

Martha-Pension

FAMILY-HOTEL

97, rue Lauriston

PARIS

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TÉLÉPHONE
PASSY 51-03

Dear Harriet!

Martha Pension Here we are, back again to ~~this~~
~~hotel~~. The proprietor, the servants and
the ~~people~~ ^{guests} love the Master and show him
great veneration and respect. He feels more
at home in this ~~place~~ than in Baltimore
Hotel. Besides ~~this~~, it is built in a quieter
~~place~~ Rue than a large avenue which pulsates
with the ever-rushing stream and tide
of life. In the morning we were all
busy packing. The Master always attends
to his four ~~satchels~~ ^{handbags} of papers. No other
person is allowed to do ~~it~~ ^{this for him} because
they may displace the letters or papers
he needs most. Although I did not feel
well I had to be up and try to perform
to the best of my ability my various
duties. Never have I appreciated more

the value of health. I used to enjoy in America and in various parts of Europe ~~as now~~, I did not know what is fatigue or sickness. It is all right for a person who has little to do to get sick but those who have many duties to perform must not be ^{attacked}. However, I put myself in the mood of the Master and do not give any importance to the bodily failing but look always for strength and health to the source which is the spirit.

2 This morning Miss Hodgson came to bid farewell to the Master as she ^{was} going with her father to Brittany, the south of France for summer. "Thou art my dear daughter" he ~~tells~~ ^{tells} her as they shake hands and she sits down. "I love thee very much. I have heartfelt attachment for thee, Thou wilt ever be in my memory. Wherever thou goest, teach the Cause. Inform the people about the realities of this Manifestation."

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The more thou spreadest the Glad-
tidings, the greater will be thy spirituality.
Teaching the Cause of God is like
unto the sweet singing of an artist.
The Artist enjoys more the song
than an indifferent audience, because
she has studied for a long time and
knows too well the hardships and
the sufferings of the student life.

3 Then a Miss Cruttwell, an English
woman came in with Miss Sanderson.
She has had just heard about the
Movement from Miss Sanderson
and the ~~Reading of the~~ ^{the} ~~Beacon~~ ^{Beacon} ~~from~~ ^{from} a Tablet which
has been revealed to New York friends
years ago, has entirely transformed
her views of life and attracted her
~~completely~~ to the Cause. She is a
writer of novel and articles for

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the English magazines and at this very
time she is engaged in writing a book.
Now having heard of the revelation
her greatest desire is to inculcate the
Bahai' principles in this book ~~or~~
~~rather change entirely its tone and~~
~~style,~~ She was all aflame with the
Fire of the Love of God and tears
of joy flowed from her eyes. She
was so overwhelmed with the Holy
Presence of the Beloved that she
could hardly say ^{one} ~~a~~ word. All that
she could ask was to ^{receive} ~~have~~ the
blessing of the Master and to remain
steadfast in the Cause. Praise be
to God the heavenly Voice of the
Beloved was heard that the
Glances of the Favors of Baha-
Ollah have enriched thee and
thou hast attained to the knowledge
of the Kingdom. The Doors of the
Kingdom of God are open before
thy face! Happy is thy condition

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for thou hast ^{attained} ~~entered~~ ~~them~~. I hope that
thou wilt become one of the elect.
Be thou ever firm, ever steadfast.
Firmness and steadfastness are the
two great attributes of God. Adorn
thyself with these spiritual
garments. As long as the tree is ^{not}
well rooted it will not yield ^{luscious}
fruits. As long as the foundation is
not well laid, the building shall
not stand for ever. "Then ^{Miss Craft} she took
off her hat and knelt before the
Beloved, begging for his Confirmation
and assistance. The Master putting
his hand on her head delivered in a
^{hushed} ~~most sweet~~ low voice the
following prayer:-

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O Thou Almighty! Direct Thou this
traveller toward the Pathway of Thy
Guidance! Suffer this thirsty one to
reach to the Fount^{ains} of Thy
Bestowal! Confer upon this indigent
one an abode in the Neighborhood
of Thy Infinite Mercy. Let this
hungry one sit around the Celestial
Table of Thy heavenly Food! O
God! Encircle her with the
Glances of Thy Providence!
Immerse her in the refulgent sea
of Thy glorious Lights! Grant her
the swift wings of Inspiration
so that she may soar toward
the realm of ^{the} exalted ideals
and universal Love! Protect
her and guard her ~~from every evil~~ ^{in Thy Fortunes}!
Verily Thou art the Generous!
The Compassionate and the Merciful,
J Mrs Lelianthal and Mrs Beede, Mrs
and Madame More and others
came in and the Master praised

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the marvellous civilization of France and the high degree of attainment of the people. In the afternoon ^{Ahmed} Pasha came ⁱⁿ and the Master sat with him in a store next to the hotel and spoke with him in Turkish.

At 4 o'clock we moved our trunks and satchels to ~~this hotel~~ ^{Martha Pension} and by six we were all settled in our new rooms. It was about

9 o'clock when they announced the arrival of Mon and Madame Richard. Meanwhile the Master had called alone on Rouha Khanum and returned about 8 and went out again to take a walk. They waited for a few minutes and

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he came in. ~~Then~~ The Conversation
started on the indifference of the
French Thinkers to all religious ^{subjects}
and how to reach them, on the beliefs
of the sufi adepts on God and creation,
on spiritism and kindred phenomena.
From nine till 12 o'clock they
the Master relating some very ^{spoke} ^{funny}
stories about the common beliefs
held in the Orient on haunted houses
and ^{grounds} ~~places~~. These imaginary ideas
have blighted the life of the Orient.
They have wrecked many homes and
many happy families. They are
pure imaginations and superstitions.
^{Ugh!} ~~he said~~ ^{Said at last} Two of the stories were
about the "jins" and ^{ghosts} ~~Alcees~~. When
I feel better I will ^{write} ~~translate~~ them
for you, because, the Master
played an important part in
each story to break the notion
of jins and ghosts.

Love to all

Abraham