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***l'autographe***!  
que j'aurai l'honneur de vous  
monseigneur, et de vous  
Genève  
le donne au 6 de Septembre 1771  
quelqu'un qui pense y résider, et  
épater ce qu'il a de fraude  
faire, n'y en querre.. vous me direz  
à quelle personne avis avec ces papiers  
louons, car de toute sorte il me déteint  
mes armois seront délici.

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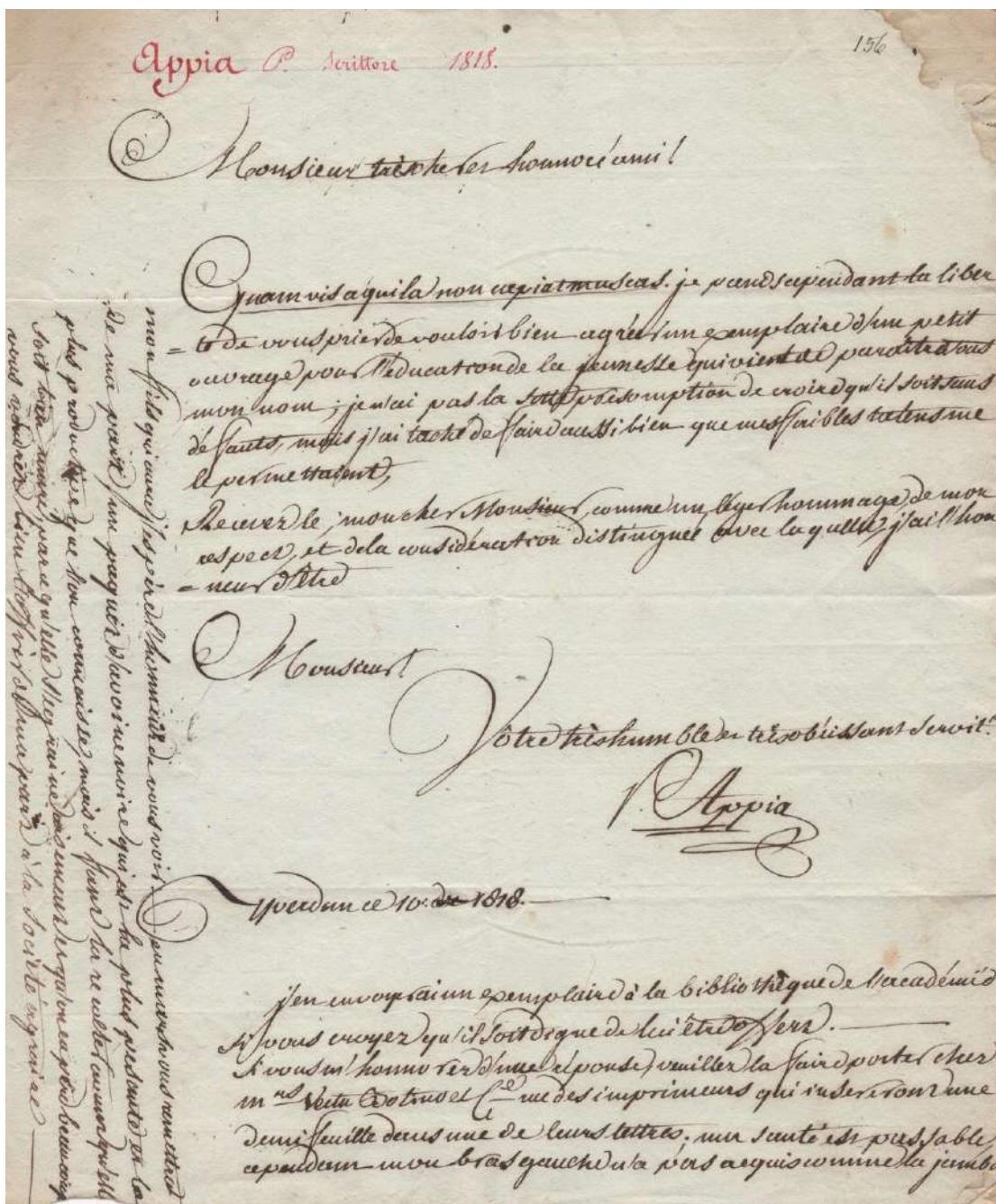
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# Important autographs and manuscripts French history, helvetica and other rarities

**1. Paul Jean Daniel Appia** (Bobbio Pellice 1750 - Romainmôïiers 1826) Switzerland  
Autograph letter signed, dated Yverdon ce 10 X 1818 by the Italian-Swiss judge and writer. Appia addresses a gentleman: "...Je prends cependant la liberté de vous prier de vouloir bien agréer un exemplaire d'un petit ouvrage pour l'éducation de les jeunesse...". 1 p. In-4. Humidity spots at the upper right margin. Included: autograph invitation signed, dated 21 de Mars 1896 by François Morel, officer for the city of Lausanne, to assist to the reading of the testament of "Ester De Monthey dit Taverney". € 240

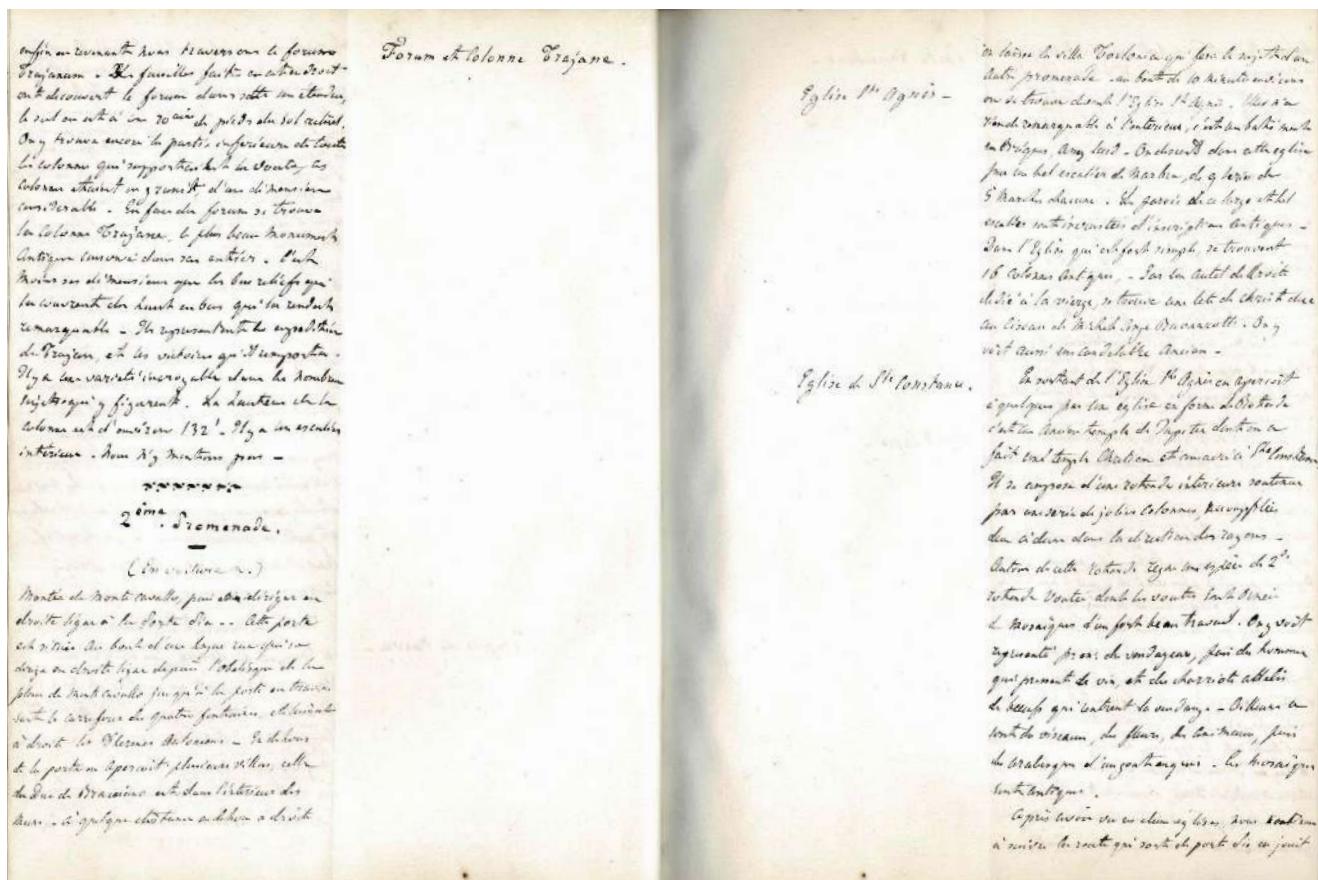


**2. Jean-Louis Aubert** (Turin 1813 - Genève 1888)

## *Switzerland*

Precious autograph manuscript bound in full dark green morocco, dated 1847/1848 between Geneva and Rome by the Swiss officer, collaborator of General Dufour. The future Colonel Aubert gathers his memories and impressions during the trip he undertook in Italy during the winter of 1847-1848. After two pages of notes on Pisa and Florence (with a list of the personalities met : Prince Corsini, Marco Minghetti, the painters François Louis Français and Evert van Muyden, the Duke of Montholon, etc.), Aubert describes in four "Promenades" the fruit of his visits to Rome as a tourist. The most important part, however, is the manuscript of about 47 pages dedicated to the political-military aspects of his trip. In fact, seven chapters carefully written in tiny handwriting and titled "*1ère (2e,...7e) Lettre*", reveal to us the situation in which, a few months before the beginning of the first War of Independence, the States of the Church as well as those of the rest of Italy, their respective armies, etc., found themselves. On December 28, 1847, Aubert wondered in his "1st Letter" if it was really prudent to entrust "...à la poste des lettres dans lesquelles on traite de sujets politiques; le Cabinet noir est dit-on une branche essentielle de la police... Néanmoins je m'en vais jeter sur le papier quelques unes des observations que j'ai pu cueillir... et si je trouve une occasion de vous les faire parvenir, je vous les enverrai, sinon je les garderai comme notes...de mon voyage...". The manuscript ends with the "*7e Lettre*", datée de Turin au "*printemps 1848*" where a first allusion is made to the Italian Unity. The officer is aware that in a moment "...comme celui-ci il est impossible de rien prévoir, mais à en juger par ce qui s'est passé en Europe depuis deux mois, plus les prévisions sont extraordinaires, plus elles ont de chances d'être vérifiées...".

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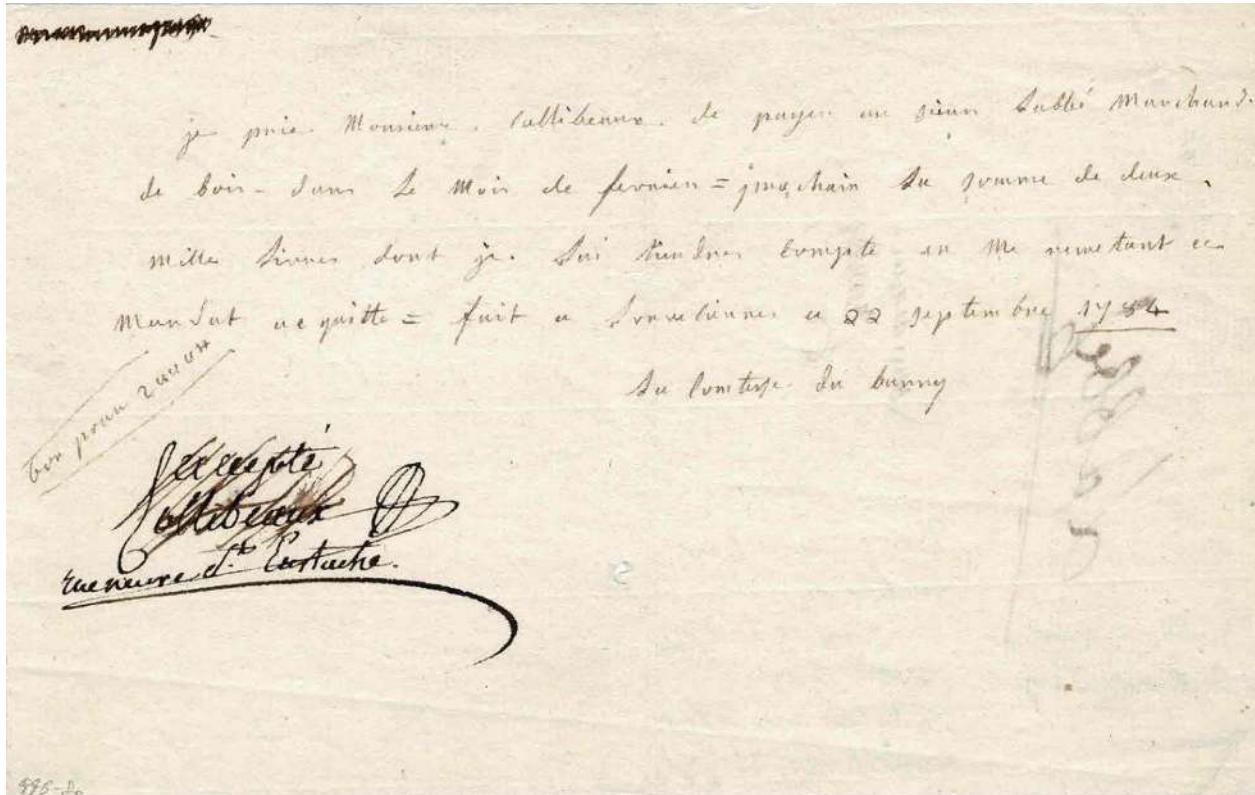


**3. Marie-Jeanne Bécu Countess du Barry** (Vaucouleurs 1743 - Paris 1793)

*Louis XV*

Autograph receipt with signature, dated "ce 22 septembre 1784" of the Countess du Barry, last favorite of King Louis XV. The countess asks a gentleman to "...payer au sieur l'Abbé Marchand de bois - dans le mois de février prochain la somme de deux mille livre...". 1 p. In-8. An original lithograph with portrait and biographical information is attached.

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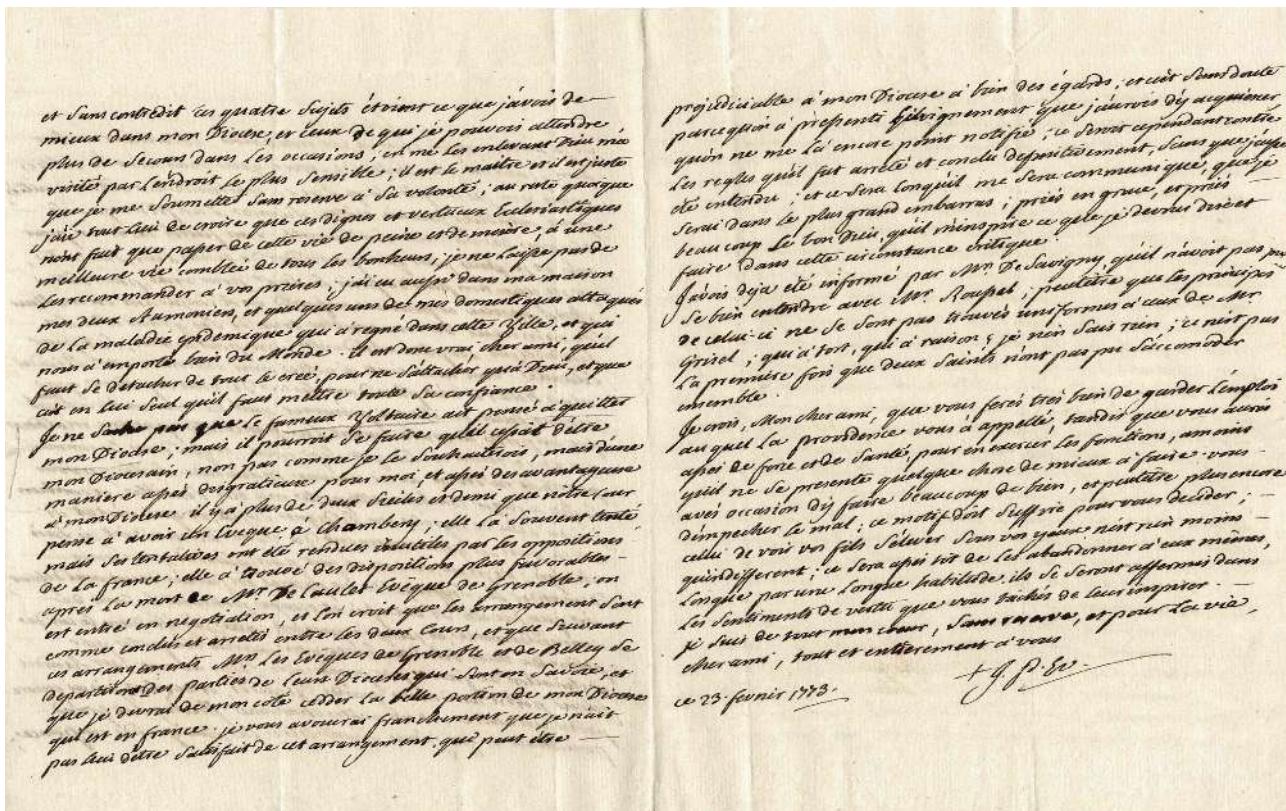


**4. Jean-Pierre Biord** (Châtillon-sur-Cluses 1719 - 1785)

Switzerland - Voltaire

Autograph letter signed and dated Annecy, 23.II.1773 by the prince bishop of Geneva from 1764, fervent opponent of Voltaire. "...Vous avez écrit à notre ami commun, M. Riondel; mais hélas, il n'est plus dans le cas de vous répondre que devant Dieu..." writes Biord who thought he had been forgotten by his correspondent, and to whom he recalls in this long letter, other disappearances that have affected him. Then, further on, he admits not to have known: "...que le fameux Voltaire ait pensé à quitter mon Diocèse; mais il pourroit se faire qu'il cessât d'être mon diocésain, non pas comme je le souhaiterois...", but for reasons of religious policy which the bishop of Geneva explains here clearly enough. To appreciate the true value of the always very disparaging relations between Biord and Voltaire, let us recall what the latter wrote to d'Hornoy in his letter of February 1772: "...un polisson d'évêque in partibus sabandianis...", Biord being forced to reside in Annecy because the Genevans did not want a Catholic bishop on their territory. 3 pp. In-4.

€ 600



**5. Isabelle-Marie de Bragance** (Lisbonne, 1801 - ib., 1876)

Brazil

Letter signd "Princeza Imperial Regente", daté "no Palacio do Rio de Janeiro em 20 de Julho 1871" by the Infanta of Portugal, Regent of the country for two years. Letter of thanks to Cardinal Vannicelli for the Christmas wishes. 1 p. In-folio.

