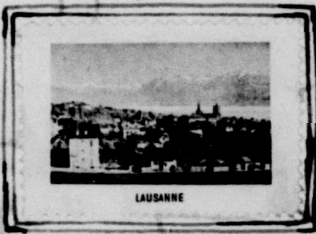


P.S. I was most interested to hear that you were having a portrait of your mother painted. I hope it is done to will be all that you can desire, and that it will give you and all in your home a great deal of joy. It is a very nice thing of you to do - but I am not surprised at your having to time for I know how you feel.

I hope you will think this is a very much illustrated letter. 14 Place St. Francis

My dear King April 20th 1900

What a fine time of it you are having in Berlin and how pleasant it must be. I quite envy you your chances of having German pine trees "wäldchen" and your many pleasant friends. I do not know though that I should exchange this lovely Switzerland, the lake and the mountains with their towering grandeur and impressiveness for life in any city in the world. I have never felt more deeply the beauty and impressiveness of nature, the wonder and vastness of God's handiwork as when looking at the magnificent Alps with their snow clad summits, and the lake below.



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