

to continue his course - nothing to do with - nothing
but to wait for your orders to proceed to the south - and if
you permit, I will return to Paris by the 1st.
to Biarritz till the 1st of August and then return
and at length get home. Don't be anxious. All is well
and my resolution of returning now is not off
to stop much to please the wife. Mrs. West will remain
all "till next week and has made every effort
possible till you returned from England.

My dear Sir, will you tell me where
and in what road we are to go
away & when we are to end our
Sojouran. th

Maison Blondel,

Route de Rouen,

Honfleur. France.

September 11. 1840.

Since we left Ghent (on the 19th May last) we have
been moving from City to City, and have at length taken up
our residence in this place for a season, principally on
account of its vicinity to the sea, in order to give my Son
William, who has been much out of health, the benefits of
sea bathing. - He has been with us some weeks, and I
am happy to say, that he is considerably better than he
was when he arrived here. This part of Normandy
displays a very fine Country, and we are much delighted
with it. Our situation, which is nearly at the mouth of
the Seine, is remarkable for its beauty and salubrity; and I
am sure you would admire and enjoy it.

We have visited Lille, Arras, Amiens, Rouen and
other places of lesser note, in our various routes, and seen
the principal curiosities they offer for inspection, of all of
which, the Cathedrals of Amiens, and Rouen are
prominent for grandeur and beauty. - The Cathedral

of Amiens is indeed a magnificent structure of pure Gothic; - that of Rouen is also very fine; but more sombre: being entirely of Norman Architecture.

Mrs Wright and my Daughters Emma, Fanny, and Maria, are, I am happy to say, all in the enjoyment of excellent health, which I think you will be gratified to hear.

We are all very anxious to know whether you have obtained the Gold medal from the Society of Beaux Arts at Antwerp for your Poem, and how your Vaudeville "The Humanees of Rubens" was received by the Antwerpers on the occasion of the late Fete. We read the accounts of the Fete in the Public Newspapers, but have looked in vain for the result of your labors; for which we have, I assure you, felt very anxious; knowing, from the uncertainty of public taste, that the success may be deserved, it cannot always be commanded. Highly appreciating, as we all do, your varied talents, we trust that your exertions to gratify the public feeling, on the interesting occasion, have met their merited reward; and I may be permitted to add, that from "past recollections" we shall always be happy to hear of your success.

Mrs Wright and my Daughters unite with me in best wishes, for your health and happiness.

I remain, affably, &c.

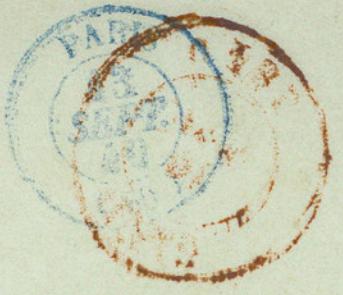
My dear Sir, is mine

Yours most sincerely,

W^m Wright

Mons^r P. Van Duyse,

Gand.



à Monsieur
Monsieur P. Van Duyse,
Archiviste
Gand,
Belgique.