€ 500

Ilustríssimo e Reverendíssimo em Christo Padre Cardeal  
Vannicelli, Meu como Smae muito Prgado. Eu, Dona  
Isabel, Princeza Imperial Herdeira Resumptiva da  
Coroa Regente em nome da Sua Magestade o Senhor  
Dom Pedro II, Imperador Constitucional e Defensor  
da Paz, de Parati R. V. Envio muito Saudar, como  
a quem muito prezo. As congratulações que dirigiste ao  
Imperador e à Imperatriz por occasiao do Santissimo  
Natal proximo passado, são um testemunho authentico  
do teu interesse pelas Pessoas da Sua Magestades  
Imperiaes. Ogradecendo-te cordialmente por parte  
de meu Augusto País, este obsequio, a que que  
terei sempre a feito manifestar-Vo. o apreço em que  
tenho a Rosa Peso. Ilustríssimo e Reverendíssimo  
em Christo Padre Cardeal Vannicelli, Meu como  
Smae muito Prgado, Nosto Senhor Vos Peço em Sua  
Santa Guarda. Escrita no Palacio do Rio de  
Janeiro em 20 de julho de 1871.

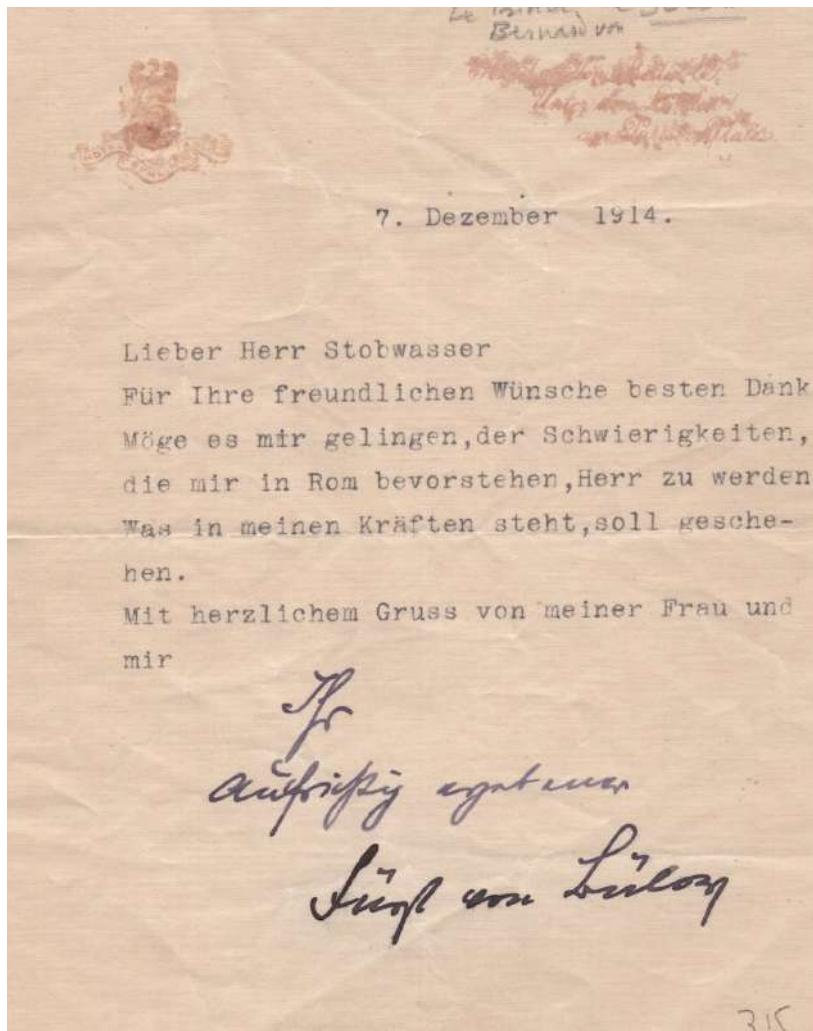
P<sup>r</sup> Princeza Imperial Regente

**6. Bernhard von Bülow** (Hamburg, 1849 - Rome, 1929)

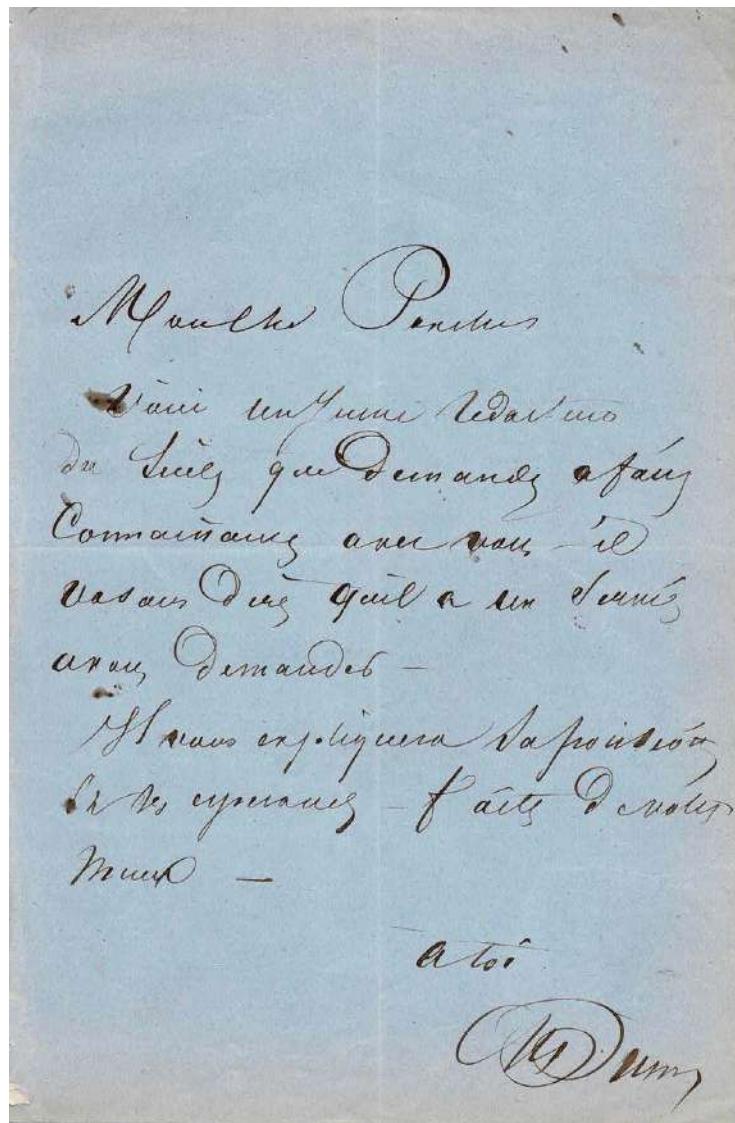
*German Empire*

Typed letter with autograph lines and signature, dated *7 Dezember 1914* by the German statesman, foreign minister and chancellor of the German Empire from 1900 to 1909. While in Rome, Von Bülow addresses the German Vice-Admiral in the Navy **Hans Herbert Stobwasser** (1885-1946): "...Möge es mir gelingen, der Schwierigkeiten die mir in Rom bevorstehen, Herr zu werden. Was in meinen Kräften steht, soll geschehen...". 1 p. In-8. With letterhead.

€ 180



**7. Alexandre Dumas, père** (Villers-Cotterêts, 1802 - Seine-Maritime, 1870) ...un jeune rédacteur du Siècle  
Autograph letter signed, not dated, by the celebrated French writer. Dumas addresses the theatrical  
agent Jean-Baptiste Porcher (1792-1864): "...l'ami, un jeune rédacteur du siècle qui demande à faire connaissance  
avec vous. Il va sans dire qu'il a un service à vous demander. Il vous expliquera sa position, et ses espérances...". 1 p.  
In-8. € 250

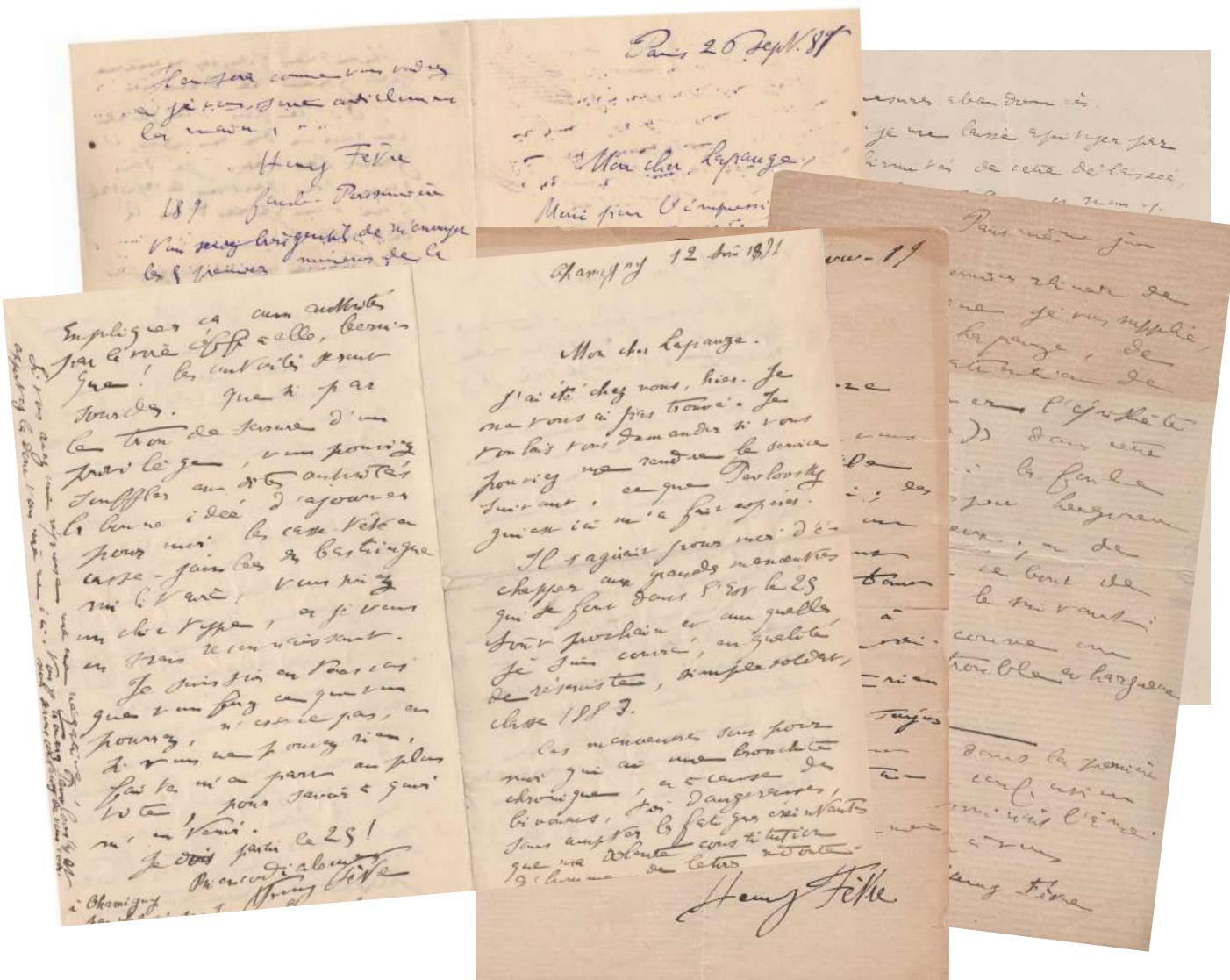


**8. Henry Fèvre** (Chaumont, 1864 - Riaucourt, 1937)

Anarchist literature

Lot of 13 autograph documents (12 autograph letters signed, 1 autograph document) dated between 1888 and 1902 by the French novelist, dramatist and art critic. He was a friend of Lucien Descaves and was in close contact with the anarchist Jean Grave. His 1897 anarchist novel "Galafieu" received the Prix des méconnus in 1924 and was reissued in 2009. Addressed to the art critic **Henry Lapauze** (1867-1925) and other gentlemen, mostly dealing about literary matters and his novel "Les Beaux mariages" (1902). For a total of 23 pp. In-8 and on visiting card.

€ 300



**9. Charles IX of France** (Saint-Germain-en-Laye, 1550 - Château de Vincennes, 1574) *De Myrabel*  
Document signed "Charles", dated "à Boulogne" 1.VII 1568, by the King of France dès 1560. "Charles par la grace de Dieu Roy de France" order his "...feal conseiller et tresorier de n.re espargne, Ms. Raoul Moreau..." to pay "...N.re cher et bien aimé le Sr. de Myrabel, Fran<sup>c</sup>ois de Lodun...la somme de douze cens Livres... pour lui ayder a supporter les frais et despences qu'il a esté contraint faire ceste occasion...". Counter signed by his minister Dubois. 1 p. In-folio. obl. on vellum. € 1500

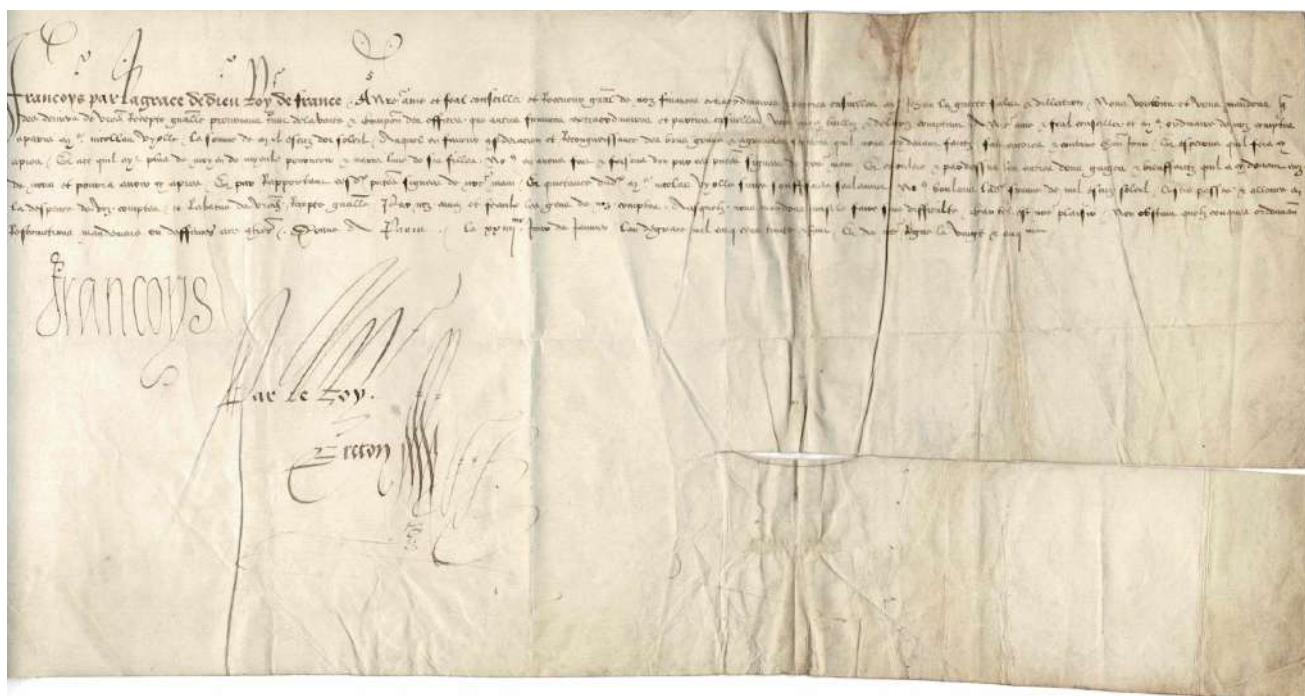


**10. Francis I of France** (Château de Cognac, 1494 - Château de Rambouillet, 1547)

Jean Breton

Document signed “*Françoy*” dated Paris, 24.I.1538 by the King of France from 1515 (secretary). “*François par la grace de Dieu Roy de France...*” order his “...feal conseiller et Receveur g.al de nos finances extraordinaires et parties casuelles Ms. Jehan La Guecté...” to pay to Nicolas Vyelle, of Paris, “...la somme de mil escus d'or soleil... en faveur consideration et Recongoissance des bons, grans et agreeables services qu'il nous cy devant faict...”. Son of Charles de Valois and Louise de Savoie, he married Claude de France, daughter of Louis XII, whom he succeeded. A fierce opponent of Charles V, he was one of the great introducers of the Italian Renaissance in France. It is likely that the king's signature is, as usual, in the hand of his secretary: only letters addressed to other sovereigns, princes or dignitaries of very high rank sometimes bear a truly autograph signature of Francis I. However, the royal handwriting can also be found on documents ordering payments or ratifying accounts; this is why documents of the kind presented here are nevertheless much appreciated. 1 p. In-folio obl. on vellum. The document is countersigned by his famous secretary of state and finance **Jean Breton** (1490-1542).

