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Berlin-Charlottenburg 2
March 24th

Dearest Florence:

I wonder if you got my letter sent to New York before you left. I hope so. Then your letter came a few days ago telling me you were to be in Paris on the 15th. There was a conference here and I have had so much work that I have not answered before this time. I had to deliver a long lecture here on Indian women in history and their modern development, and do it in German at that. I worked night and day and delivered it last evening to professional women. So now this letter is coming to you, though much delayed, with apologies for its delay.

I shall remain in Berlin and wait for you. Where else should I go to? When you come we shall meet again. I can not go any place to meet you for many reasons, chief of which is financial, and then I have passed the stage of taking contributions from others. Here I have to stick to make my living, and even a day taken off leaves a serious hole in my purse. Then I am trying to enter analysis again for I have had a very bad back-slide and am not at all well. Added to this is the fact that I am trying to finish my book, I am writing articles when possible, teaching privately, and trying at the same time to study social welfare work in Berlin for a report.

When I wrote you to New York I sent a letter of introduction to my dearest of all male friends in the world, Bakar Ali Mirza of Oxford. He was here last week, is now in Switzerland, and flies through Paris on his way back to his work in Oxford and London. He can not stop in Paris to see you, but says he will meet you any place when you come to England. In case the letter did not reach you with the introduction in it, please note his address as follows:

Bakar Ali Mirza, Esq.,
5, Addison Crescent,
Oxford, England.

Alexander Berkman is in Paris, and his address is in care of the American Express Co. also. If you want to see him, just drop him a line and address him as Alexander Schmidt-Bergmann, and then if you don't know him personally, tell him that you are my dearest friend. That will be enough.

Good-bye dear. Until we meet.

Ayako