

1 visited the "Augarten," a very extensive and beautiful park. Went into the celebrated "marble bath."
2 Here we found many statues and bas reliefs in marble. In the centre of the room is the marble bath.
3 Here the luxurious old nabobs used to bathe in wine-baths. What became of the liquor after the bath I
4 don't know. After a long drive through the park, we returned by a circuitous route through the city to
5 our hotel in time for dinner at 1 o'clock. Ordered the carriage to be ready for us at 2 for a drive to
6 "Wilhelmshohe." The avenue leading from Cassel to Wilhelmshohe is a broad boulevard 3 miles long
7 with a continuous row of lime trees on each side. The trees are from 20 to 24 inches diameter and very
8 tall. The rows are about 50 feet apart. The branches meet over head forming a magnificent arbor three
9 miles long. Arriving at Wilhelmshohe, we left our carriage to examine the magnificent palace. It is an
10 immense building on a semi-circular plan built of red sand stone in the Ionic order. There are six
11 porticoes with large, plain columns and two semi-circular pavilions at the ends with similar columns. The
12 interior equals in finish any palace we have visited. We were shown the suite of rooms occupied by
13 Napoleon 3rd for 3 or 4 months while a prisoner of war after the surrender at Sedan. There are a great
14 number of portraits of kings, queens, and babies of the nobility. The walls are hung with embroidered
15 silk. The furniture is new and very beautiful. This palace is the summer residence of the king and is kept
16 in perfect running order. We next walked through the splendid park and up a very high hill about three
17 fourths of a mile to the old castle of Limburg built 600 years since. It is of great extent and very
18 picturesque. It is kept in good repair. Otherwise it would have equaled any of the old ruined castles of
19 the middle ages. We examined the interior. The rooms are small, but a great many of them. Portraits
20 adorned the walls of subjects that occupied these premises 300 years ago. The beds and furniture from
21 2- to 300 years old. The little chapel with its fittings and furniture just as it was used ages past. We now
22 took a circuitous path through the woods back to our carriage, then drove up a very steep road to the
23 foot of the grand cascade. Here a torrent of water (in summer) falls 900 feet in leaps and bounds from
24 an immense reservoir built in imitation of a huge castle. On top of this castle is a pyramid some 60 feet
25 high surmounted by a statue of Hercules 30 feet high. It is said that 8 persons can stand at one time in
26 the hollow of the club of this Hercules. It was too late in the evening for us to climb the hill to the statue
27 so that we reluctantly turned at this point for a drive home where we arrived at 6 o'clock. I have not
28 done this beautiful place justice in this meagre description, nor is it possible in such a journal. The
29 palace, grounds, and water works of Wilhelmshohe kept 2,000 men employed for 14 years, and the
30 expense was so great that the government (fearing the anger of the people) destroyed all evidence of its
31 cost. By a unanimous vote of our party, this days pleasure equals any other of the many we have
32 experienced on this extended trip.

33 April 4th. Sunday. None of us feel any the worse this morning from our fatigues of yesterday. There
34 being no service in English in any of the churches to day, we made it a day of rest. Will leave early to
35 morrow for Frankfort.

36 April 5th. This has been a warm sun-lit day. Had an early breakfast and were on board the train at 8
37 o'clock. We were trundled at a rapid rate over a beautiful strip of country and arrived at 2 o'clock at this
38 famed old city of Frankfort: the city of bankers and financiers, the birth place and early home of the
39 Money King Rothchild. After dinner, stepped into a landau carriage for a drive about the city. The older
40 part is very quaint and comical. The newer, and larger part, is well built, and the style of architecture is
41 creditable to the skill of the architects and the liberality of the proprietors. There are a great number of
42 buildings being constructed for residence and business purposes. Also a very elegant theatre. The
43 basement of red sand stone is completed, and a novel arrangement is made to indicate what the