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Land Salzburg, Austria.  
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My dear Mario,

Herbert Feigl told me in Vienna that The Critical Approach was out, and that he had actually seen a copy; and on our last day in Vienna a copy actually arrived! It is a beautiful volume; and although I have only read in it, looking at various places, I can say with confidence that it is a very good book - much better than any Festschrift I have ever seen. (I do not even exclude the most famous of them all - the Zeller Festschrift to which Helmholtz and Theodor Gouperz and other Heroes of Old contributed.) Although I was, partly by yourself and partly by Feigl, prepared to expect something very good, I was nevertheless very much surprized by the beauty as well as by the extraordinary high standard of the contributions; and your own Introductory Remarks came as a surprize to me and to Henric. They are much too eclogistic; still, they are very well meant, and gratefully (and shamefacedly) received by both of us.

As to the change on the cover and title page which gave you some headache, as I remember, I for one am all on the side of the publisher! At any rate, I feel that another way of putting it would have been even more embarrassing! In my opinion everything is perfect as it is, and I am very greatly honoured and very much pleased with it. It is a wonderful gift, and should finally free me from every ambition I might still have harboured so far!

Vienna was very strenuous but very interesting and worth while. Before returning to our Island, Penn, we are having a short holiday in a little village in the mountains (not the high Mountains) of Salzburg. On Monday July 13th we intend to be back home.

Please let me know how you both are, and about Australian developments

Many thanks again,

Yours ever

Karl