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Florence Nightingale
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Madam

How ungrateful you must
have thought me, as you were
so kind as to think about me
at all, for never having
acknowledged your goodness
in sending me, through
Madame de Schmidt-Zabierow,
your interesting pamphlet on
the "soziale Bewegung auf dem
Gebiete der Frauen", with some
gracious little lines addressed
to me at the beginning in manu-
script by yourself. This
was dated as far back as
Frau Auguste von Kitzrow

June 1868. And I received
it at the beginning of the
present year.

I wish that I could tell you
half the pleasure it gave me.
But time & strength are very
short with me. I am a
woman overwhelmed with
business which never leaves
me 10 minutes' leisure, and
with ill-health which gives
me no respite & keeps me
entirely a prisoner to my bed.
I would I had some book
worthy of you to send you -
I venture to send a copy
of "On the Subjection of Women",
just published,

by one of our greatest living
writers, John Stuart Mill,
chiefly remarkable for the
power of imagination with
which he places himself at
the stand. point of women.

Without at all vouching for
its soundness of view, I think
this book may interest you.

[Mr. Mill is a widower & has
shewn an extraordinary devotion
to the memory of his wife,
whom he married when she
was past middle age, an
invalid, and a widow.]

Assure you that the necessity
of arousing women to the use
of their faculties is most
pressing

prevaling in England - far
more so than in France or
than, as far as I know it, in
Germany.

I take the liberty of sending you
two little works of mine - not
as being worthy of you - but
as a tribute of my gratitude
which the word is very
feeble to express.

I make no apology for addressing
you in English - for I see
by your work, that you
are versed in our tongue.

Pray believe me
Madam

Ever your faithful & grateful servt.

Florence Nightingale