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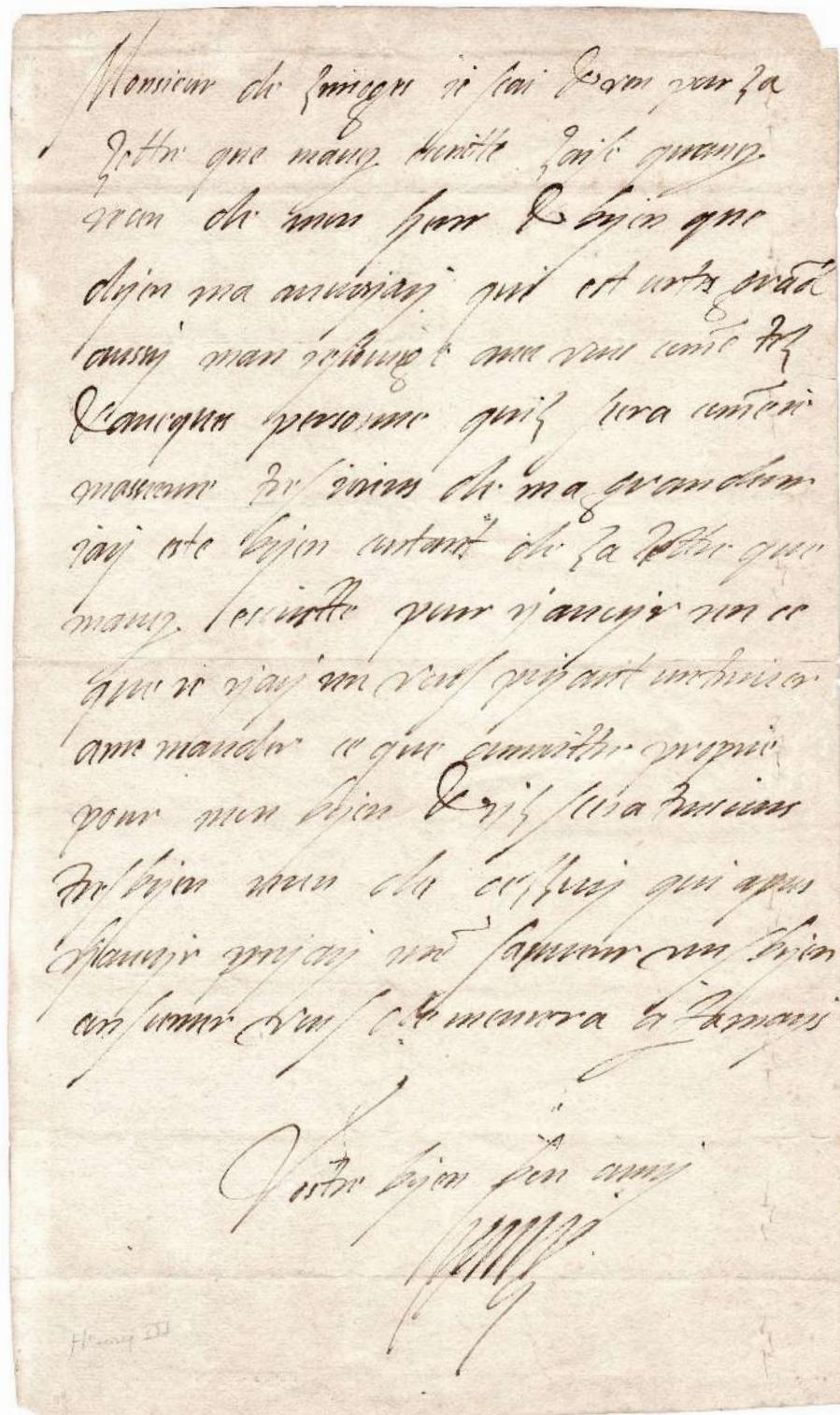


**11. Henry III of France** (Fontainebleau, 1551 - Saint-Cloud, 1589)

*Sébastien de l'Aubespine*

Important autograph letter on political subject, signed "Henry", not dated [1574/1575], by the king of France from 1574 and king of Poland from 1573 to 1575. Addressed to "Monsieur de Limoges", the bishop and diplomat **Sébastien de l'Aubespine** (1518-1582), "informateur" of the King: "...Je sçai et vois par la lettre que m'avez escritte l'aise qu'avez receu de mon [bon]heur et byen que Dyeu m'a anvoay, qui est certes grand, aussy m'an resjouige...". Henry says he appreciated the bishop's message "...pour y avoir vu ce que je y ay vu, vous pryant continuer à me mander ce que connaît, propre pour mon byen et il sera tousjors très byen venu de celluy qui a pus le savoysr....". 1 p. In-folio. Autograph address at the verso.

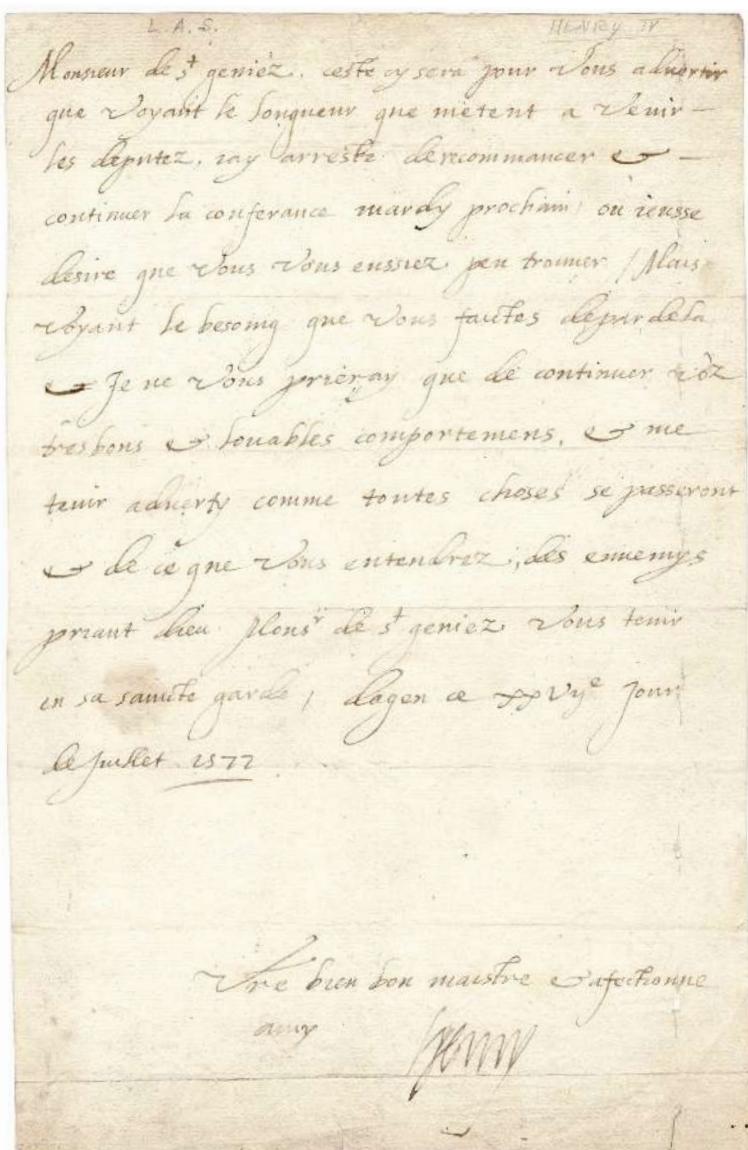
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**12. Henry IV of France** (Pau, 1553 - Paris, 1610)*Louis Berthier, Seigneur de Saint-Geniez*

Autograph letter signed, dated Agen, 27.VII.1577 by the king of Navarre since 1572, then of France since 1589 after the assassination of Henri III, son of Antoine de Bourbon and Jeanne d'Albret, queen of Navarre, raised by his mother in the Protestantism. During his reign, he made a spectacular financial and economic recovery. He was assassinated by François Ravaillac in Paris on May 14, 1610. Written personally by the future king of France to one of his closest collaborators, the Toulousan **Louis Berthier, Seigneur de Saint-Geniez**, this letter is situated at the very crucial moment of the negotiations which preceded the signature of the **peace of Bergerac**, followed by the **edict of Pacification** (Poitiers, sept, 1577). "...voyant la longueur que mettent à venir les députés, j'ai arrêté de recommander et continuer la conférence (avec les envoyés des Catholiques) mardi prochain, où j'aurai désiré que vous nous eussiez pu trouver...". Henri de Bourbon will accommodate the absence of his correspondent during negotiations, "...voyant le besoing que vous faites de par dela..." ; he invites to persevere in the agreed directions, wishing to be held "...advertis comme toutes choses se passeront et de ce que vous entendez des ennemis...". The sixth civil war, in six months of hostilities, had been fatal to the Huguenots. King Henry III of France sent Biron and Villeroy to the King of Navarre, charged with making honorable proposals to that prince. The edict of pacification of Poitiers was followed by the signature, in Bergerac (17.IX.1577), of 48 secret articles which concerned mainly the exercise of the reformed worship, the validity of the marriage of the priests and the monks, the creation of half-parties Chambers, etc. The entirely autograph letters of Henri IV dating from the period of the wars of religion are very rare. 1 p. In-4. Autograph address at the verso.

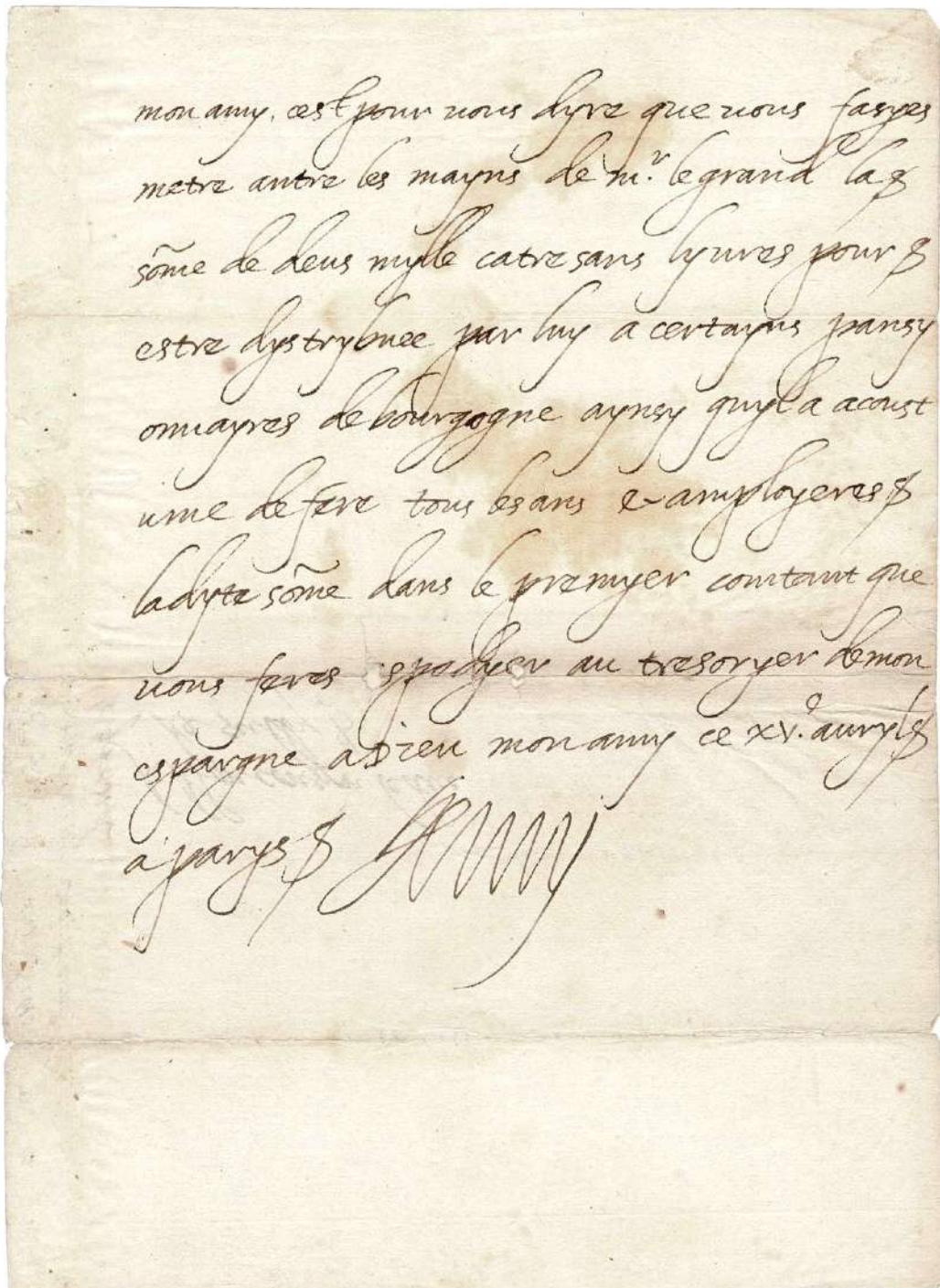
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**13. Henry IV of France** (Pau, 1553 - Paris, 1610)

*Maximilien de Béthune, duke of Sully*

Autograph letter signed, dated Paris (15.IV.1610) by the king of France since 1589. One month before his assassination, Henri wrote to his famous minister of Finance Maximilien de Béthune, duke of Sully (1559-1641): "...Mon ami, c'est pour vous dire que vous fassiez mettre entre les mayns de M. Legrand la somme de 2400 livres pour être distribuée par lui à certains pensionnaires de Bourgogne ainsi qu'il a accoutumé de faire tous les ans...". At the verso, the Duke of Sully notes in his hand: "Le Roy, du 25 Avril 1610, pour bailler 2400 tt à M. Le Grand". Autograph letters from Henry IV as king of France are very rare.  $\frac{3}{4}$  p. In-4. € 2200

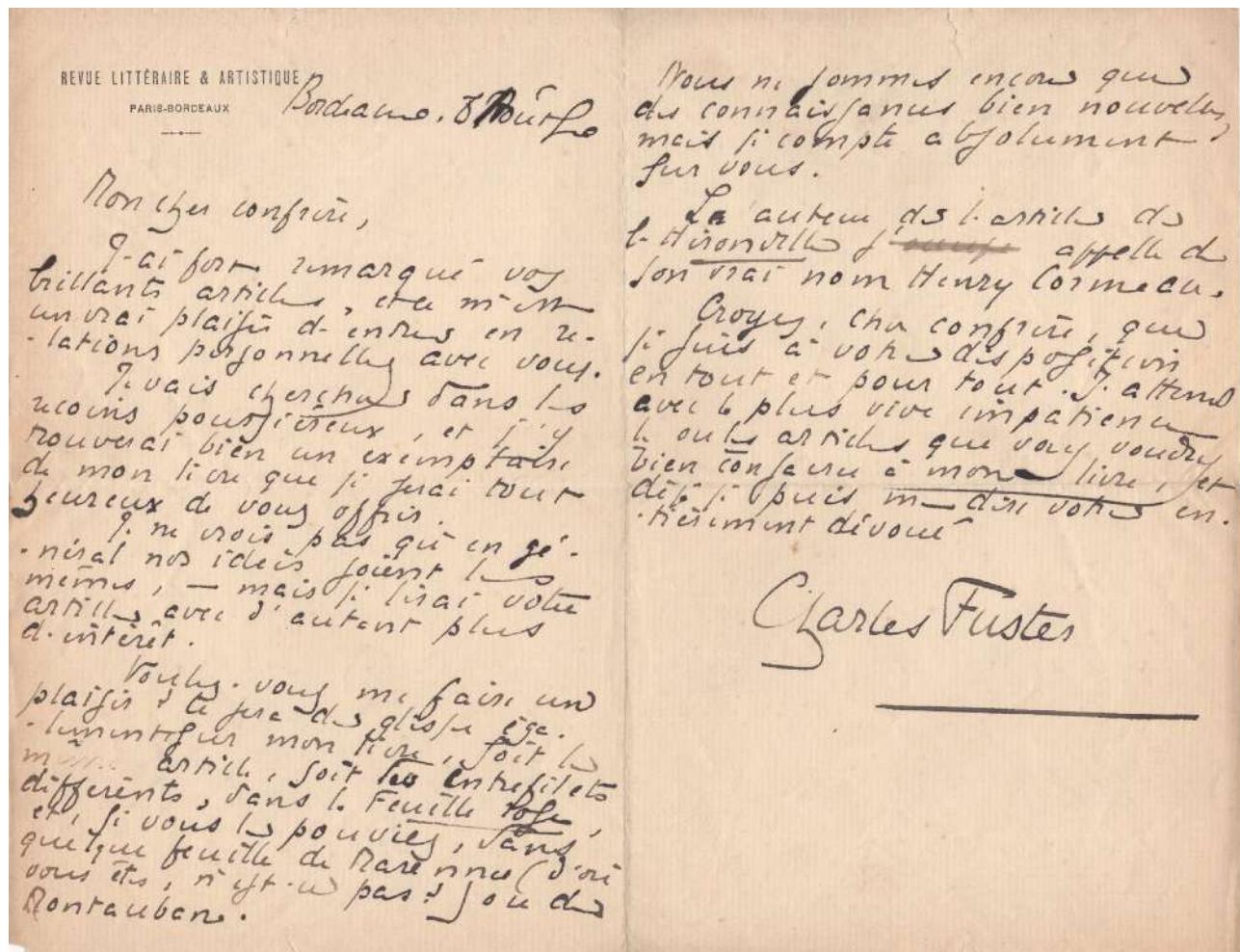


**14. Charles Fuster** (Yverdon, 1866 - Nanterre, 1929)

*Switzerland*

Lot of 5 autograph letters signed, dated from 1886 by the Swiss poet, novelist and literary critic. Most of the letters are addressed to the art critic **Henry Lapauze** (1867-1925) on literary magazines articles. For a total of 7 pp. In-8 and on postcard.

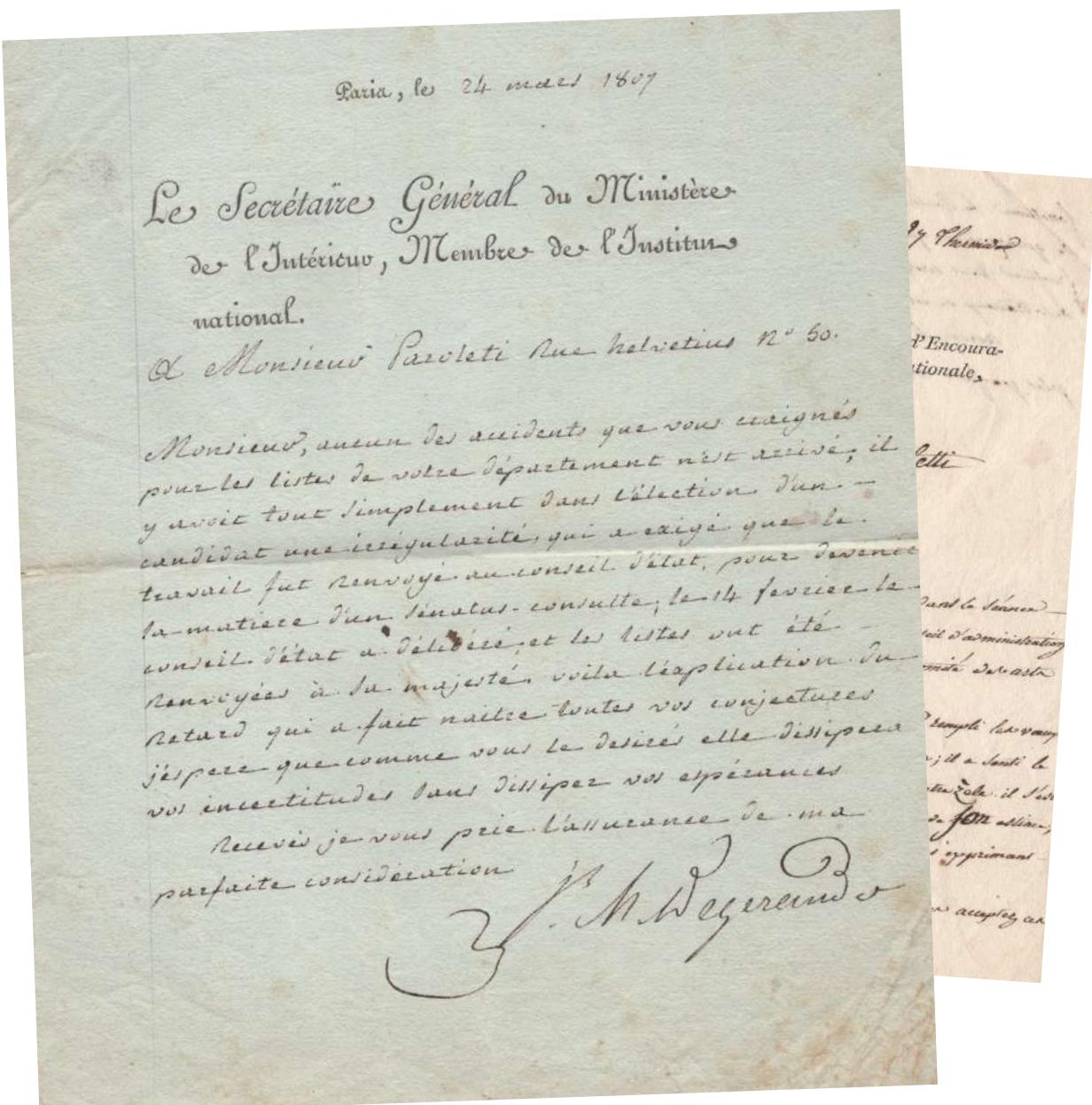
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**15. Joseph-Marie de Gérando** (Lyon, 1772 - Paris, 1842)

