

Termatt. Hotel Monte Rosa

August 28th

1859

My dear Papa.

I remained at Chamouney till Thursday 25th, when having been up the Flégère, up to the Mer de Glace &c, I left for Martigny at 8 a.m.

(Thursday) and after a very pleasant, but rather hot walk of 8 hours reached Martigny at 4 p.m. Here I met Albert Smith again, he being en route for the Great St Bernard.

I never ~~say~~ saw anything like the mosquitoes at

Martrigny, just about sunset
they seem worst.

Next morning at 8 a.m.
I shouldered my knapsack
and proceeded towards
Lion, but as the road
lay straight as an arrow
and level as a railroad
before me for 15 miles,
(and I dare say you remem-
ber the sun and heat
in the Valais) I soon
got tired, and at Piddes
took the Diligence, it
was full but the guard
gave me up his box as far

as Lion, where I was put
into the Coupé. Here I
found a gentleman and his
wife with whom I soon
got into conversation, soon
I made out that he was
Irish, next that he had
been born at Prostrevor
and then that his name
was Evans, a son of
Mr Evans and now
having a church near Liver-
pool. John is his christian
name so that I suppose
Grandmamma knows all
about him as he said he

knew her. I travelled with him on to Kief where we both stopped, and I think

I was of some use to him as interpreter in the matter of getting a horse ~~for~~ to take Mrs E. to Zermatt next day. We all left at 6.30 a.m. (Saturday)

and after a long day ~~after~~ I having my knapsack and Blister reached Zermatt at 6.10 p.m.

To day (Sunday) we are going to rest, tomorrow up the Riffelberg and rest

next day Tuesday I shall
return with them as far
as Stalden, and from
that proceed over Monte
Mores to the Val Anzasca
and so to the Lake of
Orta. I am so very glad
to have got the Evans
company so far, and now
wish I could find a com-
panion for the M.M. pass
as the expenses of getting
a guide there are somewhat
expensive. You need
not expect to hear from

me for a week again at
least, for there would
be nothing gained by
posting a letter before
reaching Vogogna an
Lago Maggiore. I
writing this in a ^{great}
hurry as the English
Service is to be in this
room (coffee room!!)
~~at~~ in ~~at~~ about half
an hour.

This letter is very short

but I cannot help
that. I have not got
any letter from you since
Geneva, and you had better
direct your next to

P. R. Splügen

Switzerland & write

the address as distinct
as possible particularly
the Bredergast

Francis E. Bredergast