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[27]  
but hardly hoped  
to see, I should I  
see no more of  
Australia & the  
sky about the  
Southern Cross, I  
would be repaid  
for my long journey  
many times over.  
The ground ~~is~~ all  
mossy & ferny, & the  
forest is 3 stories  
high, 1st one of lily  
tree ferns, 2nd one of  
beech, sassafras,  
acacia etc & the  
3rd of gigantic  
Eucalyptus covering  
hill & dale far  
& near. Never  
imagined a

P.S. Smith  
147 W. 5th St.  
+ in the  
5th St. The  
by  
ORDENSSNER LOYD  
BREMEN

[1] Melbourne  
Australia  
DAMPFER, BARBAROSSA  
Dec. 28, 1903.

Dear Louie

we arrived here  
the eve. of the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
spent the 24<sup>th</sup> in the  
Botanical & Zoological  
gardens & the 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>  
out in the heart of the  
wild Eucalyptus woods  
60 or 70 miles from  
here. I had a glorious  
time. The woods here  
abouts - are said to  
be the best in the  
country - a govern-  
ment reservation  
an ideal Austral-  
ian forest such  
as I have dreamed  
of for many years

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My first could be  
 so beautiful, a place  
 after my own heart  
 In an hour or two  
 we sail for Sydney  
 where I shall leave  
 this fine ship which  
 has been my home  
 for more than a  
 month. After some

days on the Blue Mountains  
 back of Sydney I mean  
 to go to New Zealand  
 where I ought to see  
 now I am here, tho  
 I ought to be at home  
 then up to Java by  
 New Guinea to Japan  
 & then straight for S. F.  
 I long awfully to see you  
 Love to all affection  
 Ever your  
 friend