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Dear Jan,
Thank you so much for your most welcome letter of August $30^{\text {th }}$.
To answer your letter first of all:
We would love to see you and your partner in Milwaukee in October. You probably know that the $9^{\text {th }}$ of October is the Day of Atonement, but the rest of the month, until October $25^{\text {th }}$, is pretty free. From the $26^{\text {th }}$ to the time we leave for England on November $2^{\text {nd }}$ we have a great many visitors. Thus, I very much hope that you will be able to come before October $25^{\text {th }}$.

Isabel and I plan to be in Holland from November $5^{\text {th }}$ to the $12^{\text {th }}$. Monday and Tuesday we will be at the Amsterdam auctions; on the $8^{\text {th }}$ and $9^{\text {th }}$ we plan to be in the Hague, on the $10^{\text {th }}$ in Utrecht and on the $11^{\text {th }}$ with Astrid and Christian Tümpel in Nymegen.

Could we have what I hope will become an annual dinner with our friends at the RKD on Wednesday evening, November $8^{\text {th }}$ ?

To turn now to the comments in your letter, I must make one correction: the painting by de Gyselaar of Joseph Explaining Pharoah's Dream does not belong to
me, but to a gallery, Alasraki in New York. I like the painting but consider the price of $\$ 40,000$ too high.

Regarding 2000-19, I do believe that that roundel is Dutch and not Italian. Of course you will be able to confirm this one way or the other when you look at the original.

Now allow me to send you some more photographs for your collection:
$2000-21$ is Bredius 261 of which I enclose photographs, x-ray and Bode's opinion. The small color photograph is a bit too garish.

You will see this during your visit and then I plan to take it to Holland, carefully guarding my briefcase. I would very much like to arrange for a wood analysis. Clearly if the tree was felled in 1680 it cannot be a Rembrandt, but might be a Fragonard. In any case, I like the painting very much indeed and so does my conservator, who told me that he has never worked on a $17^{\text {th }}$ century painting in such mint condition. Of course you will say to yourself, as I am, that I have never seen a Rembrandt sketch with such a completely dark background. This is the artist's work, not the conservator's.

2000-22 strikes me as a self-portrait of a late $17^{\text {th }}$ century artist, perhaps German. It is described as \#45B in The Detective's Eye. Dr. Ekkart will almost certainly know who painted this.

2000-23 is a straightforward, signed, de Witte where you almost certainly have all of the information in your files.

2000-24 is of one of my favorite subjects, Tobias. It was sold at Christie's in London some ten years ago as "circle of Andries Both" but surely it is not that. You will almost certainly know.

2000-25 is the beautiful Jacob's Dream that was sold as a copy at Christie's South Kensington, but I had to pay almost ten times the estimate because Professor Roethlisberger was bidding against me on the phone. It is of course the original version; the painting illustrated in Roethlisberger's book is a good workshop copy.

2000-26 requires no comments, as surely it is a straightforward B. G. Cuyp.
2000-27 really does require your help. This is a beautiful, large landscape sold to me by John Hoogsteder 17 years ago as a painting by Johan Hulsman. However, it certainly is not that but it bears a clear monogram and date - MCG 1670. I do not even know whether the painting is Flemish or French or perhaps even German. But the artist, MCG, must have painted other such paintings. I enclose a not very
good black/white photograph for your files and my only color transparency which I would like to ask you to return to me when you come in October. This is a wonderful puzzle which I hope you can solve.
$2000-28$ is Bredius 226. I may already have left you a photograph. This is one of the three paintings that was stolen from us in Amsterdam and found by that wonderful Boy Scout leader that very evening.

I do not think for a moment that this is Rembrandt, but do believe that this could be an early work by Carel Fabritius.

2000-29 is \#66 in The Bible Through Dutch Eyes. In the catalogue I suggested that it could be by Maerten de Cock, but since that exhibition the tiny signature M. de Cock, exactly as shown in Bernt, has been found.

