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I do not think there is a ~~pl~~ ~~city in the world where a Negro feels at much at home and has as much attention as in Paris.~~ can July 9. Went again to Louvre. Musee de la Marine; exceptionally interesting.

Wired to Gabrielle to find out where 'Frederic' is?

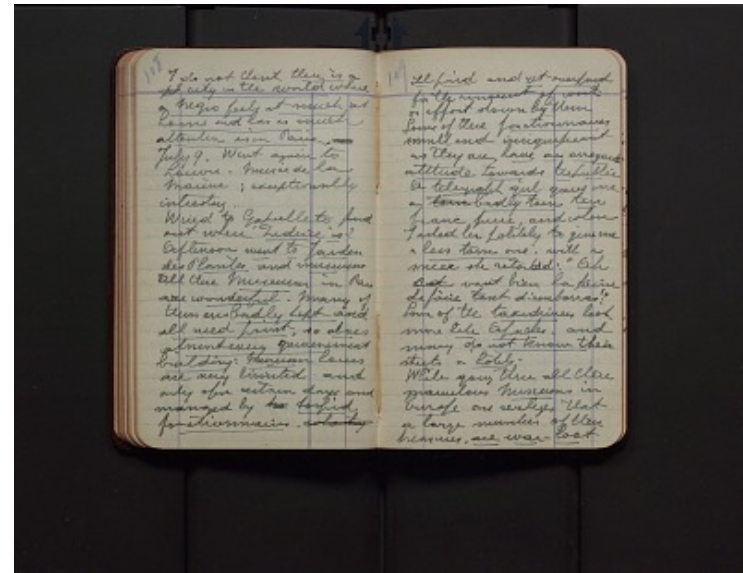
Afternoon went to Jardin des Plantes and museums. All these Museums in Paris are badly kept and all need paint, so does almost every government building. Museum hours are very limited and only open certain days and managed by tro torpid fonctionnaires. who they

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ill paid and yet overpaid for the amount of work or effort shown by them. Some of these fonctionnaires small and insignificant as they are, have an arrogant attitude towards the public. A telegraph girl gave me a torn badly torn ten franc piece, and when I asked her politely to give me a less torn one. with a sneer she retorted: "Ah c'est vaut bien la peine de faire tant d'embarras." Some of the taxi drivers look more like Apaches. and many do not know their streets or hotels.

While going thru all these marvelous Museums in Europe one realizes that a large number of their treasures, are war-loot



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