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My dear Kelly

I have just seen the young lady whom
Dr. Michaelis recommends in Mrs. Prof's
place. Like the latter she is very young,
only 19 and has just passed her examinations
with good results. She has however had a
year's practice in teaching at the seminary
and Dr. Michaelis thinks her quite capable
in fact even superior to Mrs. Prof in
mental capacity. Personally she is tall,
bright and rather good-looking, says she
is fond of intercourse with children, also of
games, as she had charge of the gymnastics
and the games connected with the latter.
Mrs. Prof told her all the particular requis

There is nothing a few lines to thank you for your kind invitation and state the reasons why she cannot accept it.

merits of the situation, and she seems very
anxious to get it. Altogether I think
you would be well to take her, unless
there is chance of a superior personage
in point of years and experience. She is
satisfied with the terms and ready to
start immediately after Easter, or when
you require her. I told her you would
enter into communication with her
directly, either to accept or refuse her;
so she is waiting for a letter from you.
Her name is Clara Schöne and her
address Berlin W. Hegligersstrasse 28.
Her parents are alive, in modest circum-
stances, I suppose, and belonging to the

the middle class, which I think you
would term "lower middle class" in
England. But her manners from the
small sample I have seen of them, seem
to be quite lady-like and nice. In any
case you would be able to form her, as she
is young and bright. Of course she may
have hidden defects, that would escape my
observation in an interview of 20 minutes,
still I should advise in her favour,
so much for business, and I am afraid
I have very little time for anything else.
We are at the close of the term, and there
are accordingly many things to be looked
after and arranged, especially in writing,

casting up of accounts etc. But you know
but as well as better than I do so I need
not beg pardon. Poor Dr Michaelis has been
terribly tried by family misfortune besides
his hard work. He had to send his wife to an
asylum, and what went before was enough
more. He therefore has asked me to apologise
in his name for his not answering your
letter nor having been able to look after
his mother any sooner. My foot is not
quite well even now. I get pain and swelling
with even so little extra walking, otherwise
I am all right, only a little tired. Wish much
you be! I hope you will have pleasant
Easter-holidays and plenty of rest. Please
remember me kindly to your sisters and parents.
My people send their love to you. Yours affly
Miss A. Cobden.