*Anthropologie*

Two letters signed (one completely autograph) by the French jurist, philanthropist and philosopher addressed to the jurist **Victor-Modeste Paroletti** (1767-1834), secretary in 1799 of the Republican temporary government in Turin deputy of the Po department. **A.** Paris, le 27 Thermidor. "...J'ai l'honneur de vous prévenir que, dans la séance d'hier soir, vous avez été adjoint au Conseil d'administration de la société d'encouragement, pour le comité des arts chimiques...". 1 p. In-8. With letterhead. **B.** Paris, le 24 Mars 1807. By hand of secretary. "...Monsieur, aucun des accidents que vous craignez pour les listes de votre département n'est arrivé, il y avait tout simplement dans l'élection d'un candidat une irrégularité, qui a exigé que le travail fut renvoyé au conseil d'état, pour devenir la matière d'un Sénatus-consulte...". 1 p. With letterhead. € 150



## 16. Léon Godinet (Chaumont 1804)

Switzerland

Very interesting autograph letter signed "Léon Godinet", dated January 1, 1821, by a young Frenchman who had emigrated to Switzerland and was working in Geneva as an artisan jeweler. In this missive, beginning with wishes of happiness intended for his uncle Clément Fr. Godinet, "Juge de paix à Chaumont en Bassigny" (Haute-Marne), the young apprentice who, through his work, will make a fortune in the city at the end of the lake, tells of a tragic event that took place near his home and impressed him: "...Il vient d'avoir lieu dans Genève un terrible assassinat. L'on a tué un homme avec sa servante qui dit-on s'est beaucoup défendue et qui auroit tué un de mœurs du crime si elle eut eu un couteau pointu. On lui a trouvé dans les mains une poignée de cheveux d'un des individus. Enfin tant de coups [sur] elle l'ont fait expirer. Le monsieur n'a pas eu le temps de se défendre parce qu'il a été pris en traitre. On lui a enfoncé un coup de poignard dans le crane. L'on a déjà pris deux des mœurs de cet assassinat, l'un est à Genève et l'autre est à Gex où l'on instruit sa procédure...". Puis, il ajoute un autre curieux fait divers survenu dans la même ville: "...il y a aussi quelque temps... l'on a tué à Genève dans un engarre un éléphant qui avoit déjà fait du mal à son conducteur et à sa maîtresse. L'on l'a disséqué et l'on en a tiré le squelette...". The murder of a bourgeois and his maid in Plainpalais, savagely massacred at mealtime by thieves who left them "in a pool of blood", had caused a great stir in Geneva. The culprits of the death of Sieur Corboz and his maid were however very quickly arrested, judged and sentenced to death, a sentence executed on March 9, 1821, barely four months after the facts. It should be noted that Léon Godinet became a rich businessman in Geneva where he had two sons, René Frédéric (1838-1866) who became an officer in the French army and was killed in a battle in Mexico, and Victor-Auguste (1853-1936), who became rich in the electro-gas industry between Switzerland and France at the head of the Société grenobloise de Force et Lumière and of the Société de Transport d'Energie des Alpes, distinguished himself as a yachtsman, keen on naval architecture, and left his name to a tonnage measurement system, the Godinet gauge, adopted in 1892 by the Société Nautique de Genève. In addition, he won a silver medal at the 1900 Summer Olympics. 3 pp. In-4. Address at the fourth page. Lower right corner trimmed with loss of a few words and small lack under the red wax seal.

€ 500

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Bien Votre de nouveau à Genève  
pour le moment.

Maman vous souhaitez ainsi qu'à ma  
tante une bonne année elle souffre et aille  
de la tête depuis plus d'une semaine...

Vous priez donc mes respects à ma tante que  
vous embrasserez de ma part ainsi que mon  
frère et moi.

Je n'ai pas le temps de vous écrire plus  
longuement. Je finirai en vous embrassant de tout  
mon cœur et je vous remercie de votre  
bonne réponse, je vous assure de  
tout mon cœur L. Godinet

Mon cher cousin et ami

Je profite de la place qu'il me reste, pour  
te demander des nouvelles de ton frère et  
de celle de ton frère, pour renouveler l'expression  
de ma grande amitié, car quelque  
l'on a de plus cher que un ami à qui l'on  
peut confier ses peines et ses émotions, par  
coulleur que ce soit au point à te confier  
mais tu leur viendras, on pourra peut-être  
bien besoin de tes conseils à ta connaissance  
c'est moi plus souvent, lorsque que  
je ne t'écrive pas, car j'ai de plus grande  
occupation que toi. Je souhaite aussi  
une bonne année ainsi qu'en sera concrètement  
étaté pour.

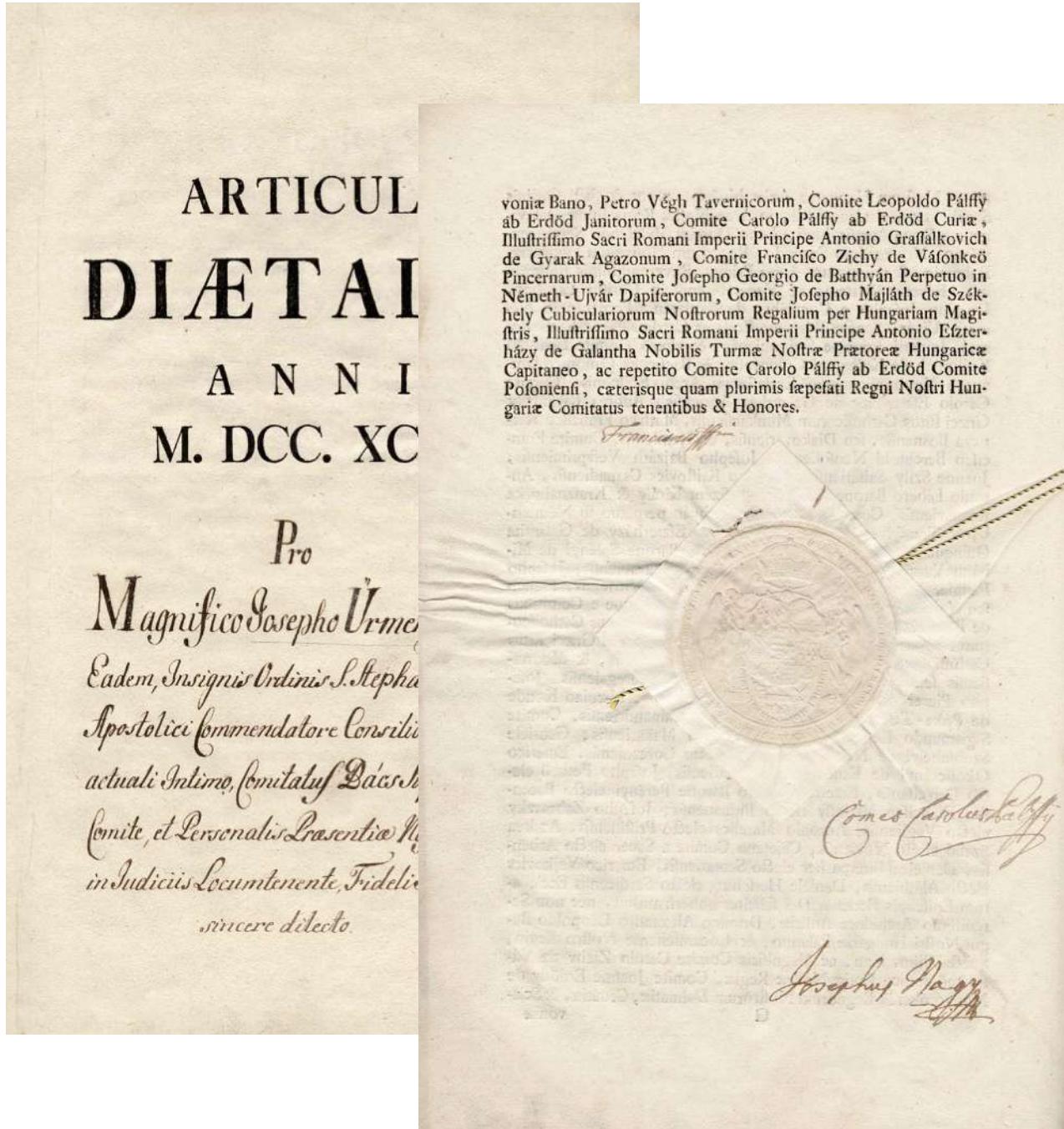
Je finirai en t'embrassant et suis pour  
ta... un ami bon et

**17. Francis II of Habsburg-Lorraine** (Florence, 1768 - Vienna, 1835)

*Hungarian Diet 1792*

Precious original printed copy, dated Buda 26.VI.1792, with autograph signature "Franciscus", concerning the convocation of the Hungarian Diet by the last Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire shortly before his election to emperor (12.VIII.1792). "Articuli Diaetales Anni M.DCC.XCII." giving the agenda of the works of the Assembly of the Hungarian nobles. Personal copy of the Lieutenant for legal affairs, Joseph Urményi, countersigned by Count Charles Pálffy of Erdőd, chancellor of the kingdom. 25 pp. In-folio. Large and beautiful stamp under paper of the kingdom of Hungary. Period binding (leather slightly faded).

€ 3000

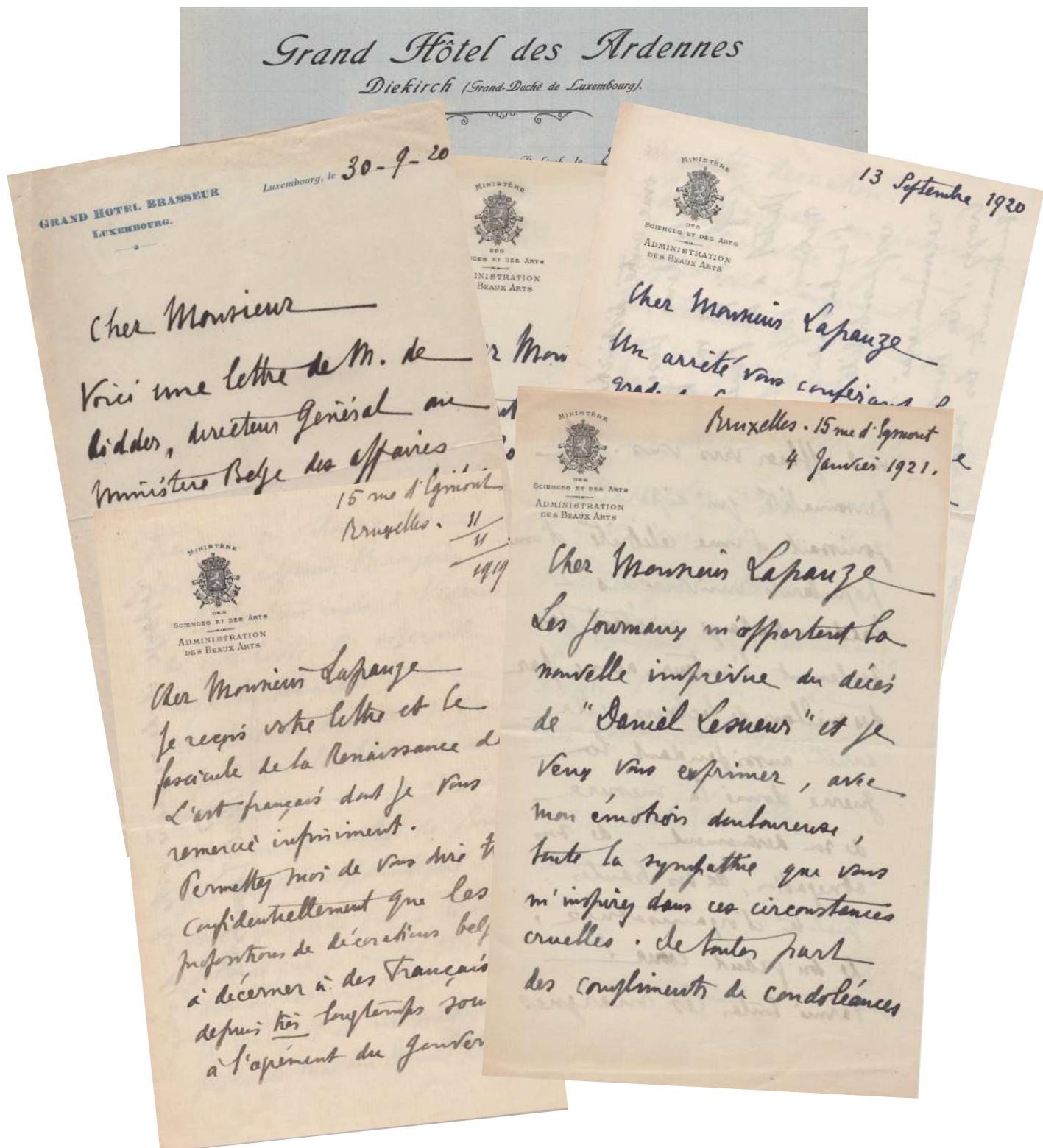


**18. Paul Lambotte** (Liege 1862-1939)

Flemish painting

Lot of 6 autograph letters signed, dated between 1920-1921 by the Belgian Art historian and Director of Fine Arts and Government Commissioner for Exhibitions in Belgium. Most of the letters are addressed to the art critic Henry Lapauze (1867-1925) and deal about artistic, literary and bureaucratic matters. For a total of 12 pp. In-8 and in-4. With letterheads.

€ 180

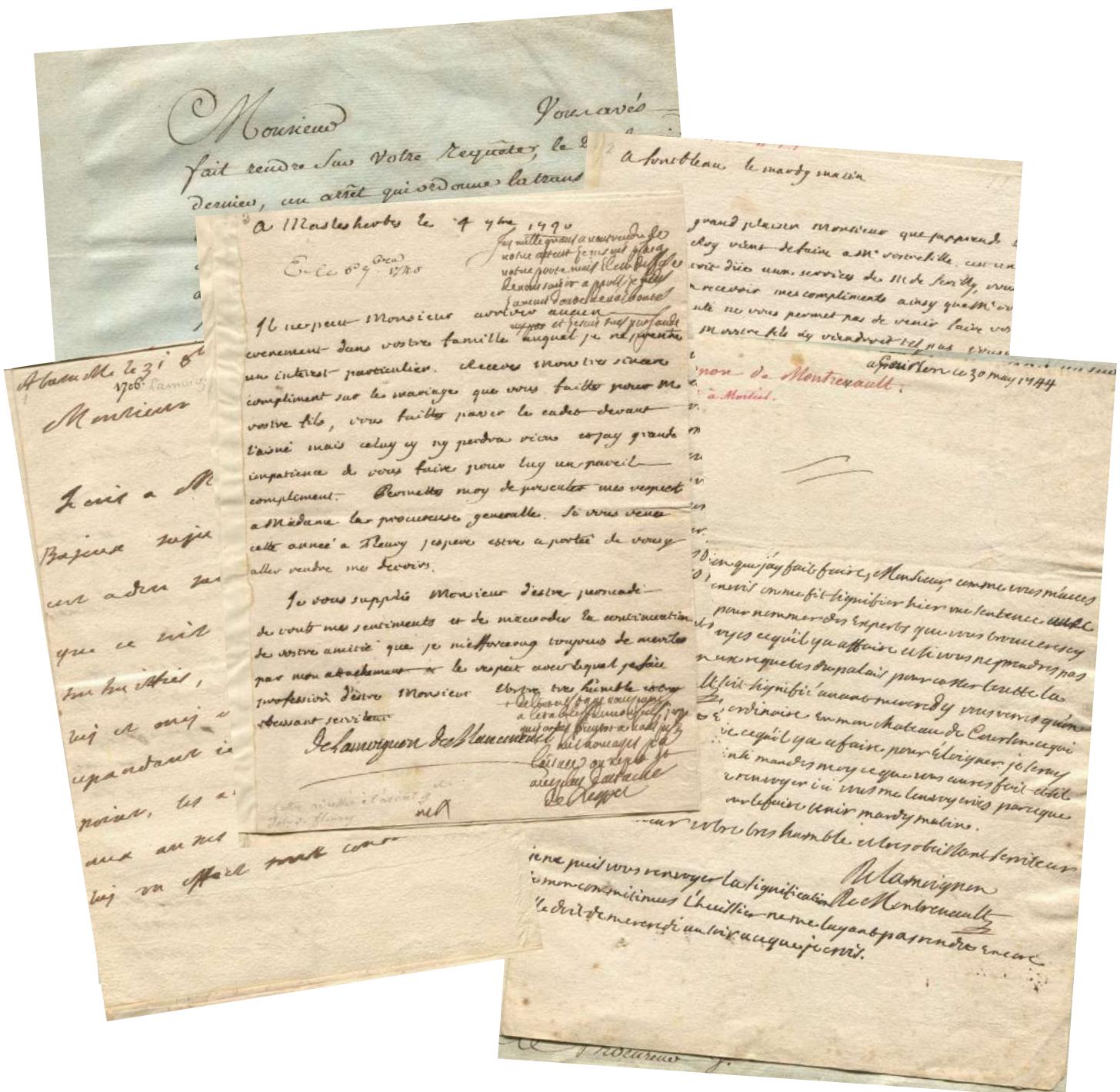


## **19. Chrétien-François I de Lamoignon (Paris 1644 - ib. 1709)**

## *Parliament of Paris*

Lot of four letters signed, dated between 1706 to 1788, respectively by the French lawyer, President à Mortier of the Parliament of Paris (1690-1707) **Chrétien-François I de Lamoignon** (1644-1709), his son **Guillaume de Lamoignon de Blancmesnil** (1683-1772), **Guillaume Lamoignon de Montrevault** (1697-1774), the President à Mortier in 1758, Keeper of the Seals in 1787-1788 **Chrétien-François II de Lamoignon** (1735-1789). For a total of 6 pp. In-4, in-8 and in-16. All letters are pasted into a folder of previous collection. € 300

€ 300



**20. Claude Jacques Lecourbe** (Besançon, 1759 - Belfort, 1815)

Cent-Jours

Autograph letter signed, dated Alkirk, 9.VI.1815 by the French general, who served in the Helvetian army in 1799. Missive dating from "Cent-Jours!". His relationship with Moreau had earned Lecourbe a total disgrace in 1800 and, in 1815, he had agreed to rally to Napoleon for the sole purpose of defending threatened France. As commander of the Jura Observation Corps, he stood up to Colloredo's 40,000 Austro-Germans in June 1815 with several thousand soldiers. The funds to pay for the engineering works were lacking and Lecourbe promised Colonel J. A. Marion (1766-1826) to do his best "...pour vous [en] obtenir encore... mais comme ces travaux sont pressés et indispensables, le seul moyen d'y parvenir est de faire coopérer la troupe et pour cela il faut donner une petite rétribution. Ce n'est pas trop de dix sols... dans douze jours les travaux doivent être finis...". Nobody imagined then the defeat that the French were going to suffer nine days later at Waterloo. 1 p. 1/2 in-4. Header with his name and rank. € 550

€ 550

Claude Joseph Lecourbe  
1759-1815

Le Général en Chef Lecourbe,  
Commandant le Corps d'Observation du Jura.

a l'Amiral Le Colonel morion  
Commandant le génie de l'armée du Rhône.

je tiens pour monnes, vos observations sur le peu  
de fond que vous avez pour payer les 500 travailleurs  
de quelques villes.

je ferai mon possible pour vous obtenir au moins d'autres  
fonds, mais comme ces travailleurs font preuve et  
indispensablez. Le seul moyen d'y parvenir est  
de faire longer la troupe, abjouer cela, il faut  
donner une petite rétribution, Ce n'est pas long de  
dix sols.

