

Berlin, Jan. 16th 11.

My dear Nelly, AL/3855

Many thanks for the book and for your charming letter, giving such good and amusing accounts of your general prosperity. We too have had a pleasant Xmas-time and in connexion with it the visit of Gustav Götz, who always incites my sisters to some mild pleasure-hunting. They - I mean

the sisters - beg to give their thanks
for the photographs and the good
wishes, which they return.

I have not yet read your book, as
it generally ^{requires} ~~stands~~ some urgent
motive to make me open an instructive
book in my holidays, and this one
will keep. I hear so much serious
study and have to keep up with it
to a certain extent in and out of
term-time, that I feel the want

of reaction in my private selection
of books. But I am sure to fall
back on your instructive gift some
time or other. I should think it
would prove an interesting sequel
to Stuart Mills' "Subjection of Women",
whose subject-matter has in a way been
superseded.

Just now I am rather involved in
practical matters, viz. looking out
for a suitable abode for our Berkshire
miners. Hence "during their last 2 or

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3 years of existence, since we shall ~~the~~
definitely give up this house by next October.
I too shall then retire into privacy and
private quarters, which will have to be
found. Along with these changes grows
up the plan of a "Lindinheim" i. e. a
sort of college for residence of women-
students, which is to take the place of the
present Victoria-Lyceum.

Good bye for the present, dear Kelly, and
many good wishes for the newly begun
year.
Yours affectionally
Alex^{andra} von Cotta.

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