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Thank you for your kind letter, I should like very much to see
you in person but we must be very soon so I will not
bother you with any more letters. We will try to do with the
best we can. I am sure you will be very kind to me.
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Dear Mother, I wrote to you from Cologne on the road to that day we drove to Bonn & slept there & the next day we were again on the steamer, with rather more intimacy & luxury than our former days. It is a great advantage going up the Rhine that the boat makes such little way that there is plenty of time to do everything; she can scarcely do in two days up, what is easily performed down in one. Sir & Lady Pollock, friends of the ^{Marquess} ~~Marquis~~, who we had fallen in with two or three times, landed with their family at Bonn & we have not met since. Except an old Woman known as Ruthel, I have seen no one. I saw your old Rhine acquaintance, who is going to Geneva & she is then to meet Mr. Pennington, to whom Buckstone gave the letters to Corfu, who is her niece. The letters were mislaid by a servant, but she sent apologies through Arthur & J. Buckstone. So we shall now meet at Geneva. We arrived at Coblenz at 4 Hotel de Ville. One

just opposite the Bridge. We had time to see a little of the
town as we crossed the river & mounted up the Fortified hill
we had a fine view of Coblenz & the country. When you
leave there I suppose Rheinbunten is a ruin. They have
now a very good stone bridge between the towns nothing
has surprised poor Yvonne more than a flying bridge.
The old we crossed, she would not believe till I made her
take round that we had left the other bank.

Thurs. 24 we were off at 6 1/2 & had a delightful steam.
The view of Rheinschloss as we approached it pleased
me more than anything. I think most of the castle
very inferior to our club ground at Putney.
The Prince Fred. of Prussia has a pretty castle at this
end of the valley. It about 7 we reached Mayence
put up at an immense house the Rheinische Hof
now. We waited till 9 the evening after to hear the
Fugate Band. I went over there. Houlton (Lancaster) and
many others. The latter were useful animals.
But the others though good horses, very small & light.
They were far superior to a French light regiment. I saw it too.
We drove by train to Wiesbaden, how beautiful the
view of Mayence is from that road. Though late we
were taken in at Wiesbaden in two days. What Frederick says
you besides dear charges they asked to finish for our horses
was twice as much as the dearest hotel, so we went to the

Hotel by Landwehr having the impudence to order our Coachman
not to stop from his door till paid - however the Police noted it
immediately a strong word to the Coachman, we deposited the money
till the case was decided & proceeded to Frankfurt in time
for a play. 3 dollars followed us on the Rhine - good joke.
Since Saturday we have been at the Roman Emperor, killed
by the heat which is something so intense that even sitting
still won't do. There is however Ice, Seltzer water & English
Porter to console me. I have been plagued about
a carriage, having found one that just suited & agreed to buy
it; the Council of some Nassau Prince persuaded the man
to take his money & does me out of it, the police could
not settle the matter without a Pledge, which might detain
me a month so I must take a very inferior vehicle but
at a much lower price. I am now having new leather made
& I promise to it & hope to have it ready to start tomorrow
morning; to sleep at Dudenberg or on Sat. either Carlruhe
or Baden Baden, where we shall remain a few days to
see the neighbourhood & then for Sinsheim by Freiburg & Schaffhausen.
Your books & maps are very useful indeed. We hope to see
a good many of the places marked before 6 weeks are over.
The mountain air will be very refreshing after that boiling
hot below at yet. You will find me for only one year. I only
We shall not reach Rome before the 20 or 29 of the month and
letters will find us at Geneva at any rate till the 8 or 9 of Sept.
or I hope you will not forget us. How does the Harriet & Florence
O'Brien & home do? We had young Hertford at dinner yesterday
which Wood of Fortin the son of the late helped to do justice to.

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