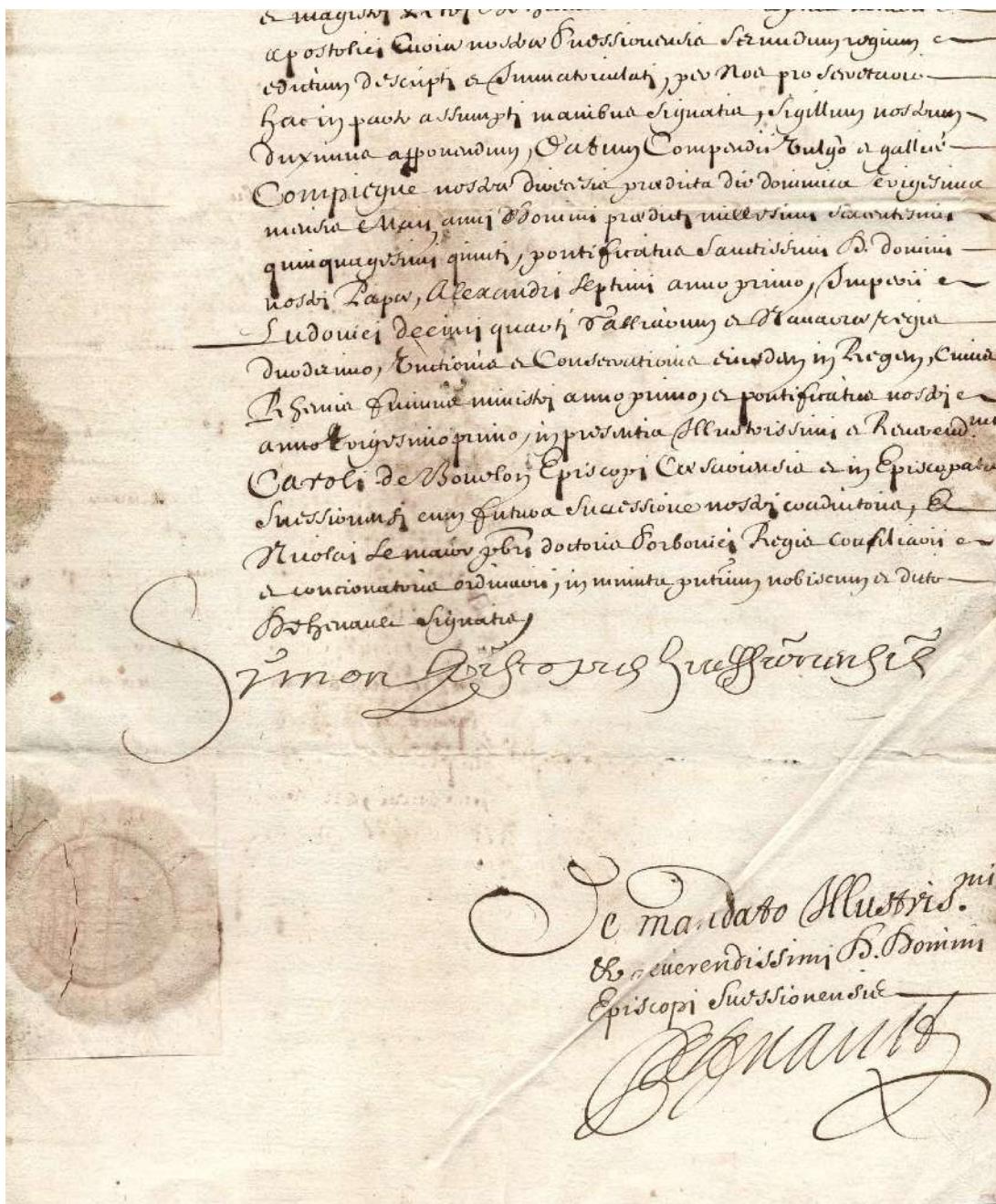
hors à 500 hommes par jour pendant douze jours  
ce sera trois mille francs. Cette somme n'est pas  
exorbitante, et quand même, vous n'aurez que des  
petites dépenses.

**21. Simon Legras** (Paris, 1589 - Septmonts, 1656)

*Jules Mazarin - Laura Martinozzi*

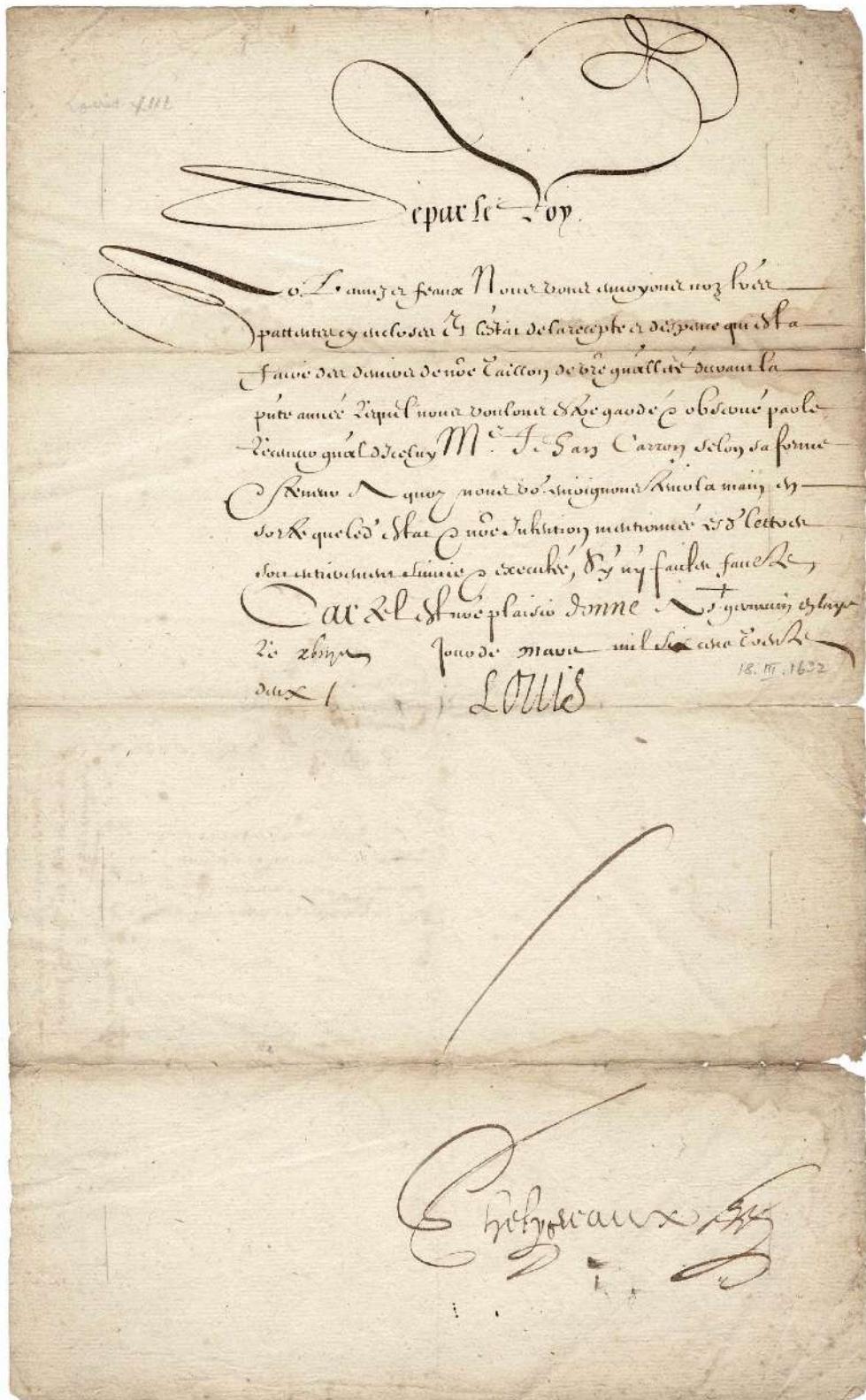
Document signed, dated Compiègne, 23.V.1655 by the bishop of Soissons. On June 7, 1654 in the cathedral of Reims Legras crowned the king Louis XIV. Act of consent for the celebration in the chapel of the royal castle of Compiègne of the marriage between the prince Alphonse IV and Laura Martinozzi, niece of the cardinal Jules Mazarin (1602-1661). 3 pp. In-4. Loss of paper and text in the upper right margin.

€ 400



**22. Louis XIII** (Château de Fontainebleau, 1601 - Saint-Germain-en-Laye, 1643) *Louis Phelypeaux*  
Letter signed "Louis" (hand of secretary), dated St. Germain en Laye, 18.III. 1632 by the king of France since 1610. Son of Henri IV and Marie de Médicis, he governed with Richelieu and fought against the Protestants. Letter of seal announcing the sending of "...l'estat de la recepte et despence qui est à faire des deniers de n.re Taillon et V.re généralité..." in Lyon. Counter signed by Louis Phelypeaux (1598-1681), lord of la Vrillière and Chateauneuf, he was secretary of state under Louis XIII. ½ p. In-folio. Address at the verso.

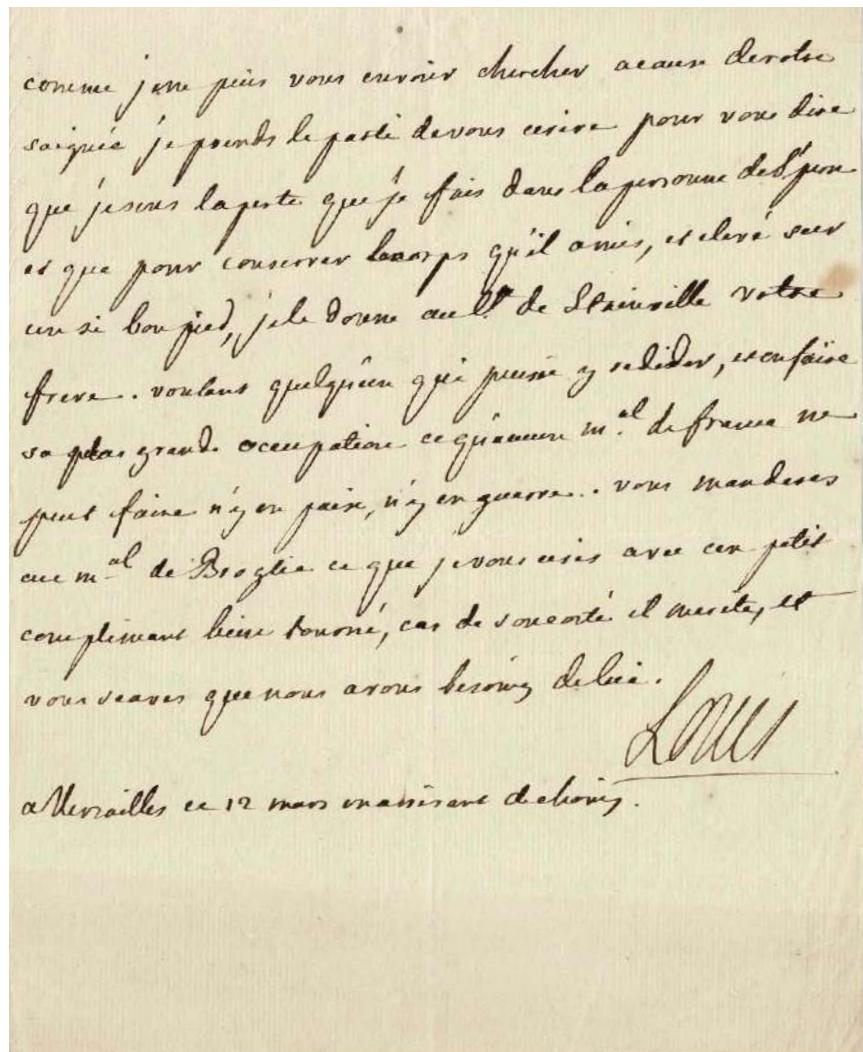
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## 23. Louis XV (Versailles, 1710 - ib., 1774)

Étienne François de Choiseul

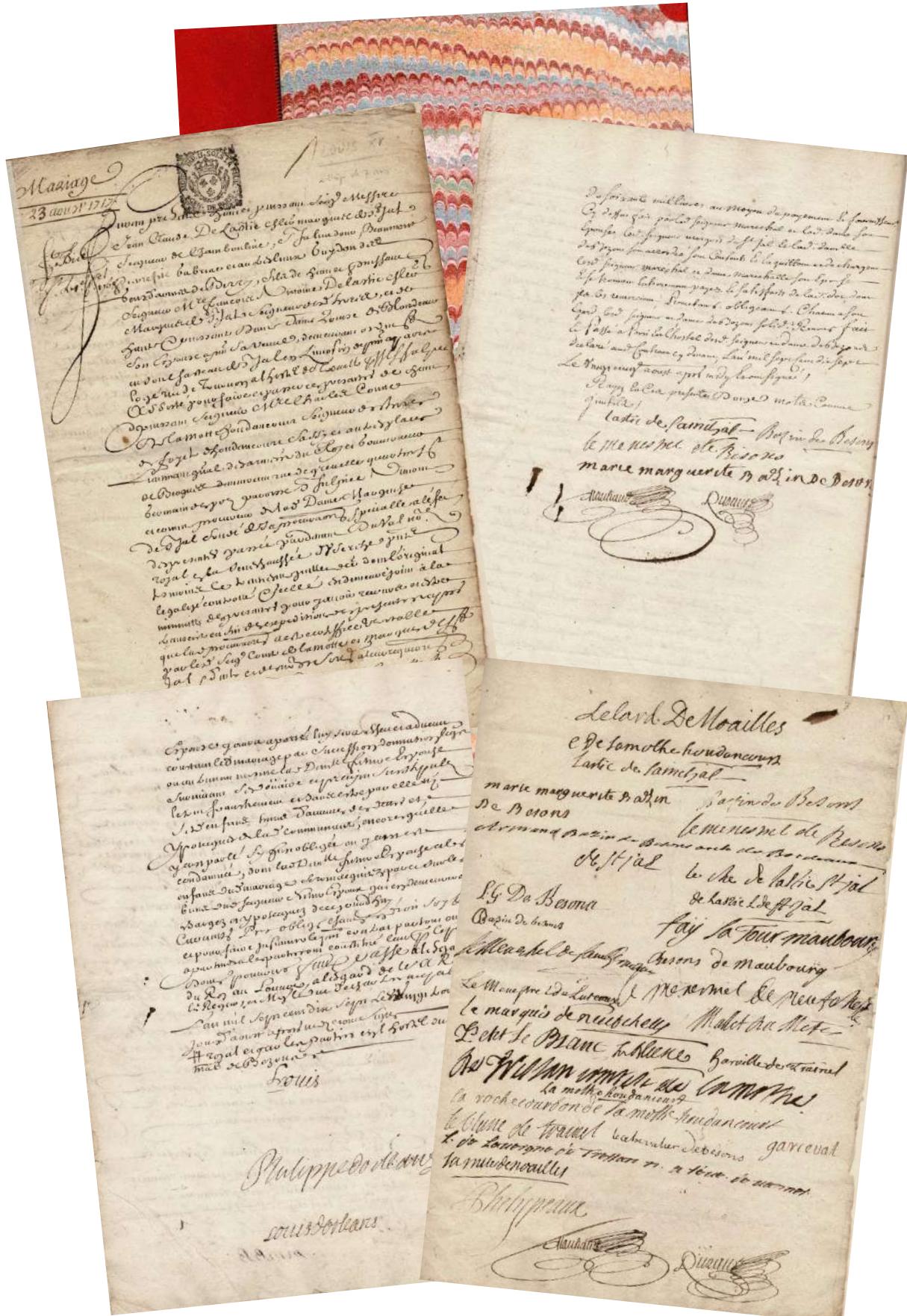
Interesting autograph letter signed, dated Versailles "ce 12 mars en arrivant de Choisy [1761]" by the King of France since 1715, famous for his dissipated life and his powerful mistresses, among them Madame de Pompadour. Louis informed the Duke Étienne François de Choiseul (1719-1785), the famous diplomat and statesman, that in order to keep the Corps "...mis sur un si bon pied..." by the late General Jules-Vincent de Saint-Perne, "...je le donne au comte de Stainville, votre frère..." Jacques de Choiseul, returned to France in 1760 after serving in the armies of Maria Theresa of Austria. The king is persuaded that this one will be able to make "...ce qu'un Maréchal de France ne peut faire ni en paix ni en guerre...". Le destinataire est prié de mander au Maréchal de Broglie "...ce que vous écris avec un petit compliment bien tourné, car de ce côté il mérite, et vous savez que nous avons besoin de lui...". 1 p. In-4. € 2000



**24. Louis XV** (Versailles, 1710 - ib. 1774)*Marriage Contract*

Magnificent marriage contract bound in modern red morocco with marbled spine and cover, stipulated and signed by Jean Claude de Lastic, marquis de St. Jal (1690-1753) and Marie Marguerite Bazin de Bezons (1696-1722), daughter of the Maréchal de France Jacques Bazin de Bezons (1646-1733). The contract is signed by the king **Louis XV à l'âge de 7 ans** (1710-1774), the regent of the kingdom **Philippe d'Orléans** (1674-1723); the son of the regent **Louis d'Orléans** (1703-1752); the cardinal and archbishop of Paris from 1695 **Louis-Antoine de Noailles** (1651-1729), the brother of the bride the archbishop of Bordeaux from 1698 **Armand Bazin de Bezons** (1654-1721); the chancellor **Louis Phélypeaux** (1643-1727); the father of the bride the Marshal of France **Jacques Bazin de Bezons** (1646-1733), the bride's mother **Marie Marguerite Le Menestrel**, daughter of the King's secretary Antoine Le Menestrel; the Marshal of France and industrialist **Jean Hector de Faÿ de La Tour-Maubourg** (1678-1764); the bride's sister **Marie Suzanne Bazin de Bezons** (d. 1726), wife to Jean Hector de Faÿ; the brother of the wife the captain of cavalry in the Regiment of the Dauphin **Jacques Étienne Bazin de Bezons** (m. 1742); the king's marshal and musketeer **Louis Charles de La Mothe-Houdancourt** (1687-1755); the captain Eutrope Alexandre de Courbon (1643-1706) daughter **Estelle Thérèse de Courbon** (1697-1773), married to Louis Charles de La Mothe-Houdancourt; Secretary of State for War **Claude Le Blanc** (1669-1728); the wife of Claude Le Blanc **Madeleine Petit de Passy** (n. 1699); the Marshal, Grand of Spain and Governor **Charles de La Mothe-Houdancourt** (1633-1728); **Marie Elisabeth de la Vergne de Monteynard-Tressan** (1652-1741), married to Charles de La Mothe-Houdancourt (1633-1728); **Marie-Françoise de Bournonville** (1654-1748), only child of Ambroise-François de Bournonville (1619-1693), married to Anne-Jules de Noailles (1663-1708); brother of the wife and future bishop of Carcassonne **Armand Bazin de Bezons** (1701-1725); the wife's brother, Master of Camp with the Foreign Dauphin Cavalry Regiment **Louis Gabriel Bazin de Bezons** (1700-1740); the nun at the Monastery of Bon Secours **Louise Jeanne Bazin de Bezons** (1698-1723); the colonel of cavalry **Léon Le Cirier, marquis de Neufchelles** (1661-1733); the aunt of the wife, married to Léon Le Cirier **Marie Louise Le Menestrel; Leonard Tristan**; the officer **Claude Constant Esprit Juvenal De Harville** (1698-1726); the daughter of Claude Le Blanc **Madeleine Le Blanc** (1697-1746), married to Claude Constant Esprit Juvenal De Harville; **Marie Mallet du Mets**, married to Gédéon Berbier du Mets (1626-1709), Garde-Meuble of the Crown; **Madeleine Louise du Bois de Baillet**, married to Antoine Gédéon Le Menestrel, seigneur de Marcilly. 12 pp. In-folio.

