

Cunard White Star
R.M.S. "Queen Mary"

Sat. 22nd Oct.

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 6000 miles by air, which I
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So far, we have had a marvellous journey back. We left New York in the afternoon of Wednesday, and it has been pretty calm. I have several friends on board, & am having an amusing time. There are Frank Halford (the denizen of Naper's cages & a cousin of Halford Wiggins) travelling by chance with his first wife and her daughter! A man named Kudelberg, who is President of one of the West Coast aircraft firms, and another named Parmore,

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lots of shipboard acquaintances,
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Otto Kruger sits at the next
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Glad to hear you are
well.

With love

Your own son

Lawley



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