

Travel Diary
(transcribed)

Inside Front Cover	<p>New York wrote to Mrs. Singleton from the Persia/Steamer to Miss Martin from London to Mrs. Singleton from Paris to Miss Taylor from Berlin to Mrs. Singleton from Dresden to Mrs. Rawlins Lowndes from Venice to Miss Salie Lowndes from Milan to Mrs. Singleton from Rome to Mrs. Kinloch - Mrs. Joseph Aiken - Col. I'on - Mrs. Singleton - Mr. Marchand - Mrs. Izard - Mr. Cottenham - Miss Taylor - Mrs. William Lowndes -</p>
Page 1	<p>Charleston 1857</p> <p>Left home Saturday August 15th in Steamer Marion for New York - Capt. Foster very civil - gave me use of his room and presented Mr. A. with a [wide awake]. Arrived early Tuesday morning. Marie and Mrs. Cottered came in to see us from their [Country Seat Nuis] - also my brothers Rawlins and William came to the city to see us. Wednesday 19th embarked in English Steamer Persia for Liverpool - our only acquaintances among the passengers were Mr. and Mrs. Weston and Mrs. Peabody.</p>
Page 2	<p>Arrived in Liverpool Saturday 29th - Breakfasted and went on to Manchester to attend the Art Nuivu [Nouveau] Exhibition - put up at the Queen's Motel - found Mr. A. State room companion Mrs. Mills at same Motel - Had glimpse of Mr. Wart Knight of the banquet. Spent four days at M. [motel] and Thursday 3rd September took the rail road to London and stopped at Fenton's, Saint James Street - staid (stayed) only one day - had a visit from Mr. Dallas our Minister - his family at the Isle of Wight - Saturday 5th</p>
Page 3	<p>(con't.) went to Brighton - suffering very much with [neuralgia] - spent Sunday - Monday 7th drove to New Haven and took Steamer for Dieppe - a sea bathing place - very comfortable at the Motel and amused in seeing the Country people - Tuesday 8th took the Rail for Paris - drove up to Hotel du Louvre with a ridiculous quantity of trunks - distributed in three carriages - Hotel very magnificent and comfortable also - spent ten days -</p>

	<p>disappointed in not getting a French maid - saw Mr. Mason our minister and many acquaintances - Saturday 19th Sept. for Cologne where we spent Sunday</p>
Page 4	<p>Monday 20th arrived in Berlin. Tuesday morning visited Tier Garden - very pretty spent one hour in the theater - treated by Mr. Butler to buns and coffee. Spent seven days visiting Palaces and Public Buildings - saw Mr. Wright our Minister - had the honor to make the acquaintance of Count Datzfeldt and Mr. de Satuers - B. Tuesday 28th left for Leipzig - lodged at Hotel de Pologue an immense and curious building - a band of music playing in the evening for the guests of the Restaurant - Oct. Thursday 29th arrived at Dresden and put up at Hotel Bellevue - in the gallery of</p>
Page 5	<p>Paintings met Mr. and Mrs. Izard - put up Hotel Bellevue - and a Mrs. Hampton and Mr. and Mrs. Preston - invited to tea by Mrs. Stockton and [I was] too unwell to go. Oct. Thursday 8th left for Prague. Mr. Butler [invites] himself to be of our party - in the rail carriage met a very charming little lady all alone , who turned out to be by [Countess Merian nee Statzfeldt ???? Basesin] of Mrs. B.'s friend Count Paul. - Found Prague a very envious and interesting place and spent one day very pleasantly - in the evening had the misfortune to loose Murray - probably stolen by one of the waiters - this so put us out as to occasion a bad [cut off sentence?!]</p>
Page 6	<p>On Saturday 10th started the next morning - took leave of our B. at the station and off for Bidsinia - Had not as usual a carriage to ourselves but instead a most disagreeable and vulgar woman whose harsh tones swept from our ears the pleasing sounds which our little Countess had convinced us could be given by the German language. Arrived between 8 and 9 o'clock Custom House Officers very polite omitting to search our trunks - astonished and amused at having our hands affectionately kissed by Porters, Valets and Maids on arri-</p>
Page 7	<p>-ving at the Hotel de L'Imperatrice Elisabeth where we put up - Sunday raining all day -</p>

