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LETTER FROM ITALY.

Mr. Jay Sims Writes Most Interestingly of That Sunny Clime.

Mr. Jay Sims, who is a musician in Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show now touring the continent of Europe, writes of his travels to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Sims, and we are privileged to make extracts from his letter as follows:

I wrote you a letter before we left Marseilles, I believe, and enclosed route up to this town, so will write again to keep you informed as to our whereabouts.

We opened in Marseilles to fine business, fine weather prevailing. Then Toulon, where France's greatest naval station is situated. Played Nice for four days, an earthly paradise, the palm trees and other tropical plants reminding one of other climes; elegant hotels and public buildings; fine avenues and promenades by the sea; great winter resort for the rich people of all countries, mostly Americans, English, German, Russian and French; the swell equipages, fine clothes and, above all, beautiful women. Monte Carlo, the world-famous gambling place, is only a short ride on train or street cars. Some of us went over every day. It is certainly a beautiful place where all the rich people go to lose their money. Suicides occur nearly every day. An entire cemetery is given to suicides alone. This is a small country to itself, being a principality held by the Prince of Monaco, who is at the head of the bank at Monte Carlo, "Monaco" being the name of the country.

We left one day going to Genoa, Italy, arriving there about 3 p. m. Showed there three days. I visited the house where Christopher Columbus was born nothing except the bare rooms, all his belongings being preserved in Spain.

Leghorn was the next important city. Showed there three days. We lost another day going into Rome. Showed there one week. We of course devoted all of our spare time to touring the "Eternal City." We visited lots of places, mostly the ruins of a former grandeur. I rode bicycle out on the Appian Way (which is the oldest road in Italy) for about five miles. On either side of the way you see remnants of grand monuments that stood in memory of great Romans. The Claudian aqueduct is parallel for some distance. This is the famous aqueduct built by Claudius to bring water into Rome. Parts of it are still in fair preservation. Visited the Forum, where the ruins of many palaces and temples are lying about one column of marble standing here and there. The Colosseum stands near by, also the arch of Constantine, the palace of the Caesars, etc. The arches of Titus and Septimus Severus stand amid the ruins of the former. Went to St. Peter's cathedral and saw the pit turn that is said to contain the ashes of Peter. Climbed to the top of the dome and up inside the gilt ball that looks from a distance like a billiard ball. It is large enough to hold sixteen men. Went to St. John's church and saw the table on which the Lord's last supper was eaten; also ascended the steps which were the last Christ walked up at Jerusalem. They were brought to Rome from the Roman governor's palace. (Pontius Pilate) at Jerusalem. They are covered over with wool and you see the steps through glass at different places.

The king and queen came to the show one day, and the queen requested a special performance, which was given the next day. She brought her three children and their nurses. The show was to have been given an audience with the Pope, but when the king visited the show first that sovereign to acknowledge him first, and must ask to be received by him.

Family Pride.
A number of little girls were boasting of the rank of their respective families. They had passed from clothes to personal appearance, then to interior furnishings, and finally came to parental dignity. The minister's little girl boasted:

"Every package that comes to my papa is marked 'D. D.'"
"And every package that comes for my daughter is marked 'M. D.'"
Then followed a look of contempt from the youngest of the party.

"Every package that comes to our house is marked 'C. O. D.'"
Retort Courteous.
A merry party being gathered in a city flat made such a racket that the occupant of a neighboring house sent his servant over with a polite message asking if it would be possible for the party to make less noise, since, as the servant announced, "Mr. Smith says that he cannot read."
"I am very sorry for Mr. Smith," replied the host. "Please present my compliments to your master, say that I am sorry he cannot read, and tell him I could when I was four years old."

Bad Stomach Makes Bad Blood.
You can not make sweet butter in a foul, unwholesome churn. The stomach serves as a churn in which to agitate, work up and disintegrate our food as it is being ingested. If the stomach is sluggish and foul the result will be torpid, sluggish liver and bad, impure blood.

