Nice, August 22nd, 1945

My darling Billy,

It is 9 o'clock in the evening and I am very unhappy because mother and I just had a big argument with my father.[1] Therefore tonight, I have the blues like I have never had them before because I feel all alone, and I feel the need to confide in someone who cannot say anything to my mother, she already has such sorrow. Thus, it's you Billy darling that I have picked because I love you. My father doesn't make my mother happy and for a while, all I do is argue with him. I don't know what will happen. Thus I am very unhappy. Billy darling, excuse this letter but you, who is so good, must understand me, you are the only one I can confide in. There is Uncle and Aunty of course but with them it is not the same, and they already know my big secret. Tonight, in my turmoil, it's to you Billy darling that my thoughts go and to write you does me some good. Now, Billy darling, I am laying down, the mother is laying down next to me and is reading and I am writing you. My darling Billy, I ask you to do your best to come to Nice again because for me, not seeing you again will be too hard. Besides, one day you will go to America and maybe you will forget me. I don't want to think about it and nevertheless, it makes me very sad. But maybe I will have the happiness of seeing you again and spending good moments again with you before you return to your beautiful country. Billy darling, I leave you for tonight because my the letter must bore you. Mother sends you all her regards and her best wishes. I hope that my father will be in a better mood tomorrow. My darling Billy, wishing you from the depths of my heart to see you again. Please receive all my love and millions of kisses from yours truly
JANY

[1]Though the nature and topic of the argument are unknown to the reader, this is the second time Jany references her father and his temper. There is clearly some animosity between Jany's mother and father which could explain Jany's attachment to Mr. Lodin, another father type.