

30th January 1825 (date indicated later by a confrère)

Mr Van Crombrughe-Spitaels in Grammont

Very dear Father and Mother

I am benefiting from the opportunity presented by Charles Spitaels to write you a few words. I hope to learn on his return that you continue to be well, that Rosalie is getting stronger and stronger and that François and all his numerous family are in good health. For myself I am healthy.

I am sending you four hundred francs ex gratia, not knowing the state of my account at home.

Please accept the expression of my respectful and sincere devotion

Your devoted and submissive son

C G Van Crombrughe

