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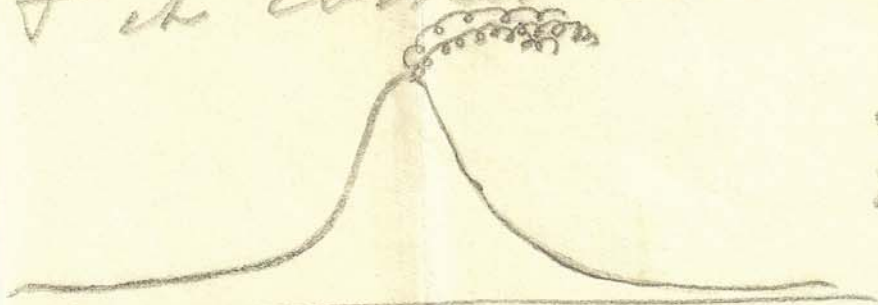
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Alaska, July 8. 1899

My dear Wanda + Helen + mamma.

We arrived here this cloudy rainy foggy morning after a glorious sail from Sand Harbor on Unge Island, one of the Shumagin Group. All the way along the volcano-dotted coast of the Alaska Peninsula + Unimak Island. The volcanoes are about as thick as leaves on our alfalfa field in a wet year. + the highest of them are smoking + steaming in grand style. Shusaldin is the handsomest volcanic cone I ever saw + it looked like this last evening



about 9000 ft to  
snow free on its slopes  
but + bare at the top

I'll show you a better sketch in my notebook when I get home. A few miles from Shusaldin

There is a wild rugged old giant of  
a volcano that blew or burst its  
own head off a few years ago &  
covered the sea with ashes & cinders  
& killed fish & caused a tidal wave  
that lashed the shores of San Francisco  
& even Martiney.

There is a ship, the Loredo that is  
to sail in an hour. So I'm in a  
hurry as usual. We are going  
the Seal Islands & St. Lawrence Isd  
from here & a point or two on  
the Siberian Coast. This time  
we are taking on coal & will leave  
in three or four hrs. I hope  
fondly that you are all well  
Give my love to Maffie. I hope  
Maggie baby is well. I'll soon be  
be back my darlings, God bless you  
Love  
Lodge -