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ADRESSE TÉLÉGRAPHIQUE :

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Dear Harriet!

America! Always America!

America is getting the lions share of spiritual knowledge and divine wisdom! The Persian Bahais who have done so much, who have sacrificed everything for the sake of the Cause ^{in these days} seldom get any Tablets ~~nowadays~~. Stacks of letters ^{arrive} ~~come~~ from the Oriental countries and ~~all of them~~ are left unanswered; but since our departure from America at the ^{very} ~~least~~ (if I had time I could ^{more than} ~~count them~~) one hundred and fifty Tablets have been revealed, translated and mailed to the United States! Is not this a most efficient ^{manifest} sign of ^{Abdul Baha's} ~~his~~ divine ^{Love} for the inhabitants of those regions?

There are Bahais in Persia who will
 gladly give up everything ~~they have~~ if
 they could receive just ~~two~~ ^{one} line from
 the Master. ^{and} This is not an exaggeration!
 This is the conservative truth. ~~All~~
 The ~~people~~ ^{Bahais} of America must truly
 appreciate the inestimable value
 of these heavenly gifts! Every Tablet
 is a fountain of divine knowledge; ~~Every~~
~~Tablet~~ is a rose-garden in which the
 hyacinths and anemones of Love ^{are growing} ~~are~~
^{and} spreading their fragrances. ~~Each Tablet~~
 is a Celestial Table ^{on} ~~over~~ which is prepared
 all kinds of delicacies; ~~Each Tablet is~~
^{and} ~~the~~ most priceless heritage to posterity.
 Let ~~each~~ ^{those} person who ^{are} ~~is~~ fortunate
 enough to get ~~one or more~~ of Our
 Beloved's Tablets protect and take
 good care of them, as the apples of ~~the~~
^{their} eyes. The descendants of the present
 Bahais ~~families~~ ^{will be proud} shall glorify ~~over~~
 the rest of the world because in
 their houses ^{will be found} the Tablets of Abdul
 Baha ^{will be} ~~are~~ found!



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This morning after the revelation of many Tablets for America the Master rested awhile and ^{later} received the friends in his own room. ~~Amongst those he received~~ ^{called early} Mrs Lichenthal and Mrs Beede. He told them about the wonderful spirituality of the Bahai meetings in Persia, how the believers love each other, how they are devoted to the Cause, and how they cooperate and assist each other. Then he expressed the hope that such divine and illumined gatherings may be established all over America, that the friends in those parts may show to all the people of the world that they are the embodiments of unity and the ~~un~~personifications of disinterested love.

To another person he said: — 'God has created man so that he may advance along all the degrees of progress. There must not be any stops in his pathway. If such a state exists, he will become successful, he will obtain eternal joy; he will not be withered and unhappy. He will be always young and fresh.'

4 To a mother he said: — How are ^{your} ~~they~~ children? Are they well? Do you give them an ideal education? The children of today are the citizens of tomorrow. The mothers of today inculcate so many material ideas in the minds of their children. They tell to the children in the way of encouragement: 'Study hard and ~~then~~ ^{you} shall become the general of an army.' They do not incite them in the acquirement of the ideal virtues. They do not tell them: 'Strive that ~~then~~ ^{you} may ~~become~~ ^{you} a sincere, — just man; that ~~then~~ ^{you} may ~~serve~~ ^{serve} faithfully the world of humanity.' It is ^{in the power of} ~~possible~~ ^a ~~for~~ the matter to educate



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^{her}
~~the~~ child in such wise as ^{that he may} ~~to~~ become
 the leader amongst the leaders or
~~to leave him~~ ^{grow amidst such depressing} ~~to~~ ~~evil~~ environments
 as to become the worst criminal!
~~amongst men~~. Now you (addressing
 all the friends who were gathered in
 the room) are all my own children.
 I desire to educate you in such wise
 as to become illumined, divine
 and godlike; day unto day you may
 advance; your conduct and character
 may improve, your spiritual
 perception may increase and
 your minds become more
 radiant. May each one of you
 become as an ignited lamp, shedding
 the rays of wisdom to all the
 dark corners and crevices!

Consider the condition of these people! From morning till evening, they run hither and thither, working and laboring, sweating and striving! All their thoughts ~~and~~ ~~ideals~~ are weighed by the measures of Francs. The man who has one hundred Francs does his utmost to make it a thousand; The person who has one thousands works like a beaver to make it ten thousand. The ten thousand man has his eyes fixed on a million, and the millionaire with the greatest avidity longs to become a multi-millionaire. All of them are submerged in this sea of insatiable hunger for gold. "Let me get all I can out of the other fellow" is the universal dictum. What is the end of it all? ^{at last} ~~he~~ leaves behind his accumulated wealth and goes away empty-handed. But if such a man was imbued with spiritual characteristics he would have become the light of the world and the guide of the nations. All that you see is subject to change. Where is the



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living, fire-breathing, ~~active~~ past generation?
 Where is Napoleon, the Great with his
 Austerlitz victory and Moscow Retreat?
 Where are the unconquerable phalanxes
 of his Imperial guards? Where are
 the long line of the French Kings?
 Where are the many Louises? Where
 are the children of Orleans? Where are
 the descendants of Philippes? All, all
 gone! They have walked through the
 wilderness of oblivion and the valley of
 the shadow of death!

Speaking about the future, Cause of the
 in Paris he said:- The present indifference
 shall be replaced by a great enthusiasm;
 the call of Alha shall be raised from
 every house and the Banner of "Ya
 Baha El Ahha" shall become unfurled
 from the tops of every house. Rest

ye assured of this.

1 To a number of French Bahais he said:
Day and night strive and teach. Do ye
not rest for one moment, Organize
meetings. Deliver speeches in the gatherings.
Speak with eloquence and fluency of
tongue. Proclaim:- O ye French people!
How long are ye sleep upon the couch
of ease! How long do you prefer unbelief
to belief! How long are ye inadvertent,
The divine Shepherd has come to you.
Do not run in the jaws of the wolves.
The real Shepherd loves you and desires
to gather you in one flock. Do not
fly away from him. The ^{celestial} Orb
is shining. The Sun of Reality is in
the meridian. The rain of Bestowment is
pouring down! Are ye yet sleep? Consider!
What an eternal Sovereignty was
founded by those came beneath the
shadow of the True One! How many
Queens have come into this world
and after a few years their names
and fame entirely forgotten. But
the Queenship of Mary Magdalene



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is yet eternal in the Kingdom of Christ.

8 Today, ~~the~~ ^{he} Beloved was invited to lunch ~~to~~ the house of Mon and Madame Dryfus. At one o'clock he came with his automobile and took him there. At five ~~the~~ ^{he} Master returned and took me with himself for a long walk through the avenue Kléber, Avenue Victor Hugo etc. Returning home he felt quite tired. He ate very little, - a glass of milk, and retired to his room. Thus another divine day lapsed into the past, never to return again but ever living in the memory, even after death. Love to all

Abundant