

Rome Italy May 15, 1910

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I must write a few lines to you before we leave for Jerusalem. We are as well as usual, and we got our ticket for the holy Land, and leave tomorrow noon, but it is a full hard for us to leave, for we did not hear anything from home since we left New York. We can not understand why this is, I had dispatched our address of Rome to you from New York the day before we left, but we are still in hopes to hear from home before we have to leave. We first got to Assisi then to Loretta, and then to Brindisi, which is located on the south eastern corner of Italy, and from there we go to Alexandria and Cairo Egypt then to the holy Land, and coming back we came true Constantinople and as far as Vienna that is as far as our ticket goes. But be sure and write to Luxemburg as soon as you get this letter so we are sure to have our mail when we get there. It will be about 6 weeks before we get to Luxemburg. I hope it was not so cold in Idaho as it was in the middle States. We hear that everything is ruined in the middle and eastern states by snow and cold weather.

But dear Children and especially you Boys, don't be so foolish and spend your money foolishly, but work and save your money so you may sometime have the blessing that we have now, for we have seen the most beautiful, wonderful, and holy places. A person had no idea ought there what there is to be seen in this world. Our next address is Jean Meyer Decker Dickirch gr. Duche de Luxemburg. The weather is cool here now and it has rained a good deal here, and it is a little cloudy most all the time, but they have new vegetables here of all kinds, and also new potatoes, and ripe strawberries, oranges and lemons hanging on the trees everywhere. Coming from Naples to Rome we saw barley and wheat headed out, and see people making hay. Some of this country is very rich and beautiful, but words can not express what there is to be seen here in Rome.

Well we must talk it for granted that everything is alright at home since we did not hear anything of you. Anyhow you Barney I hope you get along alright with your work and Christina if the work gets

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Well dear Children I must close for this time, and you can sent this letter to Pet & Albert so I dont have to write so much for we dont get much time.

So Dear Peter & Albert we hope you ar well, and still at your old places and save your nickles, dont forget your prayers, and Parents. I wish you all the plessing to see this wonderfull world, as we ar doing now.

You all have their best  
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