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With love to Grandmother  
I am  
Yours  
Johnnie



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HÔTEL MÉTROPOLE,

LONDON, August 8 1893  
W.C.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,  
"METROPOLE", LONDON.  
TELEPHONE NO 3203.

Dear Louie

Wanda has so often mentioned some trouble about your eyes & Grandmas that I feel distressed about it. At first I thought it was only some cold but the cause seems to be in something more serious since it lasts so long. Do try to take better care of your health. Above all don't worry about things. I feel lonesome when ever I set out on a new journey like this one to London or Switzerland but I soon gain my friends & feel better as soon as I'm at the grave

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I can talk to people. Even  
after riding only an hour or  
two in a car. The people I have  
spoken to shake hands with  
me at parting saying I'm glad  
sir I have met you I'm truly  
obliged to you for your inform-  
~~ation~~ <sup>ation</sup> & I wish you a safe  
& happy journey. On the trip of  
twelve days to Norway almost  
everybody on the ship thanked  
me for what I told them about  
the scenery - the shaping of the  
mountains etc. & there was a  
grand hearty-shaking of hands  
& inclinations to their homes  
when we were parting.

Although the Scotch & English  
are so reserved & slow to make

new friends I do believe I  
could spend all the balance  
of my life in visits at the  
homes of these same conservative  
people.

I learned much in my own  
special studies in Norway  
It was all like a language  
that with painstaking industry  
I had learned elsewhere. This  
alone was well worth the  
time & cost of the summer  
trip. The trips in Scotland  
were also telling in a glacial  
way & I find myself able  
to get hold of the general main  
facts in the history of all the  
lands I have seen in a very  
short time.

The trip to the English Lake District

was perfectly delightful in every way. Such lovely glacier lakes - the shores curving in & out fringed with charming woods green islands here & there & mountains & hills all green & bosky all around. flowers from lilies to heather in glorious abundance & beautiful cottages & mansions all steeped in fine associations. The hotels even are picturesque & charming & I never before saw a place where I was so anxious to have you with me to enjoy it. Truly after spending so much of your life worried with drought & weeds & hired men you should get one good look at the world & the best it can show. This I look forward to when the babies grow big. Here are some leaves I picked for you from the branches leaning over Wordsworth