seemed to take a liking to our crowd one old church and monastery and adopted us all. We called her called Notre-Dame de Laghet which big sister" and she sure played the we visited was of especial interest

one in a large touring car (which, by over in another corner is a bride and the way, we were able to hire only bridegroom in full wedding costume, because we were soldiers). There embrodered in many colors, perhaps was our bunch of six, a lieutenant the bide offered it as thanks for a who was with us on several occasions, good husband. I could describe doza splendid officer, Big Sister of ens of similar unique gifts left there course, and another American girl, if I had the time. pleture in my mind which I shall buildings on each side. The houses ner. I will give you the story. It ed by Algerian sentinels. never forget. Numerous rugged all join, making one continuous wall has been customary in case of a sul-

part. As she knows France very well to me. It has long been a famous and speaks French like a native, also shrine for all of the mountain re-Italian and German, she was able gion round about it, and as evidence to plan our excursions and give us of its popularity there are thousands much interesting and useful infor- of relies of all descriptions entirely mation. She arranged several little covering the interior walls of the parties for us at which we met some church, articles which the simple real American girls, also several mountain folk have given as a thank nice English and French girls. We offering for what they consider some spent every morning bathing at the blessing conferred. There are crutbeach at which we always met some ches which someone has long used of our friends. The temperature of but needs no longer, crude models the water was just right, the surf of ships which some sailors have had the proper amount of roll, and made with much effort and patience the beach was fine although of small and given as a token of gratitude for pebbles instead of sand. Afternoons deliverence from a storm or shipwe made various excursions and wreck; there are also many rough evenings we were invited to little paintings-occasionally one is quite parties or went out with the girls to artistic and colored embroderings the "jettle" or other places of amuse- which very realistically portray ment. I had some splendid times scenes in which some near relative with two little girls from New York has just escaped death, for instance who have been living in Nice with there is one showing a landslide on their mother for almost four years, the road just behind the person who They were in Barlin at the outbreak so narrowly escaped, there is another of the war where the older one had depicting a horse running away with been studying music and painting for a child in a cart on the mountain The finest excursion we had was caped, hence the thank offering;

promontories divide the equat into through which there is a few very cice about the grou many little bays of a deep blue on narrow gates. Above one such gate the keepers to immediately stuff a the precipitous slopes of which nextle there is yet a projection in the wall bundle of money into the pockets of the little towns and artistic villas and holes through which the defend- the victim so that it would not apmildst an abundance of flowers, ers used to pour boiling water or pear that it was caused by the loss At Nice we happened to meet an American lady, one of the inspectors of the Red Cross and various orphan shurshes a homes, and she took us to the best churches and old perhaps also now highest buildings which bind all to a pistol and fell forward on his face.

forts crowqing all of the highest gether and act as shock absorbers in One of the attendants rushed out and not mother are staying. She hills,

tanta are principally Italian mount then heat it as soon as the start. tain folk, yet I wondered why they tendant had left, this man got up should live in such an inaccessable and took the first train out. The spot and what they might do for a Prince does not permit his subjects living. Passing through one of the to gamble in the Casino. tiny squares in the town we came up-on a typical little Italian mother and the prince's theater which is knitting with a pretty little boy cling- elaborately decorated and ornament to her in Italian and very soon the gold leaf, we went out on the prommother's eyes filled with tears and enade overlooking the sex and en ter a sound. We wondered what the ones are given free every afternoon trouble was and asked. Big Sister and evening. said, "She says, 'The brave Ameri- We returned to Nice by the lower

and the elegant yatch of the Prince one of its highest parks. of Monaco. On the promontory run- On another day we took a troller ning out past the harbor lie Monaco, trip to Monaco, where we visited the which together with Monte Carlo museum and aquarium where there constitutes the whole of the free is a large and rare collection of spe and independent Principality of Mon-cimens and fish which the prince feet climate, beautiful acenery and trips. There is also a fine church plenty of gay life makes paradise there and the prince's palace is very ing the reputation of the place so although quite plain outside. From well, when I saw its elaborate, mag- Monaco we past Monte Carlo on our Another interesting point was the nificence and brilliant colorings. I way to Menton which is the border Into and over the greatly advertised little town named La Turbic, situated felt exactly as if I was looking on city and is as much Italian as Riviera by way of the Upper Cornice on a hill just above Monte Carlo. It some gigantic stage set for some french. Just outside of Menton is has old ruins which date back as far comic opera, and yet I realized that the boundary line beyond which we has old ruins which date back as far comic opera, and yet I realized that the boundary line beyond which we as the beauty of the scenes laid out bestreets paved with brick, some of comedy. All habitues at the Casino low us. We were looking down on the which are so narrow that by stretch-lose in the long run, but there is one. There is a deep gorge there cross-beautiful Cote d'Azur (Azure coast of the Mediterranean) which left a ing out the arms you can touch the man, so they say, who came out win- sed by a stone bridge which is guard-

ing to her skirts. Big Sister spoke ed with a considerable amount of for some time she was unable to ut- joyed a fine band concert. Similar

cans have come and soon they will Cornice road through Villefranche win and then my husband can come and other pretty little towns. About home to me." I had to turn aside half way back we stopped and Bis and grit my teeth to keep back the Sister introduced us to a nice old lady from Chicago who has one of The road down'the mountain side the finest villas along the coast. She to Monte Carlo is perhaps the most showed us around and truly it was winding of any I ever travelled. The a beautiful home. We came down little city with all of its beautiful the mountain side into Nice about 9 onildings and bright colors looked p. m. and the semicircle of lights like a toy model built about and around the bay below made a charmoverhanging the tiny harbor on ing scene which reminded me very

aco, the gambler's paradise. If per- has gathered on his many yatching

tion just now and surpasses it in life and volume of business. It has a wonderful lot of fine shade trees, " some beautiful buildings and monuments, a prominent church of Notre Dame also, on the highest hill, and unique overhead suspension ferry serces part of the harbor; but it is rather a dirty city and the populaton is a bit too cosmopolitan as is often the case with large staports. We returned to Paris on one of st trains, the P. L. Rapide which made fair time and was quite comfortable although slightly crowded. Of course the French have very poor trains now compared to what they had before the war. We had a grand time all of the time, yet it feels rather homelike to be back with the boys. Much love to all, OLIVER.



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