

Provence Nov. 1933.

Nov. 2. I left Harrogate of the 11.0 train & got to London & registered my letters & got on a two hours, went to the Club for dinner & caught the 11.15 train via Dunkirk

Nov. 3. A rough crossing, slept well till all the ash trays scattered off the table, then I bed. A wet morning - all crossings & an excursion at Dunkirk. It was raining at Paris so took a taxi to Hachettes got the guide book & some notes & then bus to the Grand Lyons. I bought a bus ticket & after a bit sat down to look up train. I had meant to catch the 12.32. I found I was just too late for the 11.40 simply this being the first in time. I had found the 12.32. A carriage (myself & I) & a good deal of the ancient seats were very beautiful esp. of the Antebellum & near Dijon. I changed at Dijon to the train to Chagny. I had an hour wait & got a very good dinner at the station. Then slow train 1/2 hour to Auxois which I reached at 5.30. I went to the "Jermains", had a drink & went to bed

Nov. 4. A dull morning, started out at 5.30. I was first to the Syndicat d'Initiative & got a guide book. Then to the Musée which seemed impossible to photograph Schifanois. Then to the Musée which was quite good; on leaving I asked a man the way to the Paul St. André. He asked me if I was English & when I said yes he showed me in a regular parcel of papers for the English of which I got one as well as a line of paper & was giving me the right answer. Then to the Paul St. André - a fine gate with two passages for cars & two for pedestrians. It was very old but I took a step. Then across the stream to the Temple of James a curious building standing out in a field 20 ft high & sides are ft. high. Two sides remain. I went back to the Hotel & had a good lunch & set out again taking my bag up to the Champ de Mars where an Aunt & I started for Chagny & Chalon. I left the bag & went off & found the "Romain Theatre" said to be one of the most complete. The seating shows well, but nothing else. The "Boullée of the Grand Soud" of the Rugby football ground which is just the front of the theatre has many statues & had all the seats built into it. Then to the Cathedral. The carvings on the capitals of the pillars are very fine but I used very glass to make them out. The organ at the west end is supported on a mass of stone & granite. The exterior looks as if

Some of the Roman remains had been copied. Then I went into the Musée Rolin where there was a good collection of prehistoric & Roman remains. It is not far from Solothurn & there has been a fine deal of excavation on stream between Auxois & Chagny. I took the bus at 4 & found it at the end of my walk to the town. I could not catch an earlier train as Chalon is a depot. So I got on a Chagny bus & after a bit walked to the station & after an hour wait had dinner & caught the 20.9 to Lyons. At Lyons the train waited for 1/4 hour. (22.30 to 23.44) I got on & got my bag which I had registered through Lyons & got on the carriage with. Vienna is ten miles S.W. of Lyons & I got off ready to go. I then took a taxi to the station & got on with my luggage & the train went on. I had just time to cram back with the aid of another passage who says it was Vienna to. As a matter of fact it was a signal against us. Arrived at Vienna 12.20 & I had a breakfast up. Small hotel.

Nov 5. Went just past the Roman theatre. It is a fine site & is a fine site. So well it is. Practically all the ancient remains, the stone walls on the side are showing old. Then to the Musée where there is a delightful (Roman) way back to the museum. Then to the Paul St. André where part of the "Via Aurelia" has been exposed very big & very rough but the rest still shows in stone. Then to St. Pierre was the "Lepidary Museum". Two centuries of Roman coins are shown. I got on at 4.15 & 4.45. I had a good lunch. Then to the Cathedral which was much smaller than of the Protestants under the Baron d'Adels. I was in for hours. I really had hope for some of the big bit Cathedral. I had a very good lunch for 12 fr. near the Cathedral, went back & took my bag to the station. I had taken my bag & registered it to orange colour. It had begun to rain about 2.15. I had been very good of my coat for the cold at Auxois & was I was glad of it for the rain. I got to Vienna at 2.23 & went to the Jermains the museum hotel. It had been very dull & cloudy with occasional light rain & I had needed my glasses.

St. Valentin