

13<sup>th</sup> April 1810

To Mr G Van Crombrughe, Brewer in Grammont, Dept of the Escaut

Very dear Father and Mother,

Not knowing what time Jean will leave from here, and needing some material to make a dressing-gown, I am writing to you to ask you immediately to send me some; I need four ells<sup>1</sup> and an ell of casimir for a waistcoat.

I see with great pleasure the time approaching when I might see you. I cannot tell you the day of my arrival precisely, but it will be in Easter week. I hope to find you in good health, and to enjoy this pleasant time quietly.

Please receive my sentiments of respect and filial tenderness and believe that I sincerely call myself

Your very devoted and submissive son

Gent, 13<sup>th</sup> April 1810.

*C Van Crombrughe*

I embrace François



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<sup>1</sup> Measure of area