

Malines 30th November 1810.

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My dear Nephew,

I have just received your letter of the 28th which was a surprise for me. I had been brought a small parcel and I was asked for 18 sous for carriage: I was able to feel that it contained a bound book, but not knowing where or who it came from, and having occasionally been misled by bad books sent to me and correctly labelled, I refused the parcel. I am sorry that I did, but everyone said I was right to do so; I did not think that the book was worth 18 sous. The Good Lord has tested us through this misunderstanding.

I found the binder with my little notebooks about which I wrote to you. I see also that my dear nephew Bernard is with the Trappists: I hope that the Good Lord will guide him and lead him in the right path.

I reiterate everything I wrote the day before yesterday and I ask you to remember me to my dear niece de Scheppere and to all the family in Ghent.

I have the honour of being, with esteem and affection,

My very dear nephew,

Your very humble servant,

JG Huleu