

Dr. Hillebrand thinks I may be somewhat hasty but, then, he has never been in Strasburg. At any rate, I have not had enough of Dr. Barry and Heidelberg will be just as advantageous in July as now, while, on the other hand, Strasburg will be unendurable in mid summer. The term begins next Monday. Since I have been here I have done nothing but read and write German, which is profitable for me in the highest degree.

I have seen considerable of Dr. Hillebrand since I have been here and he has done all he could to make it pleasant and to help me about my German. We always speak German together when Mrs. H. is not present. He doesn't allow German in the house. His oldest son is studying chemistry with Bunsen. His little rosy cheeked boy goes botanizing with his father and his father tries to teach him

Dr. Hillebrand wishes  
kindly to you & Mrs. G. & Co.  
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Dear Sir;

Your letter  
I received while in T.  
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of a very amiable disposition and strong personal attachments which must have made him beloved by all who had any acquaintance with him. He must have been quite old.

I almost forget the substance and date of my last letter to you.

I think, I wrote just before leaving Strasbourg for the vacation at Easter.

During the six weeks vacation I wished to study the language apart from the botany, which I had until then had no opportunity to do. I went to Frankfurt with

the son of the American Consul at whose house I stopped until I found board with a private family.

I stayed there three weeks and had no fault to find with the instruction but found myself imposed upon as regards the money.

I left in disgust and went by invitation to the Consul's where

I remained a couple of weeks then withdrew to the quiet American city. I call it Germany where of the people speak English is certainly one of the most beautiful in spring trees are in flower. I come here because I want, for myself, where a good place for study. Dr. Hillebrand thinks Webster, the Consul is going to return to Germany and me to come here and study botany at the same time.

Accordingly I find that to be compared with for botany and I leave for the latter city to May and June with

promiscuous reading and writing  
and ~~and~~ in the evenings, "Kneip".  
if I can stand the beer. There will  
probably be several excursions into  
the Fogs if the weather is  
favorable.

The proposed changes at Columbia  
and Harvard are important but,  
with regard to them I can only say,  
I shall be very glad of a good place  
in either college and as long as you  
are so kind as to keep my interests  
in view I shall not be anxious. With  
regard to the Sheffield School, the account  
I saw was in the Boston Transcript.  
I will tell my brother to give you  
the money for Cooke's magazine. I  
agreed to take it from Bolles at \$2.00 but  
I suppose he must have not found  
subscribers enough and so turned over his  
subscription to Mr. Millan. Prof. Hyatt  
of Boston is in Stuttgart. I expected  
him in Heidelberg on Sunday but  
he did not come. He is writing to

German. I like to hear  
speak, their voices are  
child will be a botanist  
as he picks every thing  
"die schönen Blumen".

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won't be a botanist  
who knows anything  
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