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Dear Sallie,

It's 4 A.M. and I'm sitting here with a couple blankets wrapped around me trying (but failing) to keep warm. I don't remember when in the world we wrote you last but guess it was at least a month ago because it was before we left It. W. & I seem to be making a habit of staying in a country about 2 months, then leaving it. If that keeps up, maybe someday we'll run out of countries and will get to go back to the one I really want to see.

So Fr. is beautify country, different from most I've seen and when its not raining so you can see, the mts. and hillsides around look more like something in miniature than something real. Except for being pretty cold & damp, we've been lucky about the weather I guess for this time of year. We're living in pup tents and have had several miserable spells of rain in which you get wet in your tent or out, it doesn't make much difference.

Did I ever write & tell you that we saw Warner Scriner (or Schreiner) one night. I didn't recognize him because he's heavier & has a mustache but he recognized me. I haven't seen him since. He's a mail clerk I think. He's the first W-L boy I've run into over here. It was in It. but I guess he's in Fr. now.

There's not much to tell, at least that I can tell. Starting a couple nights ago W. & I are temporarily working in a little hospital set up for the camp here. We're still unassigned but are just doing this work while waiting to be assigned. We're working 7-7 every night so guess after a few more nights I'll be sleepy sure enough. Conditions for sleeping in daytime are pretty poor & even if they were good I'm not much of a daytime sleeper. Its been so long since I've done any work like this or even had a regular job that it's a little hard to get used to again.

Guess I'll close for now.

Love,

Wendell