	Monday still too bad to go out - Vienna takes its name from the river Wein a fowl - is situated about 2 miles from the main stream of the Danube [River] - is the Capital of the Austrian dominions and the residence of the young Emperor Francis Joseph and his pretty Empress - invited to dine by Mr. Jackson our Minister - saw a beautiful Ballet and Opera (Prophete) the building very dark - spent ten days visiting churches and galleries Imperial Jewel Office magnificent. In the Bergplatz is to be placed an equestrian Statue of the Arch Duke Charles / the vanquisher.
Page 8	Monday 20 th took the Rail way to Trieste - the most important Sea Port (free) of the Austrian Dominions - on the Adriatic Sea arrived at 12 at night - next day drove about - Cathedral of San Giusto on the hill near the Castle - built with fragments of old Roman buildings in the 5 th century and
Page 9	its tower said to stand on the foundation of a Temple of Jupiter - the Corso, principal [principle] thoroughfare bet. old and new Town. Wednesday night went on board steamer for Venice - had a very stormy bad passage - arrived at 3pm on Thursday 23 rd October. Venice spent a week sightseeing always in a gondola - churches very beautiful and rich in paintings. Convent of Armenians celebrated by Lord Byron - went to the English service on Sunday of which we (Verona) could not hear a word - met the Fish family at the [table d'hote] - Saturday 2 nd Nov. took railway (Sunday) Juliets Tomb - Monday visited Mantua - saw new troops drilling - returned -
Page 10	V. famous for spinach - Tuesd. 2 nd November took rail way from Verona to Milan where we arrived about 4 o'clock. Spent a week - visited Lake Como (Sunday) Cathedral, churches - Galleries - amphitheater - Arco della Rosa - close to the Cathedral the Palazzo della Imperiale e Nelle Corte, which Palace received the Emperor when he visits the Lombard capital. On Monday 8 th we resume the journey to

	Florence in Vaturino 1 st evening to Lodi - rather rough but tolerably comfortable lodgings. 9 th second night to Piacentia very comfortably lodged had chambers attended by men instead of women. Borgo San Domino -
Page 11	had a wretched dinner with Mr. A. was taken for Courier. 10 th third night to Parma - staid [stayed] at Albergo della Posta - Cathedral Battisterio the most splendid in Italy - Convent - Correggio's Paintings Friday 12 Modena a most wretched place - arrived quite unwell - hives - The Lavenne washes its walls - Most beautiful picture gallery / Churches. Saturday 13 th Bologna / staid [stayed] at the San Marco / - the second Appen. Monday Nov. 1 st Pianora. Tuesday 2 nd [Caffeggialo]
Page 12	Wednesday 18 Florence - took lodgings at Hotel d'Italie - the master and servant remarkably civil - the appearance of the City on interin just as the Sun was beginning to decline was beautiful - on first visiting the piscine was agreeably surprised at being accosted by Mr. Eior - his wife and Mother in law. Miss Derby, his sister Mrs. [M?????] and Mr. M all nicely established and keeping house together - spent an evening with Mr. and Mrs. Curger (Illegible note in parenthesis) Made acquaintance with Mrs. George Jones (of New Port) saw Mrs. Bruen L. Perkins our fellow passengers in the Persia
Page 13	Ordered a statue from Powers and one from Bought a Mosaic Table - saw Mr. and Mrs. Kershaw and Miss Matthews and son - Etta took Italian lessons - Spent about six weeks and made arrangements to post to Rome - our romantique de place an amazing resemblance to Kitt - also bought some pictures
Page 14	Rome Dec. Tuesday 22 nd . Hotel del'Europe - very nice persons in the house. Fish - abator de Bhame - Mr. Cass still Minister - The Church services for the English excellent. Went to a Subscription Ball for Charitable purposes in the Hotel Brash's - did not think it very handsome and found the manners of entering without any shawl worn not pleasant - In the same Hotel Mrs. Cass

	had a reception which we attended and found very stupid [made to Mrs. Cate and Tivoli] - were two months in Rome.
Page 15	Thursday Feb. 25 th left for Naples (Posting) postillions very annoying and conductor of no use - at St. Louis in walking past the Prison, had a little boy thrust at us for alms, did not find the Pontine Marshes so desolate as I expected. Mola di Gaeta very beautiful, but beggars a serious annoyance - arrived on Saturday at 5 o'clock and took lodgings at Albergo Vittoria - constantly bad weather making it very difficult for excursions - the first three days spent at Minceaoronice - for Pompeii had a pretty a good day - dined at the Inn and drank
Page 16	lackrinacristi - only tolerable, for Vesuvius the first part of the day good, but afterwards clouded over and at the time of ascending the cone very dark and bad from the quantity of smoke. Part of the excursion to Baiae very beautiful but too many objects crowded together making it a great fatigue - the Temple of Jupiter Terepis under water is very curious - the sun shone out at pazzuoli making the bay very beautiful - in the temple of Mercury the People insisted upon dancing the Tarantella, but they were so dirty and disagreeable
Page 17	That the effect was anything but pleasant - in the temple the Echo was very curious - the Piscina Mirabilis is a grand and beautiful work - were much disappointed after our hard work to find nothing fit to eat at the Inn and so dirty. The grotto of Posillips, above which is Virgil's Tomb - the grotto Del Cono - the sulphur [sulfur] baths - the Solpatara and Monte Huovo - on Tuesday 16 th left Naples for three days - the excursion to Sorrento, most beautiful, but the wind at night fearful and disturbing - the Trinita della Cava built among the most picturesque rocky expanse Castellare
Page 18	shown us by a very nice old Priest, who felt great in seeing Moranas Painting and frescoes. Wednesday night we spent at Hotel del Sole where the people were civil and the

