

1 handsomely finished with colored marbles. The entire interior is white, paneled, and profusely
2 ornamented with stucco work. The arched ceiling is of immense span and gives the side walls a low
3 appearance. The Corinthian pilasters are of fluted stucco work, resting on marble bases & pedestals.

4 March 8th. Rainy day. Took carriage this morning. Visited church of St. Louis. Nothing remarkable.
5 Then drove to St Michaels, the same I saw yesterday. Then drove to cemetery, a very extensive arcade
6 arrangement. Many of the tombs were very fine. Next visited a Gothic church with many superior
7 stained glass windows. After a long drive about the city, stopped at a print store and purchased
8 photographs. They have a curious custom in this city established by law that all persons old or young,
9 after they are supposed to be dead, shall remain three days exposed to public view in well arranged
10 rooms prepared for the purpose at the cemetery. We saw in these rooms the remains of half a dozen
11 babies, one man, and two women. It was a sad and singular exhibition. They were covered with flowers
12 on white and green silk sheets or palls, very neatly arranged. Several candles were burning near each
13 corpse. The pale faces of the dead haunted our party for some time after leaving the place. This law
14 seems very proper, to prevent the possibility of burying persons alive.

15 March 9th. Left Munich at 9:10 A.M. and arrived at Vienna at 9:40 P.M. The day has been bright and so
16 warm that we rode with the car window open most of the time. The broad plane, or valley, through
17 which the road passes appears to be a good farming country, fully improved. There are several neat
18 little towns on the route and three well built cities: Salzburg, Linz, etc. We found on our arrival at the
19 Metropole a splendid building with 400 rooms for guests full. The polite clerk finally said if the three
20 ladies would occupy one room, he could possibly find a place for me. It being after 10 o'clock, we
21 agreed to this arrangement. The ladies went up to their room, and I enquired of the clerk if he had any
22 letters for me. He jumped round and handed me a package of six – one from John Sollitt, one from Clara
23 to Martha, one from Lucia, two from Fannie, and one from Jesse R. Van – a line from Cap. John in Sollitts
24 letter stating that he had written a few days previously (not yet been received). We read the letters over
25 before going to bed. I found a large bathing room fitted up for me, with the assurance that we should
26 have first class rooms to morrow.

27 March 10th. Sun shine, but very windy. Have two good rooms assigned to us to day, and now we are all
28 right. Have not heard from Paris about our trunks, so I telegraphed Mrs. Foulley to know if she had
29 received them. We received an answer stating that a letter had been sent to Krauss & Co Feb'y 23rd.
30 Martha and Julia went down stairs to the office of the hotel and asked for a more careful examination of
31 the letter case, when Mrs. Foulleys letter was found, which should have been given me last night and
32 would have saved me some anxiety and 3 dollars telegraph expenses. So much for carelessness of a
33 hotel clerk. We also found in same envelope from Krauss & Co a letter from James and Almira which
34 added greatly to our pleasure. And now to bed fully satisfied except Mrs. Van wants to give somebody a
35 dressing down for making me spend 3 dollars telegraphing for nothing.

36 March 11th. Snowing a little, raining some, damp and unpleasant altogether. All hands fidgety on
37 account of the weather – but we propose to see this city if it takes all summer. I walked a few blocks this
38 afternoon. Drew 50 £ of Du Rheinach & Co. The buildings, in the neighborhood of our hotel, as well as
39 the hotel building itself, are magnificent structures, generally of 5 stories. The architecture reminds me
40 of the best parts of rebuilt Chicago. The stores are poorly lighted on account of the large dimensions of
41 the piers of the first story, but the architectural effect is better than when the first story appears to be
42 entirely of plate glass. It is just 10 months to day since we left home, two months more and then.