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first or he won't see them at all. This rule applies to all, of smaller calibre, the same. I made a short visit to the Vatican museum, but it is so large I didn't have time to see hardly anything. One could spend a year in Rome and be busily engaged in touring and visiting museums. We didn't have a drop of rain from the time we opened in Marseilles until we reached Rome; then it commenced to fall, and with the exception of two days it was a very wet stand.

Our next stand of note was Florence for three days—a beautiful city full of imposing palaces, monuments, museums, etc., and is the mecca of the artistic and intellectual world. This city contains more works of art of priceless value than any other place in the world, it is said. Some beautiful churches are here built of white and black marble, and the effect is unique. I made no attempt to visit the museums, as our time was so limited. The city is full of American and English people, wealthy ones, of course, predominating.

PARMA, April 4. We were to show Pisa today, but for some reason the town was cancelled, so we have spent the day coming to Parma, where we show tomorrow. For the past few days we have been in the mountains, excepting Florence, and it has been very cool. It snowed very heavily five nights ago. The mountains are all covered with snow, and today we crossed some high mountains and were up in the snow for a while. We had three engines on our section now. We came through numerous tunnels, the longest one being 9 kilometres (5 1/2 miles).

After we left Rome the weather has been good, excepting one day. The business has invariably been good—enormous is the better word, there being no exception since our opening in Marseilles, people often fighting to get tickets. So if you hear of Buffalo Bill's show being busted, which I think is the general rumor in the United States, just tell them to guess again.

I hear that our tour in Italy is likely to be prolonged, and that our tour through Germany will not be as long as originally intended. I hope we will get to the snow for a while.

I was very much disappointed in not being able to visit Pisa. That is the town where the famous leaning tower of Pisa is, one of the seven wonders of the world. We will not see Naples either. So Mt. Vesuvius will not be honored by our presence.

Red Wine Put Fire Out.
An incident of the fire in the Latin quarter on the telegraph Hill at San Francisco was the use of wine instead of water in fighting the fire.

The only available water supply was found in a well dug in early days. At a critical moment the pump suddenly sucking dry and the water in the well was exhausted.

Italian residents crashed in their cellar doors with axes, and, calling for assistance, began rolling out barrels of red wine. The cellars gave forth barrels until there was full 700 gallons ready for use. Then barrel heads were smashed in and the bucket brigade turned from water to wine. Sacks were dipped in the wine and used for beating out the fire. Beds were stripped of their blankets and these were soaked in the wine and hung over the exposed portions of the cottages, and men on the roofs drenched the shingles and sides of the house with wine. The wine won and the plucky firefighters saved their homes.

Scientists All at Sea.
The land on which we live and build our homes—the land which the sea writers of the early part of the century confidently and almost affectionately termed terra firma—is well nigh as restless as the ocean which washes its shores. In England at least 70 unfelt earthquakes, each of which has a duration varying from 20 minutes to several hours, may be recorded yearly. Our buildings rock and sway, if we could but see them, as the masts of a ship on a heaving sea. To be sure, the incessant rising and falling of the waters is more violent than the motion of the land, but the difference between the two is largely a difference of effect—the difference between a billow and a ripple.

This was written by one of the editors of the Scientific American just after the Mont. Pelée disaster. It is of particular interest at the present time when scientists are fogging the public with the multiplicity of their explanations of the San Francisco earthquake.

The fact of the matter is that all the scientists are guessing as to what caused the earthquake. One theory is just as good as another. No one knows, and it is impossible for anyone to prove that his theory is correct. Theories relating to all branches of scientific study are constantly being made over.

Frisco Stands on a 'Jelly.'
Most of the destruction done by the earthquake in San Francisco was practically inevitable, in view of the site upon which the greater part of its business section of the city was constructed and the character of its composition. This was no less than a deep marsh originally covered with peat or open water.

Into these bogs for 16 years from 1852, at two intervals, sand was dumped which had been torn from the hillsides by steam shovels that took out a cubic yard (a ton and a half) at each scoop. When the swamps and mud flats were finally filled so that their surface was firm they were even then, and have ever since been, only more or less jellylike masses.

