

Only yesterday we received at last
our wedding pictures of which I send
you a copy with our compliments.
My letter to you had delayed for so
long as I liked to send the picture
to Mrs. Deane and you. We think,
the photographer, otherwise a prominent
artist, could do it better and people
say that we looked much better in
nature. The golden spring day on
Tuesday May 16th we never can forget.
It was a day just as Mrs. Deane and
you wished us in your cordial letter
of May 16th, bright sunshine and flowers
everywhere, as if nature would partake
in our happiness. The wedding ceremony
took place in the old lovely protestant
church at Hosterwitz by the Royal
castle preacher and parson, who held the
service with unusual solemnness,
preaching over half an hour on the bible-

Hosterwitz b. Dresden, June 15.
1911.

Dear Mr. Deane,

You have certainly been much
surprised to receive lately a letter
from me from another country. My
wife and I took a four days wedding
trip to North East Bohemia, at first
visiting the Tier-Mountains, specially
a place called Josefsthal, the native
place of my grandfather's, and I had
the splendid chance to see yet the
building of the 200 years old glass-
factory called, 'Zenkner-Hütte' where
my great-grandfather was master about
130 to 150 years ago. I never had seen
the place, one of the loveliest mountain
valleys existing, before, but my good
father had told me much of it, all his
life wishing we should go there together

sometime, but the plan could never be carried out. We reached now the remote place easily by the new railroad, and we had right the last chance to see the interesting old factory-building. They are just going to pull it down and it will disappear in course of this summer. They have built new factories. Sunday we spent at Böhmisches Sticha, the lovely birthtown of my parents and mine in the Teschen-Valley, and where I sent you the view-card. The latter shows on the front the proud palace of the present owner of the great wool-and cotton-factory (over 2000 workmen), a millionaire Blaschka (our great-grand-fathers were brothers). Inward you find from the left to the right: 1. The palace of the late founder of the factory, Schmitt, owned by his daughter, 2. part of the factory, 3. the Municipal building

(city-hall) partly from 15th century, 4, the German grammar school, 5, the Gymnasium, 6, an old fortress-tower from the 13th century, 7, a view from the charming city-park, 8, an interesting gardenhouse, and 9, a little bit of an old suburb of historical interest. I shall send you sometime later a view of the whole town. I had not been over there since 27 years, the visit was again and again postponed, and so we met only a few friends yet alive. We ought to have gone oftener there. Time flees so rapidly and life is too short. How rapidly the weeks have fled since our wedding, to think of it, we are 4 weeks married! On Monday we returned safely, happy to see that my mother, who had rested at home in company of a relative and our brave maid, was perfectly well.

theme: , Peace to you: We had only a few guests but a great deal of the people here had shown cordial interest. With delight we thought of dear Mrs. Deane and you and of your cordial friendship, and of all the very friendly interest shown so nobly by our American friends Miss Ware and Prof. Dr. Goodale. We only were sorry that we could not have your presence in person. Now it goes all well in the old way. My mother, my wife and I unite in all sincere good wishes and affectionate greetings to dear Mrs. Deane and you. Again we thank you both sincerely for the acts of friendship and we are delighted at the thought to have sometime the pleasure of seeing you both in person with us here.

Very sincerely yours

Rudolph Blaschka



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