

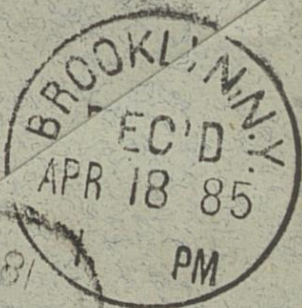
Mrs. Trollope



Miss Kate Hillard  
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goes well, be back here  
after an annual holiday  
at the beginning of October.  
I hope you will let us know  
when you arrive. My  
sister Mrs Taylor begs to  
write with us in all kindest  
greetings to you.

A rivederci!

yours very truly  
Frances Eliza Tollope

April 6<sup>th</sup> 1885



243, Via Nazionale,  
Rome.

Dear Miss Hillard

I received your  
letter dated March 22<sup>nd</sup>, last  
night, and hasten to reply  
to the question contained in  
it. — That is to say, I send  
the best answer I can, but  
I am unable to give you  
distinct and authentic  
information as to the chances  
of success for an American  
physician who wishes to  
establish himself in Rome.  
Frankly, my own impression  
is that these chances are

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small



small. There are here already established two American doctors - Dr. Thomson and Dr. McMillan - and at least three English ones. The Anglo-Saxon colony here is numerous it is true; but it must be remembered that although the shoals be pretty numerous yet these fish are migratory and only swim in Roman waters from three to (at the outside) six months in the year. I dare say

that for a skilful physician such as you describe your friend to be, there might be a good practice to be had by waiting for it. But waiting - as I gather from what you say - is just what Dr. Baucker could not well afford.

I give you merely my own impressions of the state of the case. There must certainly however, be persons here who could give you more trustworthy and precise information, if they would. A Baucker, for instance; or possibly, the U. S. Consul.

We are much pleased to hear that you purpose returning to Rome next autumn. We shall, if all