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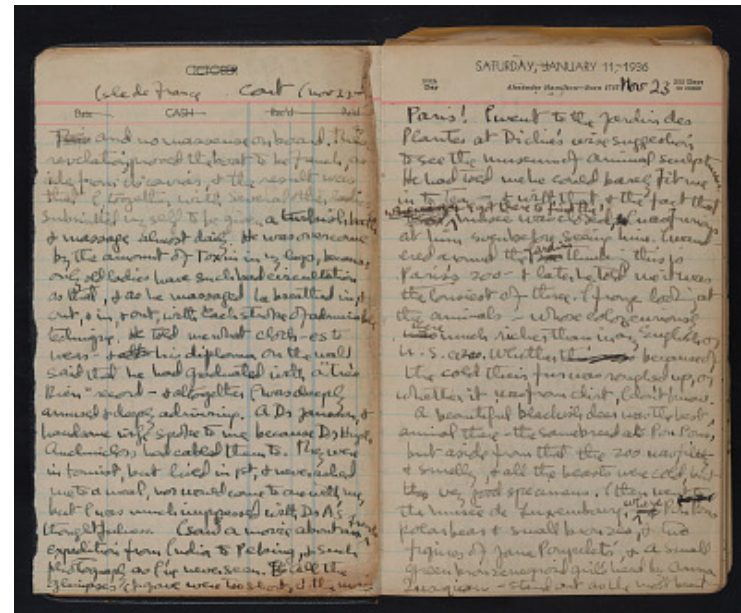
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and no masseuse on board. These revelations proved the boat to be French, aside from its caviar, & the result was that I together with several of the ladies, submitted myself to be given a turkish bath & massage almost daily. He was overcome by the amount of Toxin in my legs, because only old ladies have such bad circulation as that, & as he massaged he breathed in, & out, & in, & out, with each stroke of admirable technique. He told me what cloth-es to wear - & ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ alto ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ his diploma on the wall said that he had graduated with a "très Bien" record - & altogether I was deeply amused & deeply admiring. A Dr Jansson, & handsome wife spoke to me because Dr Hugh Auchincloss had cabled them to. They were in tourist, but lived in 1st, & never asked me to a meal, nor would come to one with, me, but I was much impressed with Dr A's thoughtfulness. I saw a movie about a French expedition from India to Peking, & such photography as I've never seen. ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ Th ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ All the glimpses it gave were too short, & the movie

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Paris! I went to the Jardin des Plantes at Dickie's wise suggestion to see the Museum of Animal Sculpture. He had told me he could barely fit me in to tea - & with that, & the fact that ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ that whereas ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ I got there to find the Musée was closed, I was furious at him even before seeing him. I wandered around the Jardins ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ zoo ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ thinking this is Paris's zoo - & later he told me it was the lousiest of three. I froze looking at the animals - whose colors curiously ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ was ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ were much richer than in any English or U.S.A. zoo. Whether ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ this was ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ because of the cold their fur was roughed up, or whether it was from dirt, I don't know. A beautiful blackish deer was the best, animal there - the same breed at Pon Pons, but aside from that the zoo was filthy & smelly, & all the beasts were cold, but ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ the ~~[[striketthrough]]~~ very good specimens. I then went to the Musée de Luxembourg where Pon Pons polar bear & small bronzes, & two figures of Jane Poupelet's, & a small green bronze negroid girl's head by Anna ~~[[?]]~~ - stand out as the most beautiful



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