Through this material all the pipes of the water and sewer system of San Francisco in its business district and in most of the region south of Market street were laid. When the earthquake came the filled-in ground shook like jelly, the iron pipes broke and the water system was instantly disabled.

Not Educated.
Senator Pettus, of Alabama, was riding through the State on a campaign tour. He is 85 years old and his eyesight is not as good as it once was. He reached a crossroads and could not make out the signboard.

"Can you tell me what that sign says?" he asked of a man seated on a log by the roadside.

"I cannot," the man answered.

"I'm like yourself—I had mighty little schoolin' when I was young."

Music may be the food of love, but after marriage there is apt to be a demand for liver and bacon.

THE SITUATION IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Baltimore Sun, 24th.

A drenching storm yesterday caused much misery in the refugee camps about San Francisco, especially in those where waterproof tents were not available and the people slept upon the bare ground. It is feared many cases of pneumonia will develop.

The fire along the water front was rekindled and became threatening for a time.

The sufferers by earthquake and fire are undismayed, and already are busy clearing up the ruins preparatory to rebuilding.

There is plenty of food for the refugee camps, the only question being its systematic distribution. President Roosevelt has ordered that there shall be no discrimination against Chinese in the distribution of relief.

The burnt district covers an area of seven square miles.

Many of the frame buildings can be repaired in a comparatively short time.

H. C. Tilden, a member of the relief committee, was shot and almost instantly killed by mistake by members of the citizen patrol.

President Roosevelt's declaration of offers for assistance from abroad is resented in Berlin, where the Tageblatt says the President seems to be declaring ethical independence of the Old World.

The California relief committee in New York passed a resolution, according to Gaylord Wislhire, asking the President not to interfere with anyone desiring to give sympathy or pecuniary aid.

The courts will resume sessions today, the proceedings being held in a synagogue.

At a meeting of the Clearing House Association an opinion was expressed that all the banks would be able to meet their calls.

Two refugees went insane on trains before reaching Ogden, Utah.

A box of California cherries sold at auction in Philadelphia for the benefit of the sufferers brought \$2,430, a single cherry selling for \$105.

The Mint at San Francisco is ready to aid bankers as soon as they call for assistance.

An earthquake shock was felt yesterday at Grant's Pass, Ore., but little damage was done.

ARE FILIPINOS FITTED FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT?

Baltimore Sun.

In a letter from Singapore, published in the Sunday Sun, Mr. W. J. Bryan discusses the subject of self-government for the Filipinos. Mr. Bryan asserts that the Filipinos have a right to self-government and that they desire to exercise this right. It is not true, he declares, that intelligent Filipinos prefer American sovereignty to self-government. Discharged American soldiers who have married native women and are "growing up with the country" are almost unanimously of the opinion that the natives have little fondness for Americans. Mr. Bryan divides the Filipinos into three classes: The "precious few" who are friendly to Americans and who believe the present form of government is beneficial to the islands; those who are beneficiaries of the government and have a sort of "expedient friendship" for Americans; the great majority who absolutely ally a lack of sympathy and interest on the part of Americans in respect to legislation; furthermore, they insist that Americans are not sufficiently acquainted with Philippine affairs to legislate wisely. They declare that American rule is unnecessarily expensive and they point to the large salaries which are paid to the officials of the government of the islands. They assert that money taken from the insular treasury has been squandered in the construction of a wagon road for the benefit chiefly of local officials. On this project \$2,500,000 has been spent and the road is still unfinished. Mr. Bryan believes that a stable government can be established within a short time; that independence can be granted to the natives in five years with safety to the Filipinos and advantage to our government. He promises to set forth in his next letter a plan of independence for the Philippines which will relieve us of the expense of colonialism and secure us every legitimate advantage which could be expected from a permanent occupation of the islands. Having studied the Philippine problem at close range, Mr. Bryan is able to speak with a authority which will command respectful consideration.

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