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The voyage ended.
 Through the century
 people I found Seton Karr
 who, as you will remember
 tried to climb St Elias with
 Schrenkka. He was on his
 way home from Africa
 where he has been hunting
 lions. The century will have
 one of his hunts.
 Also the Paris artist &
 sculptor who designed the
 grand fountain in the
 Chicago fair grounds.
 The weather even on the ocean
 has been sultry most of the
 way. Here it is pleasant
 but rather warm in the
 sun.

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NORTH WESTERN HOTEL,

LIVERPOOL.

July 2, 1893

Dear Louie, I arrived here
 this forenoon. The Eturia
 dropped anchor in the river
 late last night - too late
 to go ashore. I see no
 chance of finding Keith
 without wasting too much
 time, & I think I had better
 go my own way & see as
 much & learn as much as
 I can instead of chasing
 him all summer from place

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NORTH WESTERN HOTEL,

LIVERPOOL.

I am sorry I have to
 send so dull a letter
 to you. But since
 leaving New York there
 is nothing but this sea
 voyage to write about &
 life on even these great
 ship-hotels is very dull &
 poisonous. The sea itself
 is a grand subject but too
 big for a letter. This then
 is only to say that I am
 here & well & that I

to fall. though I shall
feel desperately lonesome
at times.

I am going to take the
train tomorrow morning
for Edinburgh, stay there
a day or two & then go to
my old home & birthplace
Dunbar. How long I shall
be there I don't know & when
I shall go from there,
whether to the Highlands
or to Norway & Switzerland
I shall be guided by
what I learn of the weather
etc.

The trip across the Atlantic
though short was rather
trying. The machinery moved

by 3000 horsepower made
a great deal of jerky motion
in the bed & I did not
sleep well. The air also was
bad since the port holes
had to be kept closed on
account of rough weather
& the tremendous speed & force
with which the ship was
driven through the waves

I reached the hotel at 10 A.M.
washed my feet & went to
bed. Had a few hours sleep,
a good lunch & now feel
much better.

I made a few pleasant
acquaintances on the ship
but was just beginning
to be known when

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fondly hope you are
all well & free from care
on my account.

Martinez seems very far
now that the breadth of
the sea is added to that
of the continent, soon
thank heaven I'll be making
it less.

I saw traces of general
glaciation on the coast
of Ireland & England which
greatly interested me as I sailed
past.

I'll write Wanda & Helen
I'll write to them soon
when my dull notes are cleared
& I see some fine things to say.
With love to all ever yours John Muir