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Yale University, New Haven, Conn[ecticut] U. S. A.
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Professor W Vaihinger,^a Halle, Germany

My dear Professor Vaihinger:

Your kind letter¹ of inquiry was received just as I returned from Chicago where I had been lecturing during the Summer term of the University. It was some little time before I could see Miss Cutler, who was then absent on her vacation. Will you not accept this explanation in excuse for my delay?

I think that some account of Miss Cutler's thesis² would interest you and your readers. And she has consented to prepare an abstract³ of her positions which, when it is brought to me, I will gladly read through. I have nurtured to ask her to make this abstract rather full, and if it should be more lengthy than you wish to publish. I think you may feel free to reduce it's size so as to suit the purpose of your "Studien".

I am very glad to learn of the pleasure you have had in Dr. Buchner's society.⁴ He seems to me a very promising young student of philosophy. Perhaps he informed you that he is to give (privat-docent fashion) a course of lectures⁵ on the biological development of the Kantian System, which will supplement my lectures^b | and^c seminar work in the interpretation and criticism of Kant.

I share in your desire that we may meet at some time⁶ in the near future; and why should it not be on American as well as on German ground? In the summer of '92 I lectured on philosophy in Japan and I am now hoping to visit that country again in the Fall of '99 and to return home through Europe the following winter and summer.

Faithfully and sincerely yours,

George Trumbull Ladd

Anmerkungen

¹ Your kind letter] *nicht ermittelt*

² Miss Cutler's thesis] *vgl. Doctors of Philosophy of Yale University. With the titles of their dissertations 1861–1915. Prepared by the Graduate School. Published by the University. New Haven April 1916, S. 175 (<https://archive.org/details/doctorsofphiloso00yalerich/page/174/mode/2up> (22.8.2024)): 1896 | Anna Alice Cutler, B. A. Smith College 1885, M. A. 1889. | Dissertation: The influence of aesthetical considerations upon Kant's theory of knowledge. (Published in part as follows: The aesthetical factors in Kant's theory of knowledge, Kantstudien, 2:419-439. Hamburg, 1898.) | Professor of Philosophy, Smith College, Northampton, Mass.*

^a W Vaihinger] *so wörtlich*

^b on ... lectures] *am linken Rd. mit Bleistift doppelt angestrichen*

^c and] *Text der letzten Briefseite quer über die Rückseite der 1. Seite geschrieben (einfach gefalteter Bogen mit 4 Seiten).*

- ³ an abstract] vgl. *Anna Alice Cutler (New Haven, Connecticut): The Aesthetical Factors in Kant's Theory of Knowledge*. [From a dissertation presented in candidacy for the degree of doctor of philosophy at Yale University in June 1896]. In: *Kant-Studien 2 (1898)*, S. 419–439.
- ⁴ Dr. Buchner's society] *Edward Franklin Buchner (1868–1929) 1893 an der Yale University graduiert (PhD), 1903–1908 Professor of Education University of Alabama, ab 1908 in selber Eigenschaft an der Johns Hopkins University (<https://aspace.library.jhu.edu/repositories/3/resources/105> (1.3.2022))*, hat eine Anzeige eines eigenen Buches in *Kant-Studien 1 (1896/1897)*, S. 283 erscheinen lassen, signiert mit: New Haven-Dresden. Näheres über einen Deutschland-Aufenthalt nicht ermittelt; ein Zusammentreffen mit Vaihinger könnte im Herbst 1896 stattgefunden haben. Keine Korrespondenz ermittelt.
- ⁵ course of lectures] vgl. die Notiz in *Kant-Studien 1 (1896/1897)*, S. 486 für das Wintersemester 1896/1897: New-Haven (Yale-University): Prof. Ladd, Kant Seminary. – Dr. Buchner, History of the Kantian Philosophy. Mehr für das angekündigte Thema nicht nachgewiesen; Buchner lehrte im Wintersemester 1897/1898 an der New York University: Comparative study of the Scottish Philosophers, especially Reid and Hamilton, and of Kant, with inquiry into the influence of Scottish Philosophy upon American Thought (*Kant-Studien 2 (1898)*, S. 496).
- ⁶ we may meet at some time] *Treffen nicht ermittelt*