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ROMA

Dear Davy: - I don't know whether
 it will make a paper of the
 paper for in here and at all - all -
 day and night - I've been well -
 I really feel as if I ought to tell
 you what I'm doing in the house.
 I'm busy with the garden & the baby.
 I almost kept at the idea of
 green peas and I'm sure I
 shall keep them & keep the
 first green corn. Of course in
 plenty of vegetables and my good
 moral - this is the best I've had
 since one farm - but no peas &
 I'd wouldn't at most of the
 lettuce so in the late; But -
 we do have the best squash

you are all - quite different from me.
 I'm like a big cucumber.
 This is a great deal of fruit in the
 house but it's generally green - I
 keep in from eating too much &
 suppose. I learned to eat a
 peach in the Italian fashion
 & I'll show you when I return
 but it takes a knife & fork. I
 also am completely converted
 to the new & all the other
 side of the family. I had no idea
 the party dishes were so good.
 But I'd like a cup of your
 coffee - if you'd taste the stuff
 I drink in the morning!
 I have been back here since
 the evening of the 2nd of
 August after 10 days in Sicily
 & Naples. It was a wonderful

but I never expected to have one like it! The beauty of the sea & country are beyond belief & there are no kind of wonderful palaces & churches & pictures & ruins to see. I saw much as I can but of course I must do my work first - I go from every place trying to see the things I have not seen - of course I have seen the Pompeii ruins in a full week - I have seen with a good archaeologist - a Roman who has the entire wall the new parts turned up. He showed

me many things not yet open to the public though some there to see that is shown. From Pompeii which is just south of Naples we drove over the mountains - a hair raising drive & spent the night on the heights above the Bay of Salerno at a place called Ravello. It was so high I felt as if I ought to stay up all night & I was up at 4:30 to see the sun come out 2 1/2 miles up my neck! It keeps me trying to get my motor & all else. I have sent my post 3 weeks ago & had word it has reached

Came to get off the second
this week -



my trip to Pompeii &

Pompeii wrote to me & I visited.
certain features & things in Rome.
Then I was a week in Naples.
Vesuvius showed off for me.
The entire ~~was~~ upper part of the
cone was in a glow one night.
but nothing happened though the
newspapers over the country
that she was "in eruption". She
which they have to draw water
to Naples & get them to go off
the railroad that runs as
close to the edge of the crater
as is safe. I didn't go up. It
about the very thing I'd seen
& didn't want to go near, but I

hadn't the least intention of
making a beautiful thing. I
to look at it - my my beautiful.
I expected to go to Palermo
then I went but after a piece
one seat they wrote it out
to accommodate a party &
refused - and the date they
did for me was too late.
I am operating on a schedule
which has come out pretty
well so far. I leave here
the end of next week &
of all you will shall be in
Sienna with - holda Rinaldo
next Sunday. We are both
much excited at the idea.
She told me Sam McClure is
going to see her & I told her
to get him out of the way

before 2 yr - little. 2 night - do living harm!
 2 am sorry party well in finance
 for things and cheer when it comes to
 currency little in dollar. 2 get worn
 ball 2 board here for about \$4.00 a day
 - a shampoo ash - ~~10~~ 7 cents - a dir. for
 down town in a one - use cab about 10 cents.
 The first half mile in a motor tax is 8 cents.
 2 in been rollers mee n mee 2 night -
 some present - they rounded 20 Chap
 but - 2 find they cost up just enough
 unless you careful. 3 2 note 2 stated
 woman to be tonight in a swell casino
 in the Pincian Garden overlooking the city -
 good music - The bad - they coffee, they
 had fancy caber 2 the bill including ser-
 vice was 1 \$6.50 like music is equal to about
 55 cents! 2 added 15 cents to the service
 Mee 2 must stop. 2 go to bed. 2 in had the
 book of little photographs out 2 looked them over
 today 2 wondered how you all are 2 missed
 you three - not - but - must am being a fine
 time. 2 am, but - 2 sit pretty, everyone sometimes
 2 under how you're come they're the love -
 spell. it sounded pretty bad.
 Love to you all 2 eat an ear of corn
 corn for me!
 Lde.

