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Dear Harriet!

1- Praise be to God that after many days of expectation on the part of German Believers they are at last favored with the Presence of the Beloved of the world. We arrived at 8pm and immediately ^{took quarters in} came to this magnificent hotel near the station. "With joy and happiness we have arrived at Stuttgart" ^{Abdul Baha's} ~~the~~ message was flushed to all parts of the Orient and Paris, London, New York, Washington, Chicago, San Francisco etc.

2. Today we were ^{up} unusually early. Although I had arranged all my affairs - by affairs I mean my ^{own} satchel - yet the joy of visiting the friends

of other Country made the heart
 pulsate quick^{er}. France had more
 than its share; now the Sun of the
 Covenant must dawn from another
 horizon and cast its rays upon other
 people. As ~~the~~ ^{our} ~~stay~~ ^{sojourn} in Stuttgart
 will be ~~only a few days~~ ^{short} we are
 not going to take ^{with us much baggage} ~~any thing~~ ~~with~~
~~us~~ ~~we~~ are leaving behind our
 trunks in the same hotel. Mirza
 Jalal will stay in Martha Persson's
 and have a room there and we
 leave our extra baggage in that
 room. ~~First of all~~ Miss Fraser
 and Miss P. Hadjson came ~~down~~ ^{told them}
 to see the Master. He ~~said~~ ^{said}:—
 We are ^{leaving} ~~going~~ for Stuttgart ~~today~~.
 While there, we will be engaged
 in spreading the Cause of God.
 We are looking forward to
 raise the Call of the Kingdom

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~~that city~~

in ~~Stuttgart~~ and to cry at the top
of our voice. ^{The friends} ~~you~~ must also
travel around. If possible, as many
of them as they can, they ^{should} ~~have~~
move ^{from place to place} ~~around~~; ^{ten} ~~ten~~ days here,
15 days there. ~~Everywhere~~ ^{where} they go,
they must cry ~~out~~ ^{message of the} the Kingdom
like unto ~~him~~ ^{him}
He will be ^{with} ~~you~~ ^{them} always. Wherever
you are ^{they} ~~are~~ ^{his} heart ^{will be} ~~is~~ with
~~them~~ ^{Let them} know ~~of~~ this of a certainty.
~~Let the Bahais~~ ^{and promote} spread around, ~~spread~~ ^{and promote}
the glad tidings of the
Kingdom of Abha. ^{Let them} Open ^{their} ~~your~~
wings, ^{and} fly in the atmosphere
of heavenly Teachings. ~~Let them~~
not sit silent. This is the
day of speech. ^{They} ~~you~~ must
work; ^{they} ~~you~~ must strive.

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they Miss Grace and Miss Hodgson)

When I leave Paris, ~~you~~^{leave} leave
also for London and ~~there~~^{while}
spent ~~your~~^{their} time in calling the
people to the Kingdom. Wherever
~~you~~^{they} go ~~for~~^{they must} reach the Cause ~~and~~^{and}
about the Kingdom. ~~do not~~^{Let them}
spend ~~your~~^{their} time in a two
discussions. ~~Dedicate~~^{Let them} ~~your~~^{their}
lives to the Cause. It is ~~his~~^{his}
hope that ~~you~~^{they} may be
heavenly, divine, spiritual,
attracted, enthralled!

3 Mon and Madame Dreyfus and
many Persians came to say good-
bye to ~~the~~ Master and it was
about 15 minutes after eight
when we left the Hotel for
the Gare de L'Est. The Master
went with Mon. Dreyfus in
his auto and we got two taxis
for ourselves and other
friends.

