

thirty years ago in Preston, he at the time living in Gall,
his father carrying on a brewery. He was delighted to learn
that I was a son of Otto Klotz. He relates many old
remembrances he used,

Tuesday 16
rain

All of a sudden we were in St. Paul & I registered at the Ryan.
I intended looking up Dr. M. Lehren but the contin-
uous rain prevented me. He having lately returned
here his name is not in the directory. — Late in the
afternoon I took a hansom in search of Mr. Lehren but
my efforts were futile; I then drove to 19 E 10th St. and
called there, being the residence of Mr. A. Petersen, he was
not in but I saw Mrs. P. Laura & Walter. She has not changed
since 8 years when I last saw her — a quietness mingled with
dejection. I was sorry to hear from her that Mr. P. has
just failed & that they are ruined.

— The growth of St. Paul within the last few years
has been marvelous. It is becoming a large railroad centre,
but its manufactures are limited, not so with her sister
city & rival Minneapolis; it is the distributing point for
the whole Northwestern Country. You see hence that its
wealth & progress are an index of the development of
the hitherto unoccupied lands in this vast domain,
well illustrating that the tiller of the soil is the real
backbone of the wealth of the nation. He can live
without the merchant, the merchant not without him.

My hotel here the Ryan is an
Egyptian structure of modern arrangement. Although it
is described as "elegant" & "luxurious" it is only so in a meas-
ure. The columns, first floor corridors & parlors are
quite handsome but in many of the rooms the second
rate or shabby is apparent. Quite analogous were the
200 or 300 guests at table tonight. Surveying these
near my table one soon learns whether the feast is
only skin deep or not. Carrying food to the mouth
with a knife will settle any man's breeding in my
mind, grammatical blunders like "them" for "these or those

(which is frequently heard) and similar ones, also places the person. I even saw, altho' for the first time in a first class hotel, a man come to the table without a collar and carrying in his hand a copy of the kind paper Police Gazette, than which no other paper is published in America, in fact, its entrance into Canada is forbidden. Such a state of affairs is impossible in the east; there the acquisition of a competency and more so for wealth depends not only perseverance but brains, here nature's wealth in its virgin state is seized, immigration settles the lands, which rise in value, railroad built, towns started & boomed - all done with eastern capital - and the result is "rich" people - many of whom now wear collar & cuffs, "frocks" & diamonds & other good jewelry. - These people have the significant name of being "rustlers." - The liberty of the United States has in many instances degenerated. Take the liquor question. When it is allowed to be sold in a state or country there is little or no restriction to its sale, neither in number of ^(houses) places where it is sold nor in the hours for sale. This is the cause of new towns and the cause of much depravity & frequently of bloodshed, for in such towns it is impossible to have such municipal or police control as in older ones. - My extensive travels in this country have unmistakably shown to me that there are more slots and traps proportionally in the United States than in Canada - and this key is the reason thereof. Although Canadians are not so enterprising as the Americans yet their morals are purer, - the preference. -

Monday 17
fine

At 9 a.m. left for Carleton Observatory at Northfield Maine, & arrived there at 11-17. I found that Miss Byrd at the observatory had been succeeded by Mrs. Wilson formerly of