€ 10 000

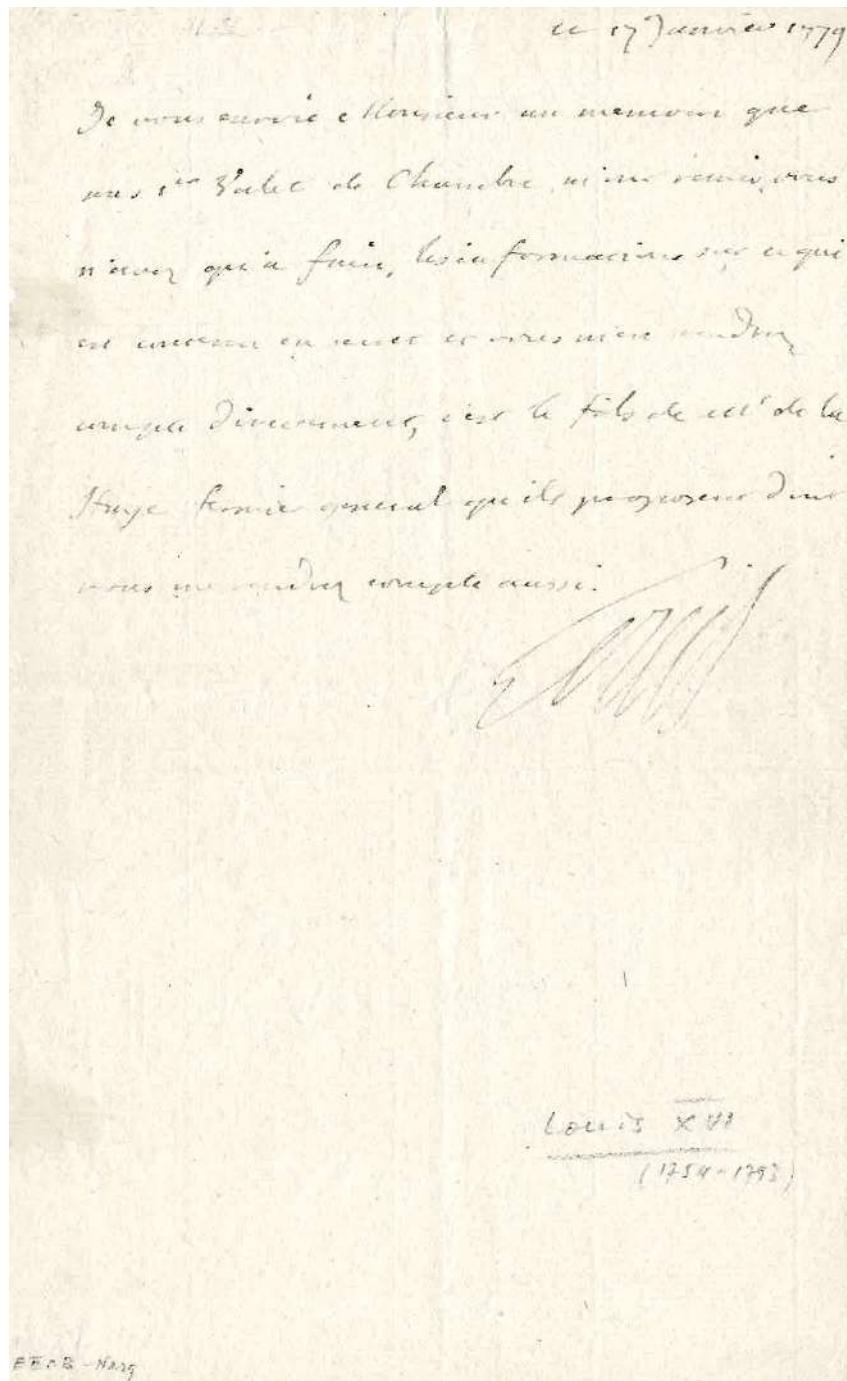


24. Louis XV

**25. Louis XVI** (Versailles, 1754 - Paris, 1793)

François-Joseph De La Haye

Rare autograph letter signed, dated (Versailles) 17.I.1779, by the last king of France of the Ancien Régime, crowned in 1775 in the cathedral of Reims. In spite of the concession of the Constitution, he could not control the Revolution. He went to the scaffold on January 21, 1793. The sovereign sends "...un mémoire que mes 1ers valets de Chambre m'ont remis. Vous n'avez qu'à faire les informations sur ce qui est contenu en secret et vous m'en rendrez compte directement...". He wishes to be informed about the son of a farmer general, Chevalier M. François-Joseph De La Haye (1752-1821), lieutenant general of the Admiralty of France. 1/2 p. In-8. € 2700

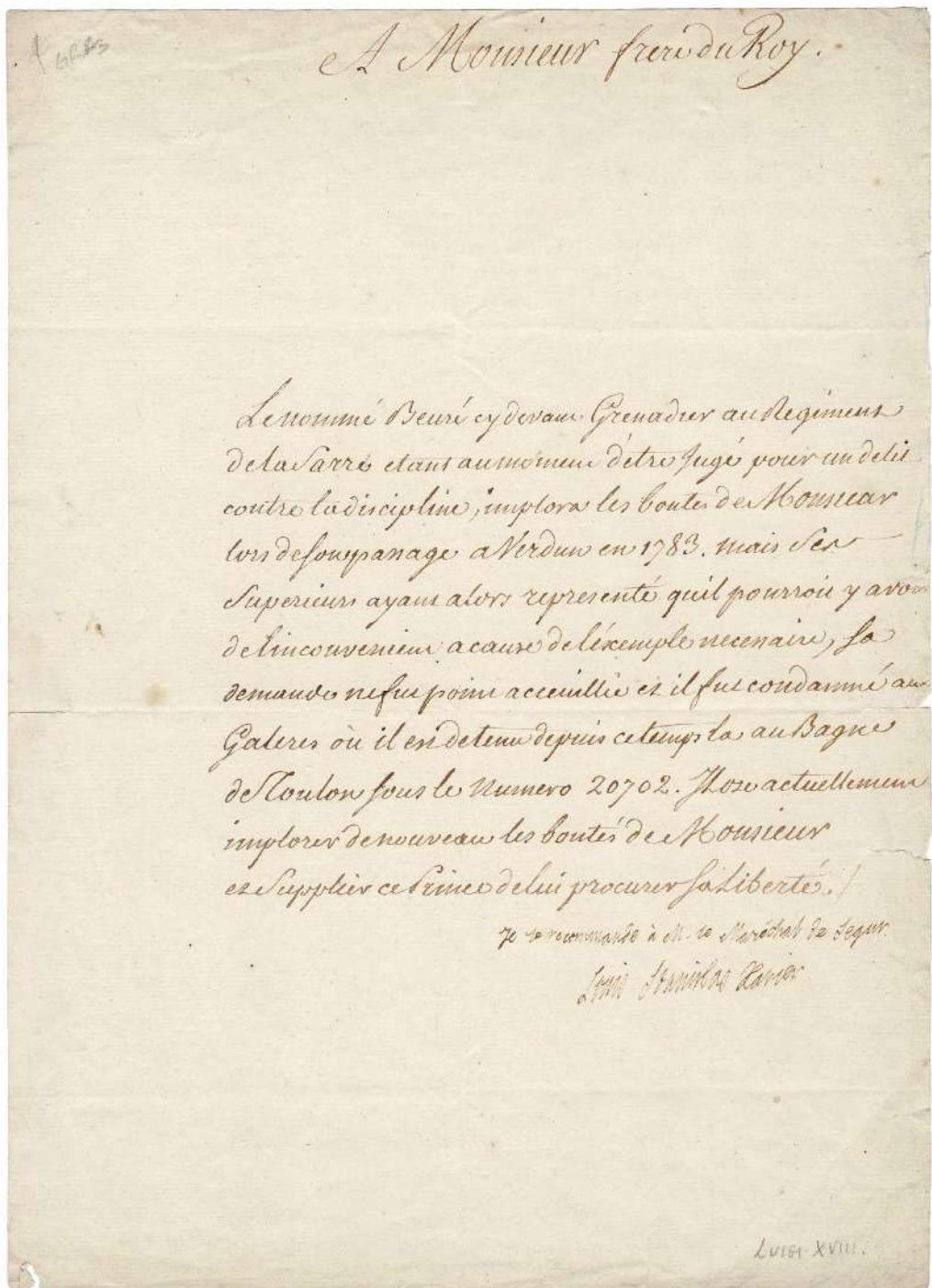


**26. Louis XVIII** (Versailles, 1755 - Paris, 1824)

Louis XVI

Letter signed "Louis Stanislas Xavier" with an autograph postscript "Je te recommande à M. Le Marechal de [Philippe Henri de] Segur", not dated [1783 ca.] by the king of France and Navarre from 1815, younger brother of Louis XVI. Louis addresses his brother Louis XVI: "Le nommé Beuré ci devant grenadier au régiment de la Sarre, étant au moment d'être jugé pour un délit contre le discipline, implora les bontés de Monsieur [le Roi] lors de son passage à Verdun en 1783. Mais ses supérieurs ayant alors représenté qu'il pourrait y avoir des 'inconvénient à cause de l'exemple nécessaire, la demande ne fut point accueillie et il fut condamné aux galères où il est détenu depuis ce temps là au Bagne de Toulon...'. 1 p. In-folio.

€ 700

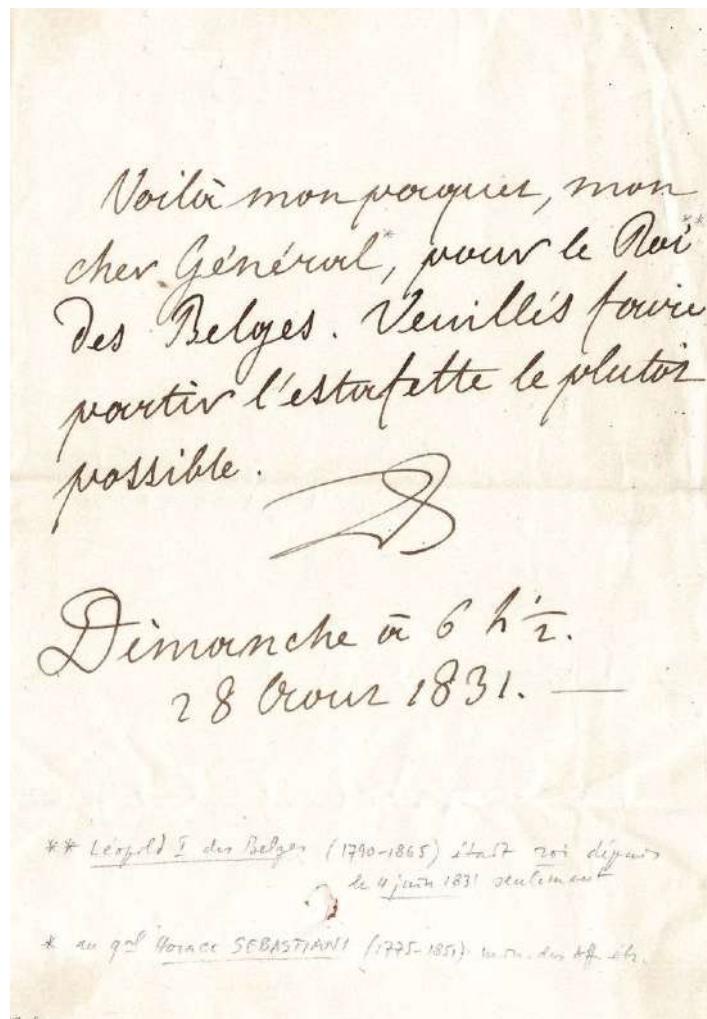


**27. Louis-Philippe I** (Palais-Royal, Paris 1773 - Hersham 1850)

*Leopold I of Belgium*

Curious autograph letter signed, dated "Dimanche à 6h ½ - 28 août 1831" by the king of the French from 1830 to 1848. Louis-Philippe addresses to the general Horace Sebastiani (1775-1851), then Minister of Foreign Affairs, concerning the sending of a package "...pour le Roi des Belges..." to be sent by "... l'estafette le plutôt possible...". Leopold I (1790-1865), German prince and eighth child of the Duke of Coburg-Gotha, known as Leopold George Chrétien Frédéric de Saxe-Coburg-Saalfeld, had just been chosen on June 4 as King of Belgium. A "diplomatic fold" or, more likely, a "financial gift" (?). This precious package was intended for his future son-in-law who, after having refused the crown of Greece, had accepted that of Belgium on July 21, 1831 before marrying on August 9 the princess Louise d'Orléans, daughter of king Louis-Philippe. It should be noted that on October 4, 1830, at the end of the Belgian revolution against the Netherlands, the National Congress proclaimed independence and elected Louis d'Orléans, second son of Louis-Philippe I, king of the Belgians, who had just been elected king of the French by the Parliament. But Great Britain opposed this election and Louis-Philippe refused the title in the name of his son for fear of starting a European war in which France could have been isolated. ½ p. In-8.

€ 550

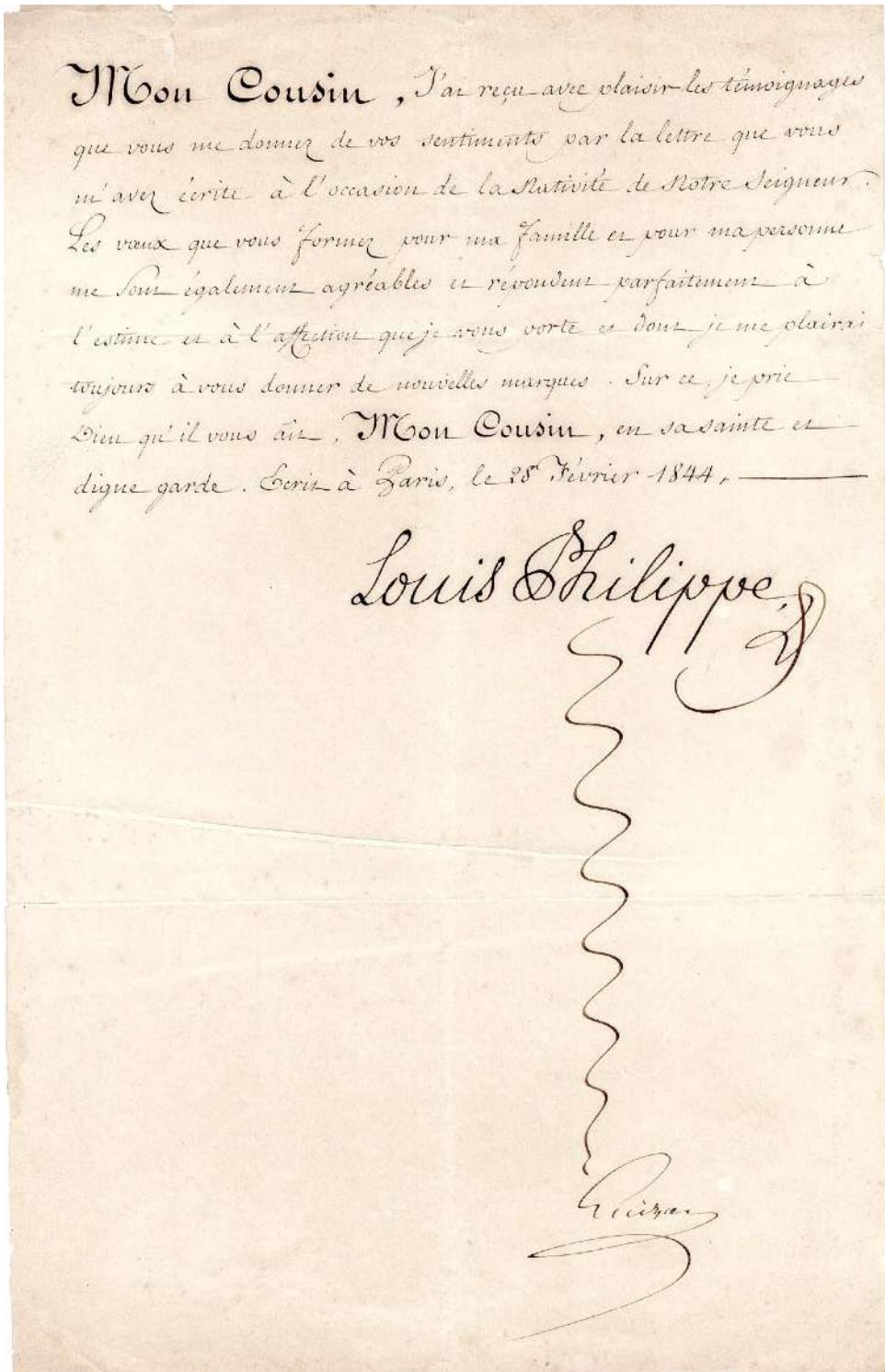


Baptême avec la Reine &c --  
& de lui donner les noms de  
Louis Philippe Léopold Ernest  
Victor, (ou Victor Ernest, car  
je ne suis pas sûr de l'ordre de ces  
deux derniers noms qu'on peut  
vérifier dans les Gazzettes où se  
trouve l'acte de naissance).  
  