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Arriving at the station I hurried ahead
and got the seats for the Master.
~~The Beloved~~ ^{He} and ~~1~~ Ahmad Bager
had first Class tickets and the
rest ~~of us~~ 2^d Class but we were ^{all}
on ~~the~~ same ^{train} wagon which was
divided into two parts, the first
part first Class, the second part
second Class. At the station there
were many Bahais with bouquets
of flowers ~~in their hands~~ for
the Master and the little girl
with her mother ^{to} of whom I
referred in other places
have ~~written to you~~ twice in
former letters. The Master loves
this girl very much and she
is also ~~very~~ attached to ~~the~~ ^{him}
~~Beloved~~ ^{when he saw her} he exclaimed with joy: - Ah!
My friend has come
also to bid me farewell. I am
very glad! ~~the girl~~

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Now ~~the~~ ^{he} Beloved is in his comfort
His ~~hands~~ ^{arms} are full of flowers. He
looks out of the window. His
face is benign and smiling.
His ^{moving} hands shower divine blessing
upon the friends. ^{and} Then he utters
his last words :- I shall never
forget you. You will be
always in my memory. I
leave you here as my own
souvenirs. May God assist
and confirm you. My last
advice to you is: ~~to~~ ^{to} arise in
the ~~preaching~~ ^{promotion} of the Cause and
the teaching of the souls!
~~Then the train slowly pulls~~ ^{moves}
~~out and little by little~~ ^{slowly} adds
to its speed. We look out of
the window, ~~and~~ we see
the ^{weeping} faces of the beloveds,
their hands are in the air,

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hats and ~~the~~ ^{moving} hantkerchiefs are ~~being worn~~ ^{and they are sent off}
and then ^{only} one turn, ~~of the train~~ ^{find ourselves}
~~shuts off~~ ^{from} our view and we are
looking at the meadows, blooming
trees, green valleys, cultivated
fields, vast stretches of
forests, happy, contented
farming communities, busy
industrial centers, rushing
rivers, large towns, ^{and} beautiful
~~mountains~~ ^{hills} covered with ^{blossoming} ~~fruit~~
trees all ablaze! These, ^{rather} ~~looked~~ ^{appeared}
from ^{a distance} ~~far off~~ ^{as} like snow
capped mountains. Every now and then
the host
gladly exclaimed ~~all the time~~:
How divine! How beautiful
nature is! ^{It is clothed} ~~It is~~ in its gold
^{robes} ~~dress~~! I am glad to travel at this
time of the year. How
all creation is transformed

with the touch of ^{the} Spring!
4 He asked me to read to him the
news, and of course the most
I told him of ~~importance~~ ^{was} the death of
Mr Morgan. ^{Regretfully he said that it} ~~It~~ would have
been well, ~~he said~~ had he
breathed one breath in the Cause
of Baba-Ollah! ~~Now~~ He has left
all that wealth which he ~~has~~
accumulated during his life ^{time}
and ^{which now} will serve him to no
purpose! When I told him
that the Stock Exchange in N.Y.
stopped five minutes to pay
homage to ^{this financial} ~~the~~ funds of
Morgan he was amused. "Oh
five minutes!" he ~~said~~ ^{exclaimed}.

Sayad Assad-Allah had
prepared a fine lunch for
us, rice, chicken, ^{matzoon etc} ~~sauces~~.
We served first the Master

~~first and at ourselves afterwards~~

The Master said that as soon as he started travelling he ~~had~~

felt much better. This is very ^{significant}

~~strange~~ indeed and showed the plan of God that I must not stay in one place too long!

5 ~~The~~ An interesting phase of the Stuttgart trip was the total ignorance of the German friends about the Beloved's departure from Paris. He told Mon. Dreyer not to telegraph them at all because he was going to "surprise" them. While the train was speeding along, ^{and hilariously} laughing, he was ^{telling us} ~~speaking~~ that this ^{was} the best thing: - We will arrive in Stuttgart, take our rooms in a hotel, settle down ~~in~~

~~hotel~~ and ^{then} call up the friends! How
will they be surprised, ^{yes} not they
a fine plan? We ~~are~~ ^{were} going to
surprise them! ~~Then~~ When they
came ^{to the hotel}, they will find us in
their midst; ~~but now they~~ ~~not knowing~~
~~anything~~ ^{no} about it at all! Yes,
this is the ^{very} best plan!

