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My dear Mr. Drake

If I should say that every time I had seen a bridge I had thought of you - you would have a suggestion of the fact that you have been much in mind up to date. For the bridges we have crossed - and omitted to cross in our devices way, thus far - have been very numerous - most of them for utilitarian purposes solely.

I began my inquiries relative to the "new" bridge in Rome immediately on arriving there. But they failed to arouse a favorable response until I approached the conclusion that there must be some mistake. I was

looking for the new and the ornate - and once when visiting the old fortifications of San Angelo - which is close by the banks of the Tiber - I thought I had found you - only for it was adorned with groups of statuary - & quite recent in its construction - unlike others I had seen - but my map gave the name Ponte Vittoria! My map showed no Ponte Risorgimento - and all of whom I inquired failed to recognize the name. Until Miss Morrison - Mary Morrison and Mary Ware - with whom we were at the time driving - consulting with our driver - came to the conclusion that Ponte Vittoria ^{Emanuele} and Ponte Risorgimento were one and the same. As they have considerable familiarity - from long acquaintance, with the city - and as our driver seemed confident - I can at this time do nothing better than

assume the correctness of this
belief - Miss Morrison was interested
in your inquiry through me - and
before we separated she informed
me that I would find your
bridge in my pocket - I am
enclosing it herewith - It is a
good picture of it - though of course
not showing the statuary in detail

Your cousin Mary Morrison -
and my cousin Mary Ware - had
hoped to take same steamer from
New York with us - but owing to the
lateness of their application for passage
were unable to secure accommodations.
Following later - they reached Rome
shortly before our departure and
remained there for a time - We
shall probably see them later in
our journey - Truly - through
their intelligent courtesy - we

enjoyed our stay in the ancient
city - being housed in the Hotel
de Russie - near the Square where stand
one of the several Egyptianobelisks
brought as trophies from the city more
ancient civilisation - The demand
of the work of the Commission to
which Mr Ware is officially and
I am unofficially attached - prevents
a very long stay in any of the cities
at present - however - and we left
Rome for Florence - Then Venice,
where a full moon was happily pro-
vided for our delectation.

From Venice we come to this
fine city - of which we have known
and still know too little - But
we find a substantial, virile
progressive modern city - in the
midst of an immense, fertile
plain - an interesting vegetation -
We both are well - and Mrs Ware joins me
in cordial greetings to Mrs Deane and yourself.
Sincerely yours Robert A Ware



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