

Martha-Pension

FAMILY-HOTEL

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TÉLÉPHONE
PASSY 51-03

Dear Harriet!

At last the Stuttgart trip is in sight! To-morrow morning at 9 o'clock we will leave by the North Station. So this is my last letter from Paris for this time. After a short stay in Stuttgart the Beloved will again return ~~to Paris~~. His present intention is to stay only a few days and then start for Syria. I am glad to have ^{also} this ~~breathing-spell~~ ^{in order} that the friends of other cities may enjoy the Presence of Our Beloved. We have stayed almost seventy consecutive days in this City. I believe this is a great privilege for Paris and I hope its results will be correspondingly great. May the seeds sown in the hearts be watered ~~most~~ ^{by others} ~~attentively~~ so that they may grow into mighty

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trees, yielding delicious fruits at all times!
4 This morning our dear sister Miss
Beatrice Irwin had a very wonderful
interview ~~interview~~. The Beloved praised
highly her poetic nature and hoped
she will grow day by day in this
noble art of human expression. I hope
~~she~~ will compose such poems as to
inspire the hearts with great ideals
and that they may be read throughout
all ages. ~~He said that she has~~ ^{the following symbol} great capabilities
and through the Bounties of the
Kingdom of Akha they will become
realized. She read ~~a~~ ^{the following symbol} poem, ~~very~~
~~lovely~~, ~~beautiful~~ ^{which} was much
admired by the Beloved. It ^{was} called
"the Mount." I liked it very much,
and will quote it here: -

The Mount.

O Mount! O blessed Mount afar,
Beyond the Ken of mortal eyes,
O Mount of Crystal! Source of Streams,
O Mount towards whom the moon

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death turn,

From whom the gold seed of the
sun cast on space,
O throne! whose ~~liases~~ is wreathed
with "milky ways"
Whose crevices are bright with the stars,
O Mount! beneath whose dome
the universe and man
Are clasped like hands in supplication,
Stretching aye, towards thy faint,
ineffable, far dream,
Of light and leaping waters, and a
music
That o'erflows oceans and continents
and our small souls.
O Mount! whose summit is the
source of streams
That wind upon an endless ^{course}
Through worlds seen and unseen,
Worlds that like dewdrops gleam
a fleeting space!

Mount! Crystal Mount past ken of mortal eyes!

Oh let the trembling span of these bright atoms

Be dissolved, into the glory of Thy streams.

The streams that spring from that far source.

That Source past mortal ken.

3 The Master gave her a stone of the greatest name and the Persian name "Mehrehan." (~~that~~). Beside ~~all these lovely things~~ he wrote a very inspiring prayer in her autograph book as follows!—

O Thou God, the Mehrehan!
Suffer Thy Mehrehan to become
the Crier of Heaven! Confer upon
her spirituality and fragrance!
Confer on her in eloquence and
explanation—so that she may
become the cause of the guidance
of the souls and become

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the manifestors of Thy Favor!

(Sig) Abdul Baha Abbas!

4 Before the arrival of Miss Irwin ^{an} English friend called on the Beloved.

She said that the Master's prayers ^{and} supplications in her behalf ^{were} all answered and she ^{was} now very happy

and out of misfortunes and troubles.

On her return to England she desired to have a weekly meeting in her apartment. The Beloved praised

her efforts in the service of the Cause. ^{He told her that} Whosoever with a contrite

heart pray and begs from Baha-Allah help and assistance he will be aided, even if he is not a Bahai, only that he is sincere and whole-hearted in his prayers.

5 ~~Then~~ At 10 o'clock, the friends

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of Mirza Davaud arrived from and
Madame Mun. They have a
wonderful palace in Switzerland in
which they have collected a rare ^{Collection} ~~number~~
of Persian arms, ancient and modern.
This museum is famous all over
Europe. ^{On name} He has published a very
rare book with photographs of these
arms. The book is ⁱⁿ all the large
libraries of European Capitals
and his name is well known
everywhere. He has been ~~interested~~
much interested in the cause for
the last few years and has done
much service in Stuttgart. The
Master's talk with him and his
wife covered a vast range of
subjects and he is going to
translate and publish it in a
special pamphlet, so I do not
need to repeat the same ^{here} ~~in~~
~~these pages~~. When I have
~~translated it~~ I will send you

