## My dear Parents

I received for you a box of lace and 364 francs for which I gave a receipt; I will send you these things on the coach next Thursday unless I find another opportunity.

It is a pity that my business in Grammont did not go as quickly as I would have wished. God's will be done in everything! In any case the matter is not desperate. We will talk about it during the holidays. I would be happy to know how Jean's enterprise is going.

Farewell, dear Parents, I am very sincerely Your very humble and obedient son *C Van Crombrugghe* Alost, 15<sup>th</sup> July 1816

