

The latter are two fine glaciers to which we paid a visit. Still on the move, we again plunged into the mountains till we arrived at Vatnahalsen 2600 feet up. Here we stopped some days, the air being most invigorating, and a lake being handy on which we boated. Passing on, and with the help of a guide, we crossed the mountains at a height of 5000 feet, and were for several hours wading over the snow with magnificent views in all directions. Late at night (though at this time of year daylight reigns all night, and one can read a newspaper at midnight) we reached Ulvik on a branch of the Hardanger Fjord. We had had a long day and our faces were blistered, but next day we were all right. We steamed over the Hardanger, stopping at Vikingraas for three days, and finally arrived back at Bergen after three ~~months~~ most delightful weeks of perfect weather. I must not forget to mention how lovely the spring flowers were carpeting the wayside, nor how simple and kind the Norwe-

gians are, how picturesque the women's costumes. The food was everywhere good and wholesome, and fish appeared at most meals. Cheese is much favoured, and three or four varieties are usually kept on the table. One in particular, made from goats' milk, and rather like a chocolate blancmange in colour, we got attached to, and brought one back with us. Berries grow on all the mountains, and cranberry preserve is a favourite. Our return journey from Bergen to Hull was very smooth. I cannot tell you how this trip has set us up in health."

Addenda in letter same date to Mr. C. H. Bridge on same subject — "The Norwegian language has many affinities with German and Scotch — and is not difficult. We picked up a good many phrases and words, and hope to acquire more by a study of the grammar, dictionary and cookery book we brought back with us."