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~~a copy~~. It will cover many
pages and is most interesting
and instructive. The Master in reality
was going to leave for Stuttgart today
and he stayed especially to meet
these important people. They went
away very happy with the life-
giving words of the Beloved. ~~Then~~
Other people had interviews ^{and} all
~~were~~ ~~very~~ sorry because the Beloved
~~was~~ going away. ~~About~~ ~~before~~
~~at~~ ~~about~~ ^{he} the Master called me
and ~~he~~ ^{together we} went to Miss Sanderson
to say good-bye to her mother
and herself. He was most
eloquent in his praise of their
services to him and to the Cause
cataloguing the beautiful qualities

of Miss Landerson. He was so wonderful
 in his praise of her that ^{any} body
^{should} be proud ^{just to know} of her. The Master
 has often praised her attributes,
 her sincerity in the cause, her
 beautiful spirit, her calmness,
 her sweetness of nature, her
 services but never have I heard
 him so wonderfully eloquent.

I declare by Baba Allah! ^{again he} I declare
 Baba Allah that she ^{was} ~~is~~ ^{his} ~~my~~ real
 daughter. ^{that in his} ~~in~~ ^{my} estimation,
 there ^{was} ~~is~~ no difference between
 her and Rouha. Both ^{were} ~~are~~
^{his} ~~my~~ real daughters. Does any

in this world expect to hear a
 greater commendation from
 the Sacred lips of the Center of
 the Covenant?

Rouha Khanom is feeling much
 better and I think ~~tomorrow~~ or
 after tomorrow she will come

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out of the "Maison de Sante"
and will be again with Mrs. San-
derson ^{the} to recuperate. The Master
was going to rent an apartment for
~~the rest of the time~~ but neither
Mrs. Sanderson nor Miss Sanderson
would think of such a thing and
at last ~~the Master~~ ^{he} yielded to ~~their~~
~~their request~~. Coming back, he
sat at the table with the rest
of the friends and ~~to~~ ate his
lunch most heartily. After his
rest some letters were read
to him from America and
answers were revealed none.
7 dialy At three o'clock two of
the important friends of Persia
called on him and they were

most lovingly received by the Beloved in
 his own room. One of them said that
 he had rented an apartment in the
 same building that the Master
 was living on his first trip. The
 Concierge ~~found~~ ^{was} ~~that~~ ^{him} he ~~was~~ a
 Persian showed toward extraordinary
 honor and ~~he~~ asked him whether
 he belonged to the same nation
 that "Le Maître Abdul Baha" ~~came~~ ^{came}.
 If so he ~~was~~ ^{was} ready to serve him at all
 times. The Concierge ~~told~~ ^{told} to this
 Prince that when the Beloved
~~leaves~~ ^{left} the apartment last year
 one of the American friends ^{went} ~~for~~
 there and ~~bought~~ ^{bought} the Special
 Chair over which ~~the~~ the Master
 often sat for seven hundred
 dollars. The Beloved spoke
 about America and its natural
 scenery, especially the mountains
 of Colorado looking up to the
 sky. Then because one of them

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had read in the American papers
the account of the Beloved's address
in the Jewish Synagogue, they asked
about it and the Master spoke
at length on this subject.

At five o'clock he told us
to call an automobile and with
Doctor Mahmoud Khan and
Saad Effendi ^{he} went to call for
the last time on Rascha Khan
till after his return ^{from} ~~probably~~
~~Shanghai~~
~~within a week~~.

He returned at 7 o'clock ^{and} Ahmed
Pasha was waiting ~~his return~~. For
about half an hour he spoke
with him and then he came
up to his room.

8 He called Mirza Mahmud and myself to his presence and spoke about the wonderful Confirmation which will descend upon all those who arise with the deepest sincerity to teach the Cause of God.

~~This is now half past nine.~~

Monsieur Dreyfus has sent us the railway tickets and in order to avoid any difficulty ~~each one got his~~ they are divided between us.

The members of the party are: Sayad Ahmad Bagiroff, Mirza Mahmud, Sayad Assadollah and your humble servant.

My next ^{communication} ~~letter~~ will be from Stuttgart! Hurrah!

~~Love to all~~

Ahmad