6 About 3 o'clock tea was
served and then the ~~Beloved~~
~~attended to~~ ^{he read} ~~a few~~ letters from
America, and revealing answer
to each. He was very happy
as he dictated Tablet after
Tablet, ^{while} looking out of the
window into the lovely country
^{adorned with blossoming} ~~full of red~~ trees ~~adorned~~
7 white, ^{pink} and red. At 8 o'clock
we reached the Station and
the Master ~~gan~~ alighting
from the train walked up

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Marquardt,

to ~~this~~ hotel, a ~~picture~~ ^{postcard} of which I enclose. ~~the~~ ^{rooms} engaged ~~the rooms~~ and then I telephoned to Mr Herrigel and Mr Ekstein and a letter was despatched by ~~the~~ ^{my} messenger to Miss Kuablock. When over the phone I told ~~Mr~~ ^{my} Herrigel that ~~the~~ ^{Alfred Baha} ~~Master~~ ^{Baha} was in Stuttgart. I could tell ~~her~~ ^{her} by the intonation of her voice that she ^{almost} jumped ^{up} with the air of delight and surprise! "What! What! Alfred Baha here! in Stuttgart! Is this possible!" Within a few minutes Mr Herrigel arrived and was ~~introduced~~ ^{taken} into the Mr Master's room. The Beloved embraced and kissed him very affectionately and said: - You see! I have come!

I have fulfilled my promise!
God willing you will also come
to Haifa. On Mount Carmel
there are many of your ^{Country} patriots
..... God hath chosen ^{him} ~~you~~
from amongst the ^{German} ~~people~~ for
the sake of his own Love. His
Wolfe's Christ hath said ~~that~~
many are called but few are
chosen! "At this time Mr
Ekstein was announced. He
has been to Paris last year ^{and had} ~~seen~~
the Master, so they ~~know~~
each other and he received
a warm welcome. Then the
Beloved Continued: - Consider
the Beauty and Favor of
Baba Allah. How he has ^{united}
us together in Faith and
assurance. He hath cemented
together our hearts, our

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spirits and our souls. Our
love stronger and more powerful
than the love which exists
between the members of one
family. This is real union for
whenever I thought of you
I was made very happy.
Outwardly a few years ago we
had never heard the name
of Stuttgart and you had never
heard the name of Gaur! This
is the unifying power of the
Word of God! It is not yet
known what a great love
Baha-Allah has created in
the hearts but when this
love frays and develops
and yields delightful
fruits, then its unifying
power will be fully indicated;

~~Then~~ ^{Then} the world of morality will
 become illumined, spiritual
 susceptibilities will be
 obtained, the minds and the
 souls will be educated, the
 lights of sanctification and
 holiness will shine forth,
 the people will become
 real sincere Bahais; the
 the lights of reality will be
 reflected through the transparent
 glass and the solidarity
 of humanity will be ^{readily}
~~obtained~~ apparent and
 manifest. ~~Then~~ ^{in detail} the
~~most~~ ^{most} spotted ~~of~~ ^{is}
~~deal more~~ which ^{is}
 impossible to ^{report} ~~have~~ ^{report}
~~them~~ now. Arrangements
 were made that tomorrow
 be devoted to the the

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to the promotion of the Cause.
9 Supper was prepared &
he brought ~~it~~ ⁱⁿ for the
Master and he ~~partook~~ ^{spoke}
~~of it~~ while he was eating.
~~For supper~~ We went to
a restaurant near by
and after 45 ^{minutes} we returned to
the hotel. Miss ~~Chambers~~ ^{Chambers}
Knoblock and Miss Daring
were waiting for us. We talked
with them for a few minutes
about the Master and the
joy and surprise of the believers
when they hear that he ^{was}
actually amongst them!
Miss Daring is a good and faith-
ful Bahai and she serves
the Cause very ^{faithfully} ~~well~~.
The Master had by this

time retired, so they could see him ~~but~~ ^{just} tomorrow morning!

I feel very happy in Stuttgart. The friends here are very warm, very genuine, very sincere, very earnest. The Cause has taken a firm hold of the truth-seeking German people and it will grow and grow.

The Master's room is on the second floor ^{Room No} No 150 ^{overlooking} ~~over~~ the broad avenue; and the Royal Park and ^{the} palace are ^{not far} a little ~~farther~~.

All Germany must sing the songs of joy because ~~is~~ the Beloved of the World is in her midst! ^{Germany} She has never had a more honored and a more divine Guest than ~~the Master~~ ^{Abdul Baha - the Mystery of God}. Happy Germany!

Love to all