Veuillez aussi me transmettre  
ainsi que cela est à offrir, la note  
sur les présens à faire au nouveau.  
  
Vous me feriez grand --  
plaisir de me faire parvenir tous  
cela à Neuilly demain mardi  
dans la journée & même le plus tôt  
possible, car mon fils part de

**29. Louis-Philippe I** (Royal Palace, Paris 1773 - Hersham 1850)

François Guizot

Letter signed, dated *Paris, le 28 février 1844* by the king of the French from 1830 to 1848. Letter of thanks to his cousin for Christmas wishes with a large and very nice signature. Signed at the bottom by the president of the French Council of Ministers **François Guizot**. 1 p. In-folio. € 200

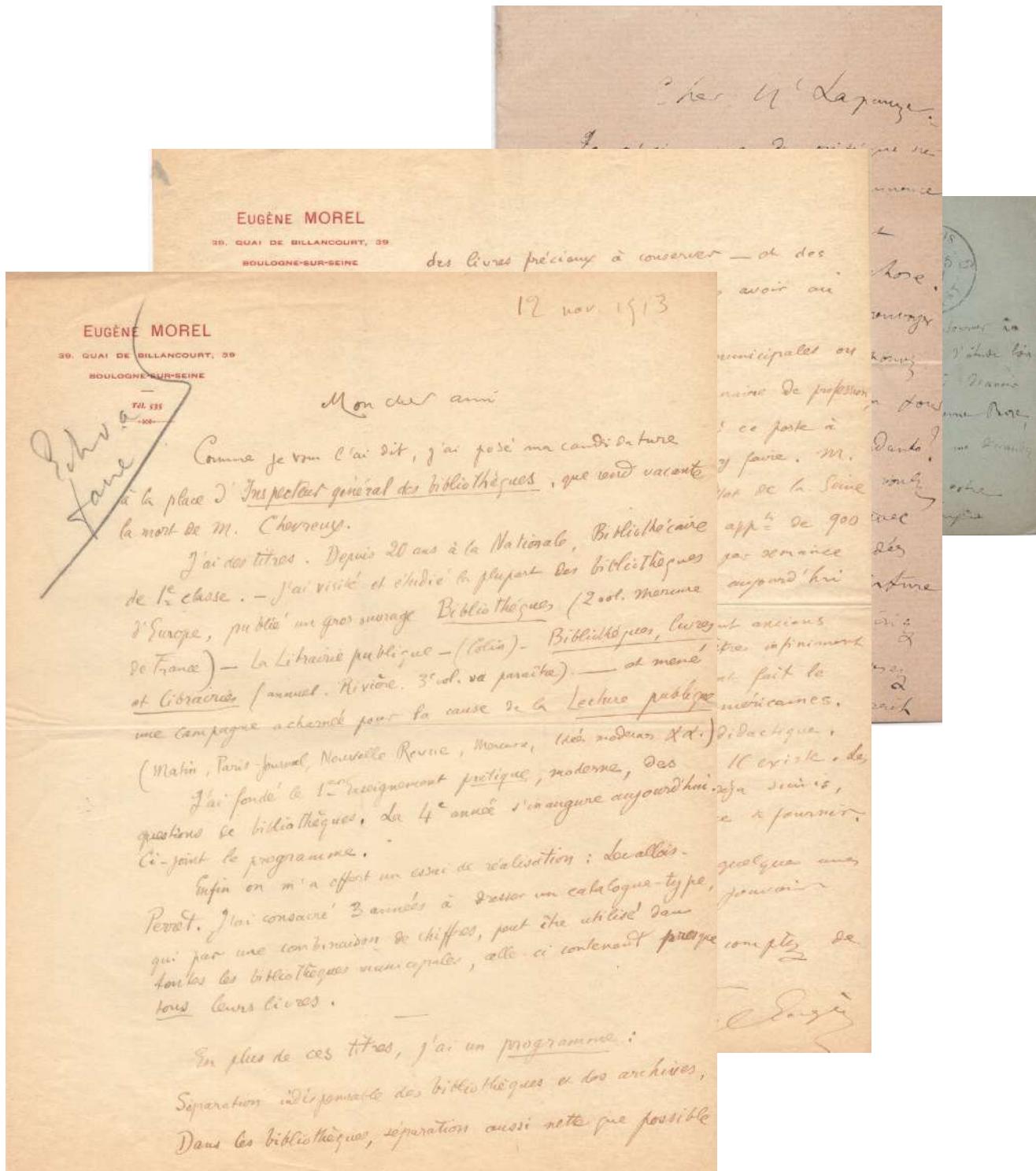


**30. Eugène Morel** (Paris, 1869 - ib., 1934)

*Bibliography and french libraries*

Lot of four autograph letters signed, dated 1887 and 1913 by the French writer, literary critic and librarian, who greatly contributed to the development of French libraries and librarianship in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Most of the letters are addressed to the art critic **Henry Lapauze** (1867-1925) and deal with his volume "Bibliothèques, livres et librairies" (1912) and other personal matters. For a total of 6 pp. In-4 and in-32.

€ 180



**31. Benito Mussolini** (Predappio, 1883 - Giulino di Mezzegra, 1945)

Switzerland

Very rare autograph letter signed "B." on postcard, dated Gualtieri 6.V.1902 by the Italian statesman and dictator. Coming from Italian socialist circles, he imposed his fascist dictatorship from 1922 to 1945. At the age of 19, the future Duce announced to Sante Bedeschi (his former fellow student at the "Collegio E. Dalle Vacche" of Forlì) that being without work he decided to move to Switzerland: "... Forse... quando tu avrai la presente io sarò... non più nella terra di Dante, ma nella terra di G. Tell. Devi sapere che qui... non posso vivere...". Rather than beg for more from his family, he decided to "...di andare in Svizzera... qual magazziniere in una ditta di ferrarecce... La città dove vado è Ginevra. Il mio posto è sicuro, ma tu sai che a finanze è meglio partire bene agguerriti...". That's why, even though he had obtained a loan and had set aside a small reserve of money "...frutto di sudati risparmi e di campali battaglie contro il per me soave licor di Bacco (did the young Mussolini appreciate wine?)...". He is unable to reimburse his correspondent; he nevertheless leaves him some hope since he should earn 85/90 lire per month in Geneva. About this letter which he quotes in part, the Italian historian De Felice writes, in his book "Mussolini rivoluzionario", that it is in its kind a small masterpiece of mussolinian psychology; better than a long speech, his text - he adds - allows to glimpse the boasts, the modesty, the small worries of the young man and the true personality of the future dictator. 1 p. in-12. Slight brown stain, fold in the center. Address and postmarks on the back.

€ 3200

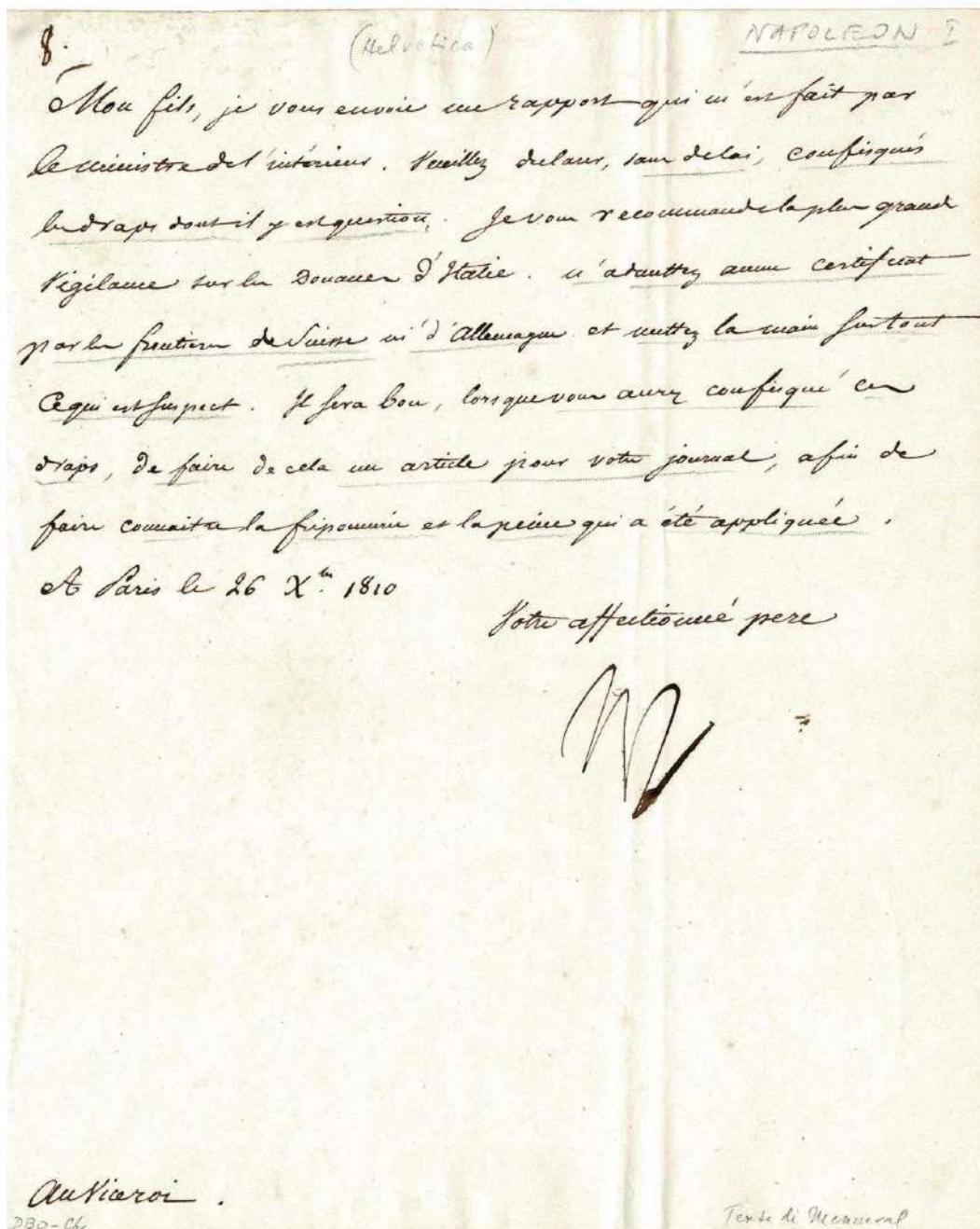
Carmine Bedeschi "la moglie della pensione di  
Gualtieri invia una lettera a suo figlio.  
Ricevuta a Ginevra. Poco dopo le vacanze qui passate.  
date 85 lire 90 lire vento. Gualtieri, 6.VI.1902  
è un cartoline che mi desideravo, mi quanto  
tu avrai la parola io sono con tutto imbarazzo  
torna di Dante, ma nello tuo di G. Tell.  
Tu sai che qui - sotto il cielo che  
giorno salario - non posso vivere - Ovviglio;  
che stante i barbari regolamenti che ci  
sgocciolano non ho diritto ai meriti delle  
margherite - Onde - piuttosto che vedere  
a piacere dalla famiglia - decisi  
di andare in Svizzera dove un amico  
mi ha trovato un posto quale  
magazziniere di una ditta in ferrocarrile  
per una leggera scorsa di denaro, frutto  
di molti risparmi e di campali battaglie  
contro il per me soave licor di Bacco  
ed un amico romagnolo egli pure - mi  
fornì di quattromila lire città sole vado  
a Ginevra. Il mio posto è sicuro, ma  
tu sai che a finanze è meglio partire  
bene agguerriti - Pagarti ciò che ti devo mi  
sare - oggi di sacrificio. Del resto devi sapere  
che non mi può risparmiare l'obbligo  
di imbarazzo. Sussurrò subito al tuo prede  
non mi potrebbe far male a Ginevra.  
Ho bisogno così mio marito. Credili a me B.

## 32. Napoléon I (Ajaccio, 1769 - Saint-Hélène, 1821)

Switzerland

Fine letter signed, dated Paris 26.XII 1810 by the Emperor of the French and famous general. Interesting missive to Eugène de Beauharnais, viceroy of Italy, to send him a report of the minister of the Interior and to order him to declare, without delay, "...confisqués les draps dont il est question. Je vous recommande la plus grande vigilance sur les Douanes d'Italie. N'admettez aucun certificat par les frontières de Suisse ni d'Allemagne et mettez la main sur tout ce qui est suspect. Il sera bon, lorsque vous aurez confisqué ces draps, de faire de cela un article pour votre journal, afin de faire connaître la friponnerie et la peine qui a été appliquée...". After having been incorporated into the French political system, Switzerland had nevertheless succeeded in obtaining new economic outlets (trade in English cotton fabrics which should have been subject to the continental blockade) and, accused by France of being the focus of all British smuggling in Europe, Switzerland was threatened in its independence. Soon its economic isolation was complete and it was only after a personal approach of Landmann de Wattenwyl to the Emperor that the transit of cotton could be resumed. 1/2 p. In-4.

€ 3000

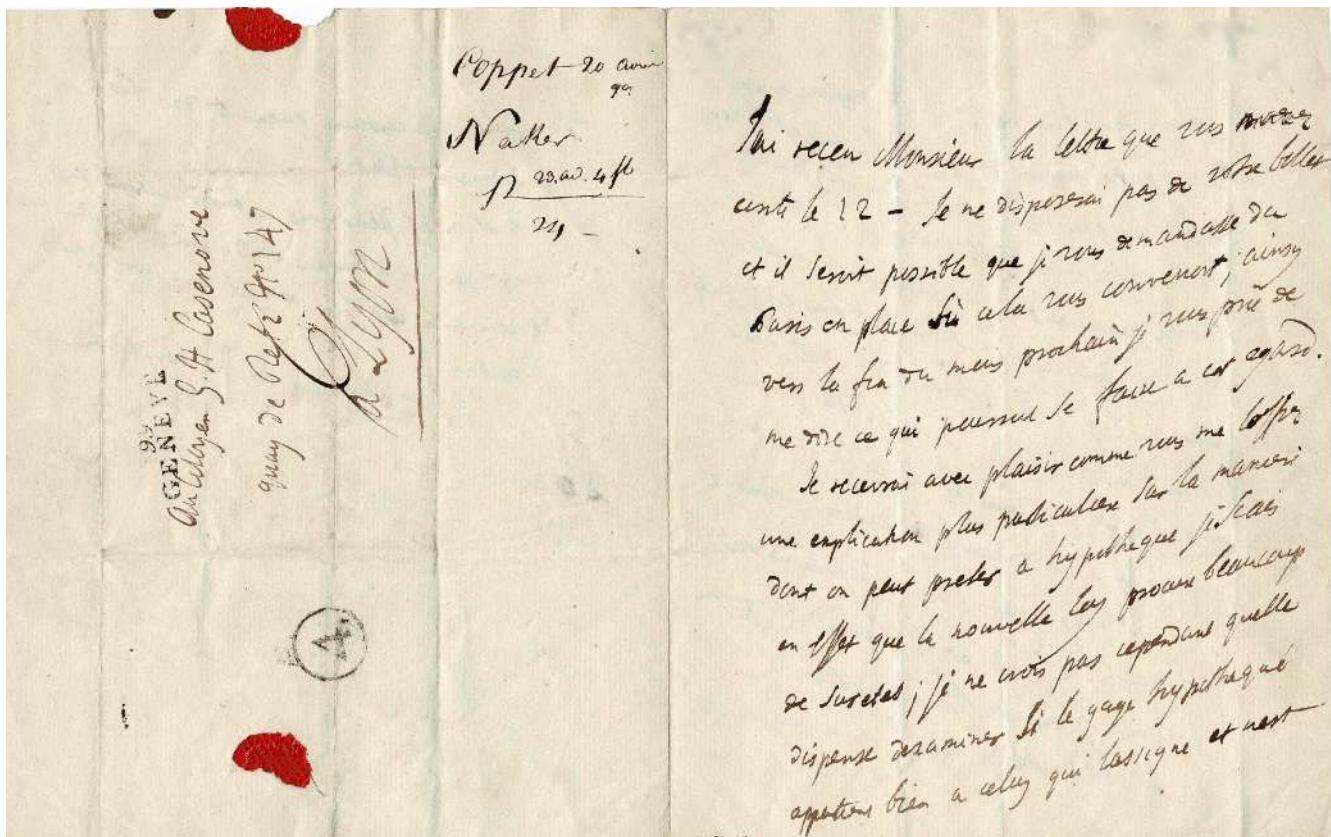


### **33. Jacques Necker** (Geneva, 1732 - ib., 1804)

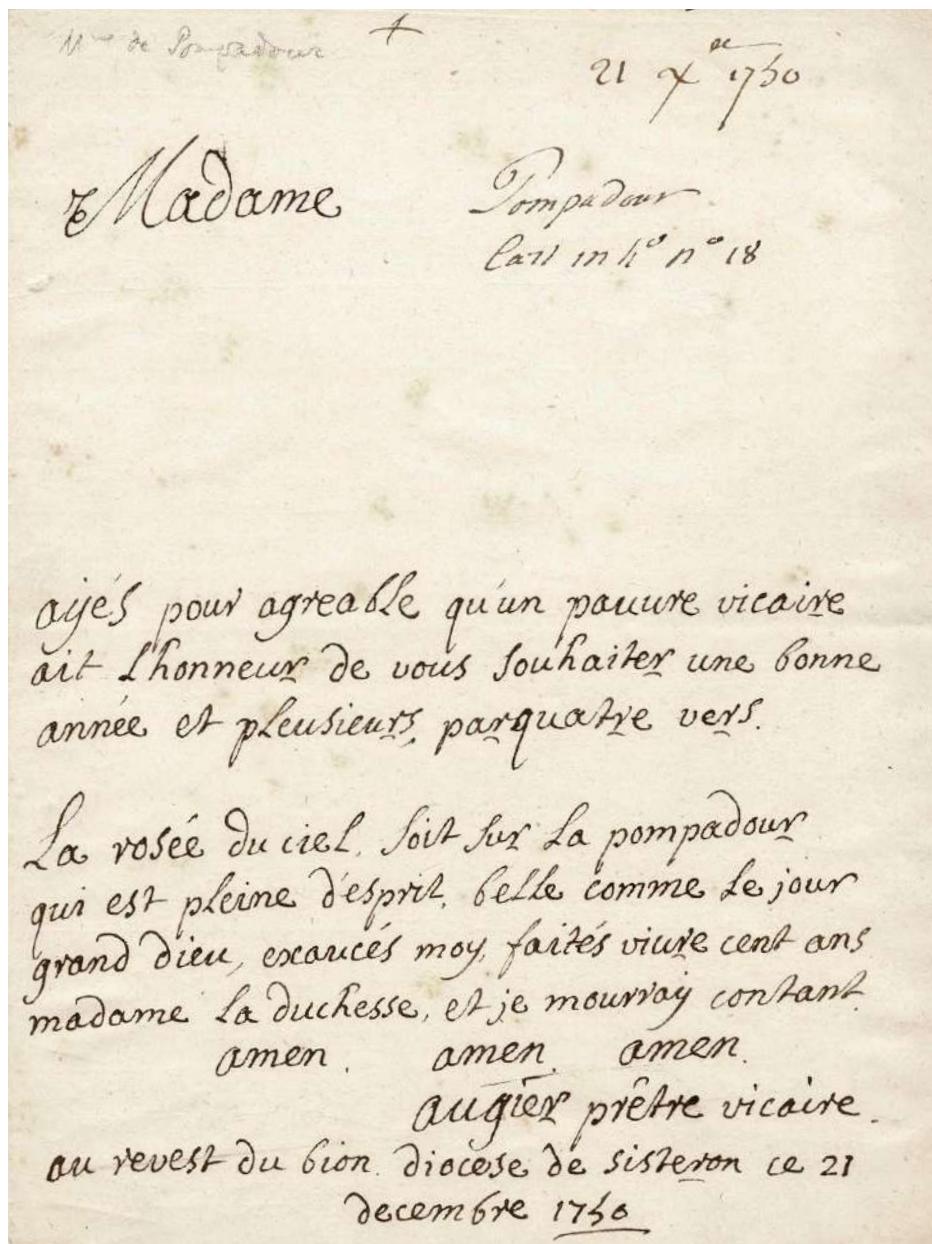
## *Switzerland*

Long and interesting autograph letter, dated 20.IV.1799 by the Genevan financier and politician, Minister of Finance of Louis XVI and father of Madame de Staël. Necker addresses himself to the citizen G. H. Casenove in Lyon: "...sur la manière dont on peut prêter à hypothèque...la nouvelle loy procure beaucoup de sûreté; je ne crois pas cependant qu'elle dispense d'examiner si le gage hypothéqué appartient bien à celui qui l'assigne et n'est pas grevé de douaire...On préfère aussi... prêter à des roturiers sur les loix passibles contre les nobles... De quelle manière aussy a-t-on un intérêt au dessous de cinq pour cent qui ne soit pas critiquable par le long? Vous parlez d'un prêt pour deux ou trois ans, il me semble que plus il sera long et mieux ce sera même pour la sécurité contre le papier monnayé...". Necker will put on sale "...dans ce pays incessamment une certaine quantité de biens appartenant à l'État..." and wonders, in closing his letter, what can possibly be the motive for borrowing at high interest by mortgage when the trade interest is low and without lucrative business. 3 ½ pp. Small in-4. With wax seal. € 850

