

**Martha-Pension**

FAMILY-HOTEL

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PARIS

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TÉLÉPHONE  
PASSY 51-03

Dear Harriet!

So far <sup>as</sup> I know ~~for the present~~  
~~on Friday~~ <sup>next</sup> ~~the~~ Beloved of the world  
shall sail Eastward from Marseilles.  
After ~~more~~ <sup>nearly</sup> than 6 months sojourn  
in Europe and after the diffusion of the  
lights of the Kingdom of Abha, the  
Sun of God's Covenant shall again  
shine from the Eastern horizon. It will  
be the work of future historians and  
thinkers to marshal the most important  
facts of Abdul Baha's American and  
European tour and focus them before  
the gaze of generations yet unborn.  
For the present we are too near the  
heavenly luminary and we cannot  
portray the right proportions of light  
and shade. There must needs be a

power of reflection, and the concentrated force of poetic imagination and sublime insight into the spiritual value of every event connected with the <sup>Western</sup> Master's in order to describe ~~it~~ and give to it its exact ~~place~~ and significance in the history of the Bahai world. But today we have no time for such interpretations of the Master's <sup>high</sup> deeds and words. We have hardly time to record them; how much more to weigh them with our puny intelligence. This is the season of ~~the~~ seed-sowing and any other work will have limited results. We must arise with the utmost sincerity and devotion to ~~spread~~ <sup>raise</sup> the Call of the Kingdom and ~~upraise~~ <sup>unfurl</sup> the Banner of the Oneness of the world of humanity. This is the most important <sup>affair</sup> ~~work at hand~~. The Master has practically finished his work in the West. It is now the time for the friends of God to walk in his path, ~~and~~ to spread his Teachings and to become imbued with his attributes.

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It is of course the greatest joy and privilege  
of my life to accompany <sup>him</sup> ~~the Master~~ where-  
ever he goes! In this world there is no  
greater honor than this! Six months  
ago I could not realize this; three months  
ago I could see it very dimly, and  
I cannot see it very clearly, because <sup>yet</sup> ~~but~~ I can see  
it is too gloriously dazzling - ~~but~~ I can see  
it better than dimly. I can tell you  
without exaggeration that if they had  
made me to choose between the wealth  
of an American multi-millionaire and  
the servitude of Abdul Baha, I would  
have chosen eagerly and happily the  
latter. Shaloom at his Threshold is  
glory; death in his path is life. No one  
on the face of this earth is worthy to

stand one moment in his holy Presence  
Even the essence of sanctity is ashamed  
to show an appearance in his Court, <sup>because</sup>  
the sanctity of Abdul Baha does not  
belong to this earth; it is heavenly.  
Therefore, were it not for his pure  
bounty and favor, his ineffable sweetness  
and patient fault-covering, we could not  
stand the majesty of his station and  
the grandeur of his love. His mercy like  
unto the sun shines upon the just and  
the unjust alike. The fruits of the tree  
of his existence are shared by all the  
children of men. His luminous ideas  
like unto the searchlight pierce through  
the impenetrable darkness. From the  
fountain of his heart, the river of life  
flows on and on. His bestowals are  
not suspended ~~and~~ <sup>his</sup> Graces are continuous.  
His love and Kindness are genuine.  
<sup>and</sup> The flowers of the garden of his mind  
are never fading. The simplicity of  
his conceptions is miraculous and the  
verdant meadow of his being is starred with  
delicate primroses and odorous violets.

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This morning the Beloved was happy and well and as he came down from ~~his room~~ he asked me to call <sup>on his behalf</sup> on some people which I did with great pleasure. On my return <sup>a few</sup> ~~some~~ Americans, Parisians and ~~English~~ <sup>Irish</sup> were sitting all eager to hear him ~~speak~~ were sitting in the room. Each person was asking questions and the Master was answering them. He spoke about the wonderful power of faith and how it transforms man from the lower to the highest station of life. Faith changes the crown of thorns into the diadem of jewels. Today all the crown heads of the world are humbled before that crown of thorn.

4 One of the present ladies had two sons in the school and asked the

Master to pray for their success. Mrs  
More asked several questions about  
the evolution of matter and spirit  
and satisfying answers were given. Then  
Ahmad Tasha came and invited the  
Master to his home for tonight where  
several lately arrived Tashas are also  
invited to meet the <sup>him</sup> Beloved. He accepted  
it and ~~he~~ asked the Persian friends to attend  
the meeting in Mon Dreyfus <sup>apartment</sup> which  
they did except myself; for I did  
not feel well nor have I felt any better all the last few  
weeks.

Enclosed you will find the copies  
of three Tablets in the name of German  
Bahais which you may distribute  
amongst the friends. Also in a  
separate cover I mail to you two  
French Magazines, each containing five  
articles on the Cause. In the  
future there will be many articles  
in the French Press - thus showing  
the awakening of people in the  
spiritual life. Love to all.

Ahmad