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Dear Dr. Guggenheim-Grünberg,

I hope you are well and that all is going well with your work.

I am just writing to say thank you for your very kind letter of 21 January including the photocopy of your most significant article in the *Trierer Beiträge*. I shall of course thank you for your great help, in my dissertation, which I hope to complete by Spring 1982, and in any published work where it is quoted. I consider your discovery to be of paramount importance in the history of Yiddish, firstly in its own right, demonstrating true fusion phenomena in morphology from a date far earlier than the otherwise oldest determined fusion morphology, and secondly, as a paramount lesson in linguistic methodology — much linguistically accurate information on older periods of Yiddish can be culled only from non-literary sources, documents and attestations, rather than from the stylized works of Old Yiddish literature.

Although because of financial reasons I see no immediate prospects of traveling, I was wondering whether if, by some chance, I am able to visit Switzerland, I might have the pleasure and honor of meeting you in Zurich.

Thanking you once again for all your help, and wishing you the very best of everything,

Yours faithfully

  
David Katz