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CUNARD STEAM SHIP
ABYSSINIA

July 2nd,
190 mi from
Fastnet

My Dear Mother —,

As we expect to arrive at Queenstown early to-morrow morning, I thought I would write you, because you will get the letter a couple of days sooner than if I waited until we got to Liverpool. I am very glad that our sea voyage is so nearly over, although we have had nothing to complain of in regard to the weather. It has been a remarkably smooth passage, for a couple of days the sea was as glassy as a mill-pond, & with the exception of the long sea swell, it would have been perfectly calm. For the first few days the sea was very smooth