€ 850



34. (Jeanne-Antoinette Poisson, Marquise of Pompadour) (Paris 1721 Versailles 1764) *Louis XV*  
Letter dated Revest-du-Bion (Basses-Alpes), 21.XII.1750, originating from the papers of the famous  
mistress of Louis XV, then at the height of her fortune, written by the priest of a village in the Basses-  
Alpes who, wishing to wish her correspondent a happy new year, sent her a quatrain of her own.  
“Madame, Ayés pour agréable qu'un pauvre vicaire ait l'honneur de vous souhaiter une bonne année... par quatre vers:  
*la rosée du ciel, soit sur la Pompadour/qui est pleine d'esprit, belle comme le jour...*”. It is amusing to note that  
from the depths of his Basses-Alpes, the small parish priest of a village counting a hundred inhabitants  
located on the road joining Forcalquier to Sault, in the shade of the Mont Ventoux, knew the mistress  
of the king of France and, moreover, addressed verses to her! 1 p. In-4. € 500

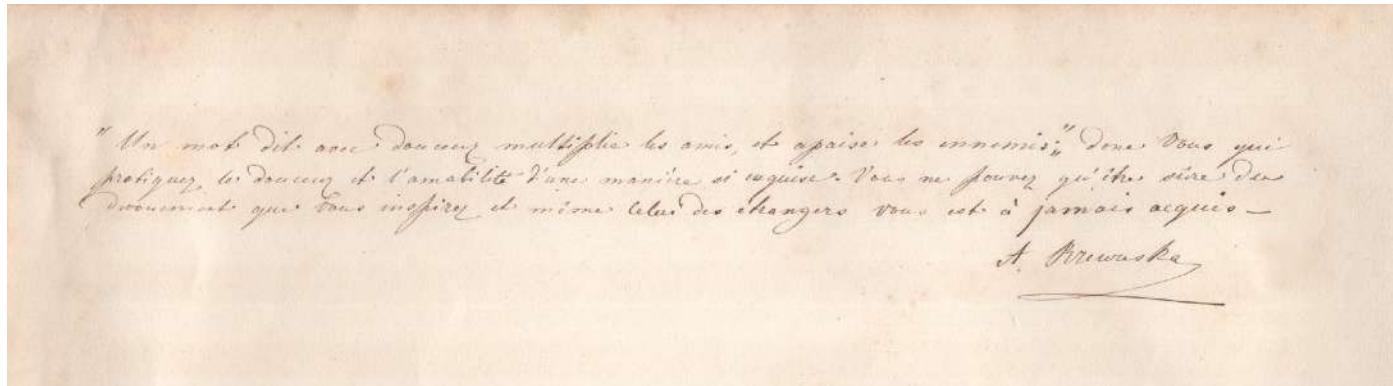


**35. Alexandra Francis Rzewuska** (Kiev 1788 - Warsaw 1865)

Ukraine

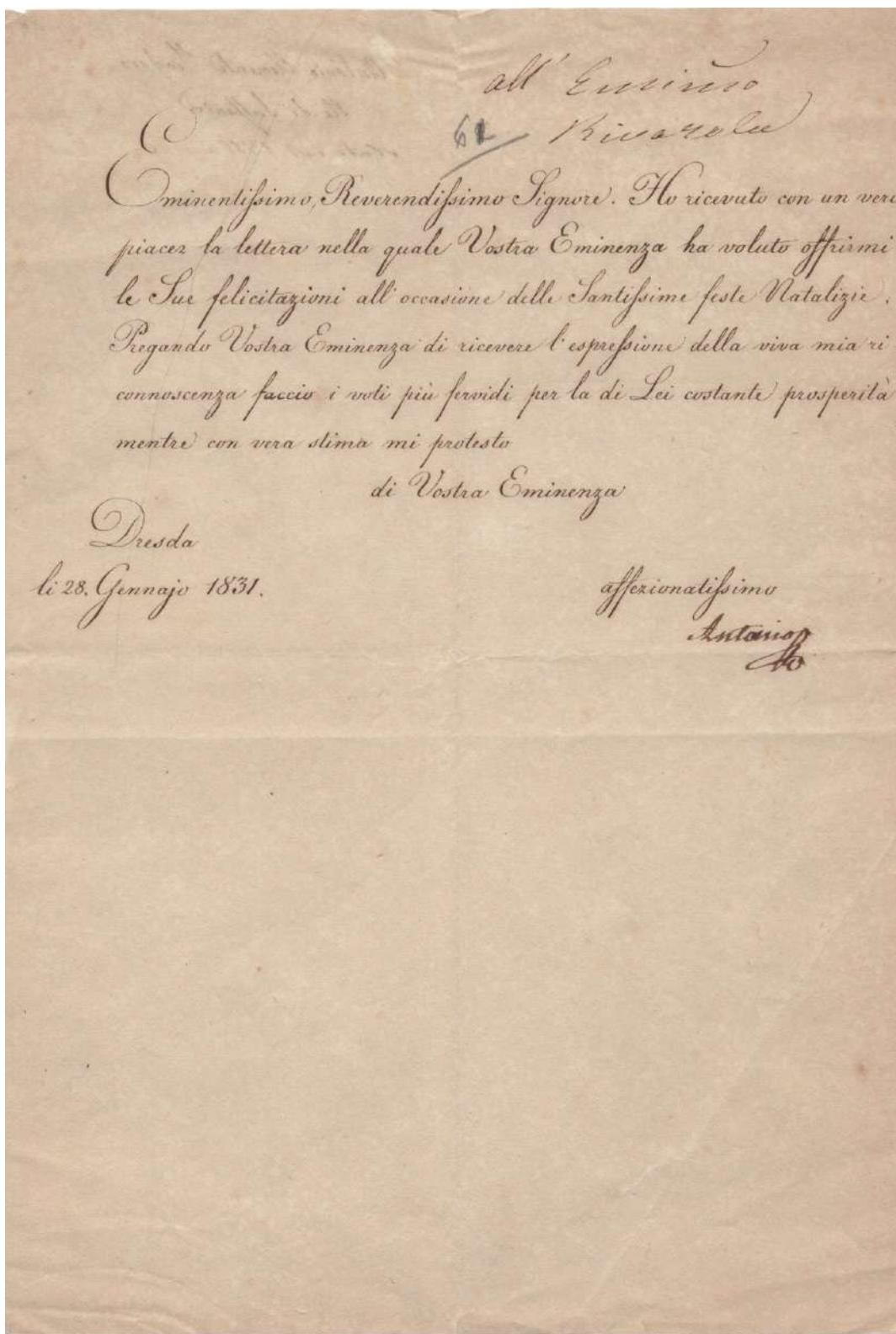
Autograph letter signed (not dated) by the Polish writer and artist, in which she thanks correspondent for some affectionate expressions. "Un mot dit avec douceur multiplie les amis et apaise les ennemis. Donc, vous que pratiquez les douceurs de l'amabilité d'une manière si esquise...". 1 p. in-8 obl.

€ 200



**36. Anthony of Saxony** (Dresden, 1755 - ib., 1836)  
Letter signed, dated *Dresden li 28 Gennajo 1831* by the King of Saxony (1827-1836), reciprocating  
Christmas greetings to Cardinal Agostino Rivarola. ½ p. In-4.

*Saxony*  
€ 150



### **37. Jean-Nicolas Stofflet (Bathélémont, 1753 - Angers, 1796)**

Louis XVII

Passport partially printed and signed, dated Saumur, 15.VI.1793 by the Vendéen military leader, shot in Angers on February 23, 1796. Stofflet grants a passport “*l'an 1er du règne de Louis XVII*” to the republican soldier Ives Bida, of the regiment of Poitou, “...*prisonnier de guerre renvoié (après avoir en les cheveux coupés)... lequel a promis et juré sur son honneur et serment de ne jamais reprendre et porter les armes contre sa Majesté très-chrétienne Louis dix-sept...*”. The document is also signed and completed by Mr. de Laugrenière, commander of the 6th Division of the Catholic army (Argenton); he will be beheaded in Nantes in 1794 after the defeat of the royalists at Savenay. 1 p. small in-4. **Attached:** an autograph letter signed, dated February 20, 1788 by Édouard-Charles-Victurnien Colbert, comte de Maulévrier (1758-1820) with whom Stofflet was a gamekeeper before the revolution. 2 ½ pp. In-8. € 2800

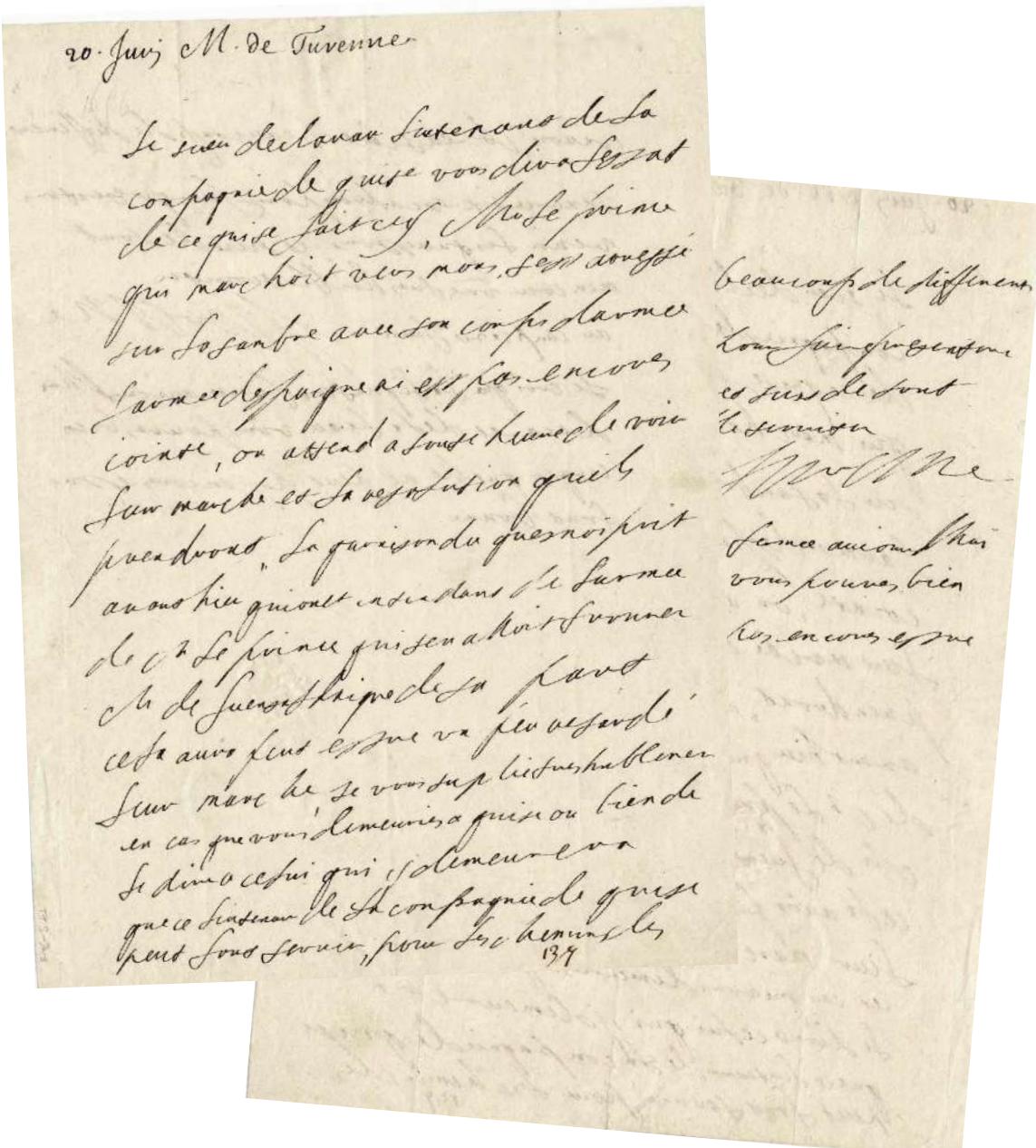
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**39. Henri de La Tour d'Auvergne, viscount of Turenne** (Sedan, 1611 - Battle of Salzbach, 1675)

Very nice letter on military subject, dated Valenciennes, 20.VI.1656, by the viscount of Turenne giving interesting details on the movement of the troops and announcing the sending of a lieutenant of the company of Guise to report "...de ce qui se fait ici..." and serve as a guide "...pour les chemins des convois, il en sarà beaucoup de différents...". Turenne specifies that the Prince of Condé "...qui marchait vers Mons s'est arrêté sur la Sambre...L'armée d'Espagne ni est pas encore jointe. On attend à toute heure de voir leur marche et la résolution qu'ils prendront...". On June 15, 1656, the Marshals of France Turenne and La Ferté had come to lay siege to Valenciennes, which was saved by the arrival of the Prince of Conde, then in revolt against the court, and who forced the two Marshals to withdraw, abandoning part of their artillery. 1 p.  
 1/2. small in-4.

€ 1400

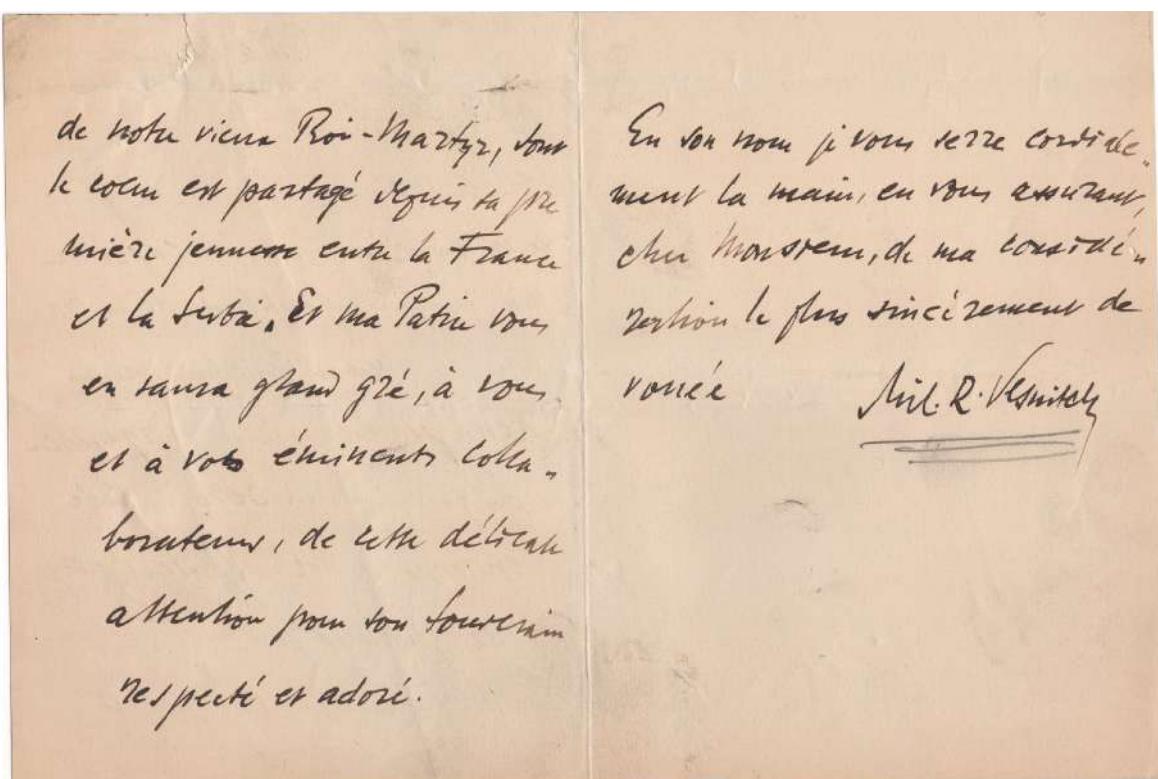


40. Milenko Vesnić (Dunisice, 1863 - Paris, 1921)

Serbia

Autograph letter signed, dated Paris, le 24 Janvier 1916 by the Serbian politician and diplomat, 3rd Prime Minister of Yugoslavia. Vesnić addresses the art critic **Henry Lapauze** (1867-1925): "...Je m'empresse à vous exprimer ma profonde gratitude de la magnifique manifestation que La Renaissance vient d'organiser en faveur de la Servie. Cette couronne de nobles pensées et de généreux sentiments ira admirablement bien à la tête de notre vieux Roi-Martyr, tout ke coeur est partagé depuis sa première jeunesse entre la France et la Serbie...". 3 pp. In-8.

€ 150

