darling Helen. I showed Mrs Osborne
your pictures yesterday, the lady who
entertained us in the Highlands at
"Castle Craig" & she said you both looked
like poets. Love to all John Muir