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My dear Kelly A2/3770
I hasten to answer

your letter on the spot, having a moment
to spare, as there is so much business to
be got through these next ensuing days,
I am afraid it might swallow up all
thought of private concerns.

Your plans cannot be more unsettled
than mine, and perhaps that similarity
of situation may help us to meet at
some given point. The only thing settled
is that I must spend part of my holidays
with my mother, i. e. in the Harz, but
I cannot tell yet, whether that will be the
part or the latter half of my vacation.

Yes, the anarchist aims in France are dreadful!

which begins next week and lasts till
the middle of August. I fancy you
begin in August only, so that ~~it would be~~
one only chance of meeting ~~to arrange~~
would be in August.

Besides my mother two other people
want me to come to them, viz. my little
friend, staying with me now, whose
home is in the Silesian mountains,
and Dr. Dehmel who claims my
visit as an old promise. I think if you
really had to go to the Tannus I should
make a point of meeting you there,
supposing you could arrange your stay
for the first half of August.

Switzerland is too expensive a journey for
me, I am afraid, else I should like it
very much and it would do me good,
& more than any of the other places.
But I had to spend a lot of money this
spring on furnishing the new house and
am rather out of elbow in consequence.
With regard to a meeting in the Alps,
I do not think Blauenburg would satisfy
you for a long residence, but it would
be quite a good pied à terre, from which
to make excursions into the mountains.
You know it faces the plain, having the
mountains for an immediate back ground
very pretty walks and good accommodations

at less extortionate prices than the rest of
the Hay, at least the more picturesque
parts. It would be a great pleasure to my
mother to see you. She has to forego most
occupations in order to save her eyes and
therefore is reduced to ^{visiting} intercourse. On her
account I cannot help wishing you to
decide for the Hay, but in that case I should
have to arrange my own stay there in the
latter half of my holidays. Therefore I must
beg of you to let me know as soon as possible
how the chances lie. I could order nice
rooms for you beforehand at any time
you mention.

She is staying at the sea-side just now

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in order to recruit her health a little,
which had been much affected by the
care and anxiety attendant on my mother's
illness. She will however return to
Stambridge early in August, I think.
I am very busy with the task of reforming
of our Lyceum-courses in correspondence
with the new regulations of the government,
about which more by word of mouth.
Probably I shall not be able to get off
before the middle of the 2^d week in
July. You must excuse this very
rushed letter with the hurry in which
I write. I want to see you very much,
so good-bye an revoir, if possible.
With love
Yours affly
A. von Costa.