2000-30 I may have given you a photograph and I now enclose a poster from a Mt. Holyoke College exhibition, as well as a description of the painting in the Burlington Magazine. I like the painting very much: is it by Jan de Bray?

Forgive me if I ask you the same questions more than once, but as I get older, my memory tends to fail.

2000-31 is illustrated in Sumowski as a Paulus de Lesire. Dr. Ekkart will be able to confirm or correct this.

2000-32 again presents no problems. It is illustrated by Sumowski and surely by de Poorter, of such a rare biblical subject, namely, The Amalekite Bringing Saul's Crown to David.

2000-33 also presents no problems; it is Jacob Looking For Laban, a painting by Moeyaert, accepted by Astrid Tumpel.

2000-34 also presents no problems; it is signed and dated Jan Pynas.
2000-35 also a problemless painting, it is St. Christopher by Poelenburgh, a painting that was in the great Elsheimer exhibition in Frankfurt.

2000-36 is another problemless painting, a Terbrugghen published by Nicolson.
2000-37 is a much more problematic Terbrugghen, of David and Goliath. The head of Goliath is very beautiful, the head of David has a good deal of restoration. You will have to have a careful look at that when you come.

2000-38 is a Jakob Pynas of Elijah. I like the painting very much, though unfortunately an angel coming down in the sky has been overpainted.

2000-39 is one of the first paintings I bought at auction, in Chicago in 1953, by Jacobus Vrel. The floor had been completely overpainted and this photograph is one taken after the recent conservation.

2000-40 is the last for today and one of the greatest puzzles. You can read the details in The Bible Through Dutch Eyes catalogue, \#63. Personally I think that the painting is Dutch, very influenced by the Flemish, but of course I am not certain. This is one single big plank. The color in the photograph is not very good, but you will soon see the original.

Well, Jan, here are another 20 photographs, some of which might not be in your files.

By now you know the catalogues of my collection and if there are any works in it of which you do not have photographs, please let me know.

We much look forward to seeing you, both in Milwaukee and then in the Hague.
With all good wishes I remain
Yours sincerely,


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It was very nice to see you and your wife last week in New York, and I am very happy you were able to buy that Willem de Poorter painting from Otto's friend. Fortunately the wheather changed at the end of the week as it was very very cold for some days.
As I told you I think I have a very fine painting for you, not only on the subject and condition, but also as a very high quality and in your price-range.
Although there is no redable signature it has some remains of a signature, but the painting is definite by the artist Johan Hulsman, a painter who comes in style right out of the Elsheimer school, painted in the Utrecht-Italianate style, but very special in colour and treatment. I had the pleasure of showing it to Pori. E.Haveman Begeman the day before I left.
'The price is D.fl. $28.000,--$ and I would appreciate to hear $f$ om you whether you are interested in the painting, so I can send it to New York if you want it.
Otherwise I would like you to send all photographs back to our adress in New York, 4, Hast 74th. Street, as Otto has not got the photographs yet.

So far I have not showed the painting to anybody, although I have enclosed la comparative painting recently sold in Germany.

With kindest regards from house to house,
as ever,


Encl: Colourslide Photograph. Detail. Comp.photograph.



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Dear Dr.Rader,
as I have no other address of yours and don't know where you are, I have to send this to the States. - The picture at Shackleton's is not, I think by Guercino, though it has, compositionally, Guercinesque
features. It may be Neapolitan, but no name occurred to me.
Also, the MCG painting has not yielded any artist's name in my mind. I was thinking at first of Jasper v.d.Lanen (ragis signed woodlandscape in Copenhngen), but of course the initials would not fit, nor the date, as $v . d . L a n e n ~ d i e d ~ c a .1620!~{ }^{1}$ s it possinle that it is not Flemish but German??

I am sure you will be disappointed in me at my lack of
information. But what can I do, if you produce such teasers?
It was good to see you both here, and I hope I'll still be around when you come next time. Whit happened to the'Dosso' ?

Kind regards to you both, and again many thanks for the dinner, though it seems ridiculous that YOU should invited me in my own town:


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