

Company: I got a full
set of choice negatives of
the scenes which I shall
later submit to you.
Some plants too I have
found here, & I send you
one that puzzled me for
awhile lest you should
think I have been idle:
but Wordsworth has been
our idol here, the only
one we can see & hear:
he gave this region life
and song, & history &
for his sake are we here.
And a more favored region
does not exist on this globe:
Willoughbys at every corner
& water enough to fill
all the brooks & make a
singing melody as you
walk: I wish you could
see it all. Rude scenes also
as compare the two photos.
This has been a wonderfully
happy summer for us & I
am glad we are all yet
young enough to enjoy this
beautiful world. M E H

ENGLISH LAKES.

ROTHAY HOTEL,
GRASMERE.

25 Aug 1903

Dear Walter,

We are still here
but alas! we see the end
of our stay — the ladies
will go to London, but
what is there in London
to compare with these
hills & lakes: We came
to this hotel Aug 1st,
& I did hope to stay till
Sept 1st but we start
for London on Thursday
next & so farewell to
"Merrie England" as we
have seen it here:
we last week had two
interesting days, the "Sports"
an annual Aug. affair
on the Green here at
Grasmere.

and the Cumberland or
West Country Sheep Dog
trials on the high moors
above Trout Beck; 10
or twelve miles away.
We "took in" both days
and Mrs. K. was the
brightest & "sportiest"
of the whole party & would
stay to the end.

On each day I had
a fresh roll of 12 films
& snapped every one
of them: Millie said I
was the most foolishly
reckless man she ever
saw but today I have
developed 24 beautiful
pictures and her disfavor
of her father has turned
into admiration of the
pictures. The Grasmore
sports included wrestling,
jumping, hound trail race
of eight miles and a

Guide race by Silver How
Mt 1100 ft in full view
of the audience: the winner
went up in 11 min 16 sec &
down in 3 min 50 sec. he looked
to be bicycling down, he came
so fast & his white suit
made him conspicuous
in the green ferns & grey rocks.
I caught the pale high
jumper in mid air just
over the bar and have
(I think) a very wonderful
picture; how it will
print remains to be
seen.

Then the Sheep Dog day
was another unique
spectacle on the beautiful
high moorlands to see
the dog drive 3 sheep
over a prescribed course
thro' - in regular order - four
sets of flagged posts & to
a certain little sheepfold
on the hillside interested
a large & thoroughly English



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