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Dear Professor Eiman

My wife and I are looking forward with the utmost pleasure to a brief visit to Berlin in the near future. In fact unless anything unforeseen occurs, we hope to reach Berlin on Sunday morning next. I remember that you were kind enough to suggest that we should come out to stay with you at Dahlem, and indeed it would be a great pleasure to do this. But Hedi has so many friends to see, and I shall be trying to work so strenuously that I think it would be unpractical for us to invite ourselves out to you during this brief stay. I wonder whether you are likely to be at home on Sunday afternoon next? If you were we should very much like to come out and spend the afternoon with you.

My wife has today received a charming letter from Frau Professor, so that we are well posted in respect of your doings and all that is going on among our friends in Steglitz and Dahlem. As for ourselves, there is a good deal to relate, but it is only half satisfactory. We have nearly finished negotiations for a house in London, half of which has still to be built. We shall not be in our own home before September, I fear — and this means of course that I am not getting forward with my work as well as I could wish.

None the less, I have been very busy at the British Museum collating the Sallustian and Anastasi papyri anew. I have learnt a good deal, but in these late-Egyptian texts one is often pulled up by lack of evidence for the meaning of a word — probably the crucial word in a context. But of this and much else I hope to have soon an opportunity of talking with you.

Best greetings and kindest regards from
us both

Very sincerely yours
Alan H Gardiner