	Bay was beautiful as the sun declined - being very much fatigued we did not linger on the beach and sleeping in a house propped up with timbers on account of the recent earthquake was not pleasant - Thursday Mrg. At 6 o'clock we set off for Pestum
Page 19	this excursion we found very fatiguing - the sun was intensely hot and the road being entirely without shade made it very overpowering and I did not think the sight of the ruins paid for what endured - Met at Naples Mr. and Mrs. McEnzie Parker just returned from Egypt - After spending three or four weeks returned to Rome for the grand Ceremonies of the Holy Week - Palm Sunday at Saint Peters, not much impressed after having seen much the same thing at Xmas - Thursday attempted to see the Lavonda horribly squeezed and saw nothing
Page 20	but met some nice English people and Etta was pleased at finding that she the polite advances of some Italian ladies - On Wednesday attempted to hear the Miserare but was unwell and obliged to leave the Church - Etta heard and liked it very much - Thursday had tickets for the Sistine Chapel, but was afraid to undertake the crowd so determined to hear the Miserare at Saint Peter's - (but it was not so good as it had been on Wednesday) Saw the exhibition of the relics and the washing of the Altar. After the Mass and Miserare all the priests and Cardinals received
Page 21	Mass for this purpose - judging from their demeanor they were not themselves much impressed with the solemnity of the act they were about to perform. Good Friday - went to the English Service and heard as usual an excellent Sermon. In the evening went to San Marcello in the Corso to hear the Stabat Mater - suffered greatly in the cause but not much rewarded - Saturday night Etta and Mrs. Aiken were very much interested in seeing the washing of the Pilgrim's feet and their supper. Easter Sunday very grand,

Page 22	<p>at Saint Peter's and in the evening the illumination of the building very beautiful - Monday evening the fireworks concluded the whole Pageant.</p> <p>Tuesday eve. Saw [Tableaus]. Wednesday packed up. Thursday Paril 8th left the Eternal City - Posting - Mr. and Mrs. Parker went down to the carriage with us to see us off. The first night at Virobo - a nice and industrious looking Tours, where we took a walk before dining - Second night Radicofoni where Etta bought a medal of the Pope, made from the deposits of the water - Third night Siena where</p>
Page 23	<p>we spent Sunday and saw the Procession attending a figure of the Crucifixion, in hopes of obtaining better crops.</p> <p>Monday the 12th at 6 o'clock took the rail for Pisa - Tuesday made an excursion to Leghorn - at the station of which place met Mr. and Mrs. Bruen</p> <p>Wednesday again posting - that night [spezia] - beautifully situated on the Gulf - Second night Genoa, having passed the Mountains of Carara and curious old towns, the Mediterranean Sea constantly in sight - saw Mr. and Mrs. Werkesmont - spent Friday and Saturday - Went by Sail to Turin - Spent Sunday and Monday and returned Tuesday evening</p>
Page 24	to Genoa. Thursday left Votunino for Nice.
-1-	<p>Aix</p> <p>B. Berlin Capital of Prussia / North Germany / and Residence of the King.</p> <p>Pottsdam</p> <p>Fred. The Great's favorite abode Sans Souci - saw the room in which he died - the spot with which his [????] and favorite horse are buried. The fanciful room fitted up for Voltaire - also the Church in which Frederick (and for company) his father are buried.</p>
-2-	<p>B.</p> <p>Dresden invited to dine by Mr. Jackson</p>

	<p>American Minister. C.</p> <p>Prague the capital of Bohemia is situated nearly in the centre of that country on the river Moldau - bridge with the statue of St. John Reparmuk who was thrown in the river and drowned by order of King Wenceslaus 4th in 1381 because he refused to betray the secret confided to him by the Queen in Wuppiow - the Cathedral containing the [????] shrine of St. John Repamuk -</p> <p>The old Jewish burial ground said to date from A.D. 606.</p>
-3-	<p>During the Wupite troubles the University was often the scene of bloody strife.</p>
-4-	<p>Of Napoleon at Aspern in the Elizabeth Bridge is [????] adorned with Statues of the defenders of Vienna against the Turks, Counts Starenberg and Salew.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Dresden invited to dine by Mr. Jackson, American Minister.</p>
Inside Back Cover	<p>Naples wrote to Mrs. Singleton Mrs. C. Loundes - Mrs. Singleton Rome or Naples - Mr. B. Lowndes Paris - May to Mrs. Singleton London - May to Miss Anne Lowndes London June 3rd to Miss Sallie Lowndes Paris June 24th to Miss Kinloch - Mr. Joseph Aiken Paris July Mrs. Singleton and Miss L. Lowndes August Miss Taylor - Aiken - Mr. Rawlins Lowndes - Miss Moses</p>