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Dear Ms. Schafer and Mr. Berger:

I so enjoyed meeting you at Victoria University last week.

David McTavish had told me of your collecting interests and I hope that one of these days you will be able to visit my gallery in Milwaukee. There are very good non-stop flights from Toronto to Milwaukee, and over Saturdays they are very inexpensive.

Isabel and I were the curators of A Detective's Eye exhibition, described in the catalogue I gave you. You may have noted that this was really modelled after an exhibition at the AGO.

When I asked David McTavish what paintings you might be most interested in, he was not quite certain but thought Italian. When I asked David what the best reasonably priced Italian painting he had seen recently at a dealer, he mentioned a fairly small Vanvitelli with Dr. Otto Naumann, whose address is 22 East 80th Street, New York, NY 10021.

It so happens that I know that painting and was impressed by its wonderful condition - it has never been lined - and that it can be traced unambiguously to a Neapolitan collector whose collection was sold in Paris in 1874.

Often Vanvitelli did very large city views, and I enclose a xerox of a reproduction of one which is coming up at Sotheby's in New York on January 30th. You will note that the estimate for the pair is between \$500,000-\$700,000.

Dr. Naumann's is a more modest subject, but the very intimacy of that view makes it very appealing. I think that Dr. Naumann is asking only about one-tenth of what Sotheby estimates the pair to bring.

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Dr. Naumann is particularly well-known for his great 17th century Dutch paintings but, surprisingly, he also has quite a few really fine Italian works.

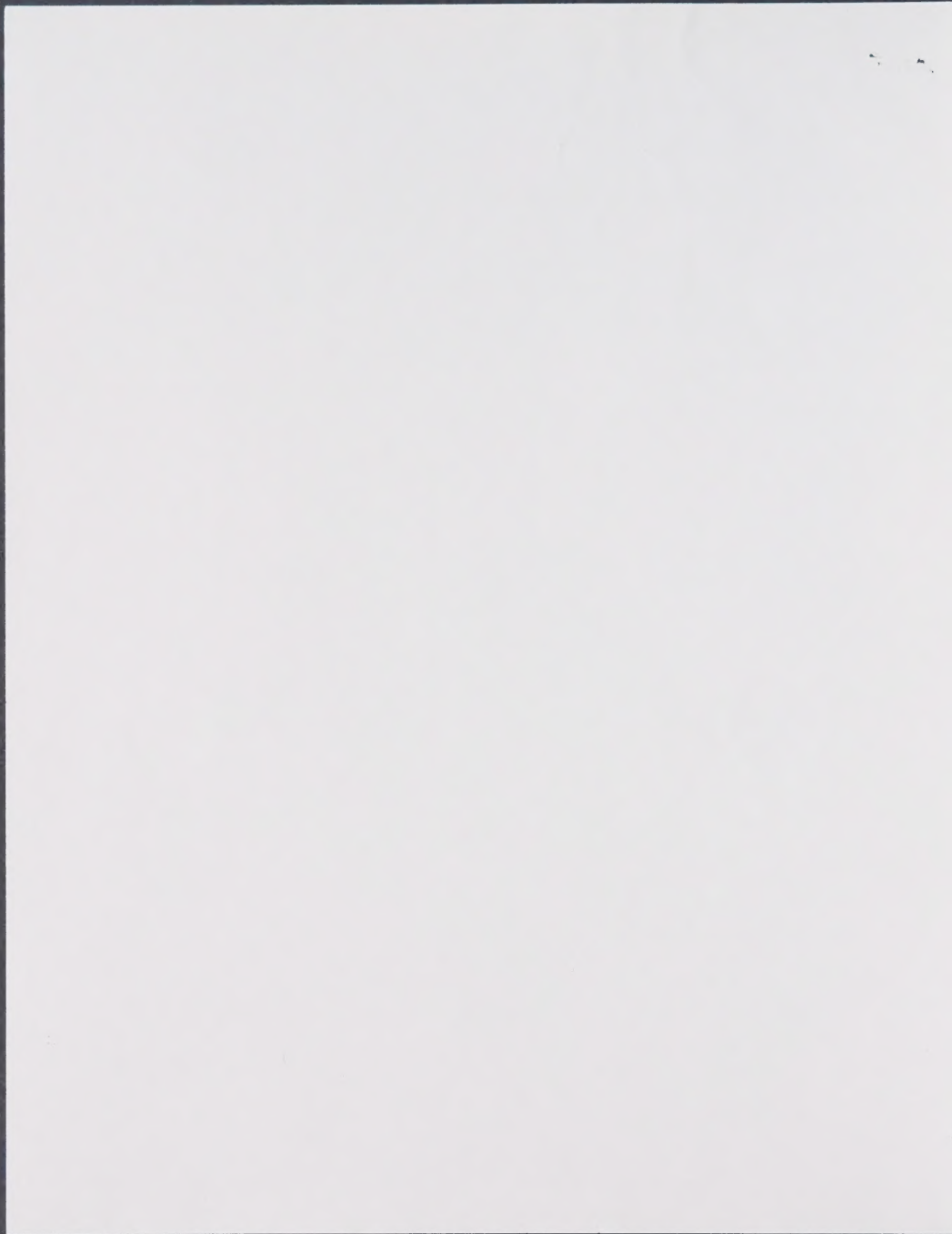
I do hope that we will meet again soon, both in Milwaukee and Toronto.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure





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To Otto

Husband & wife  
interested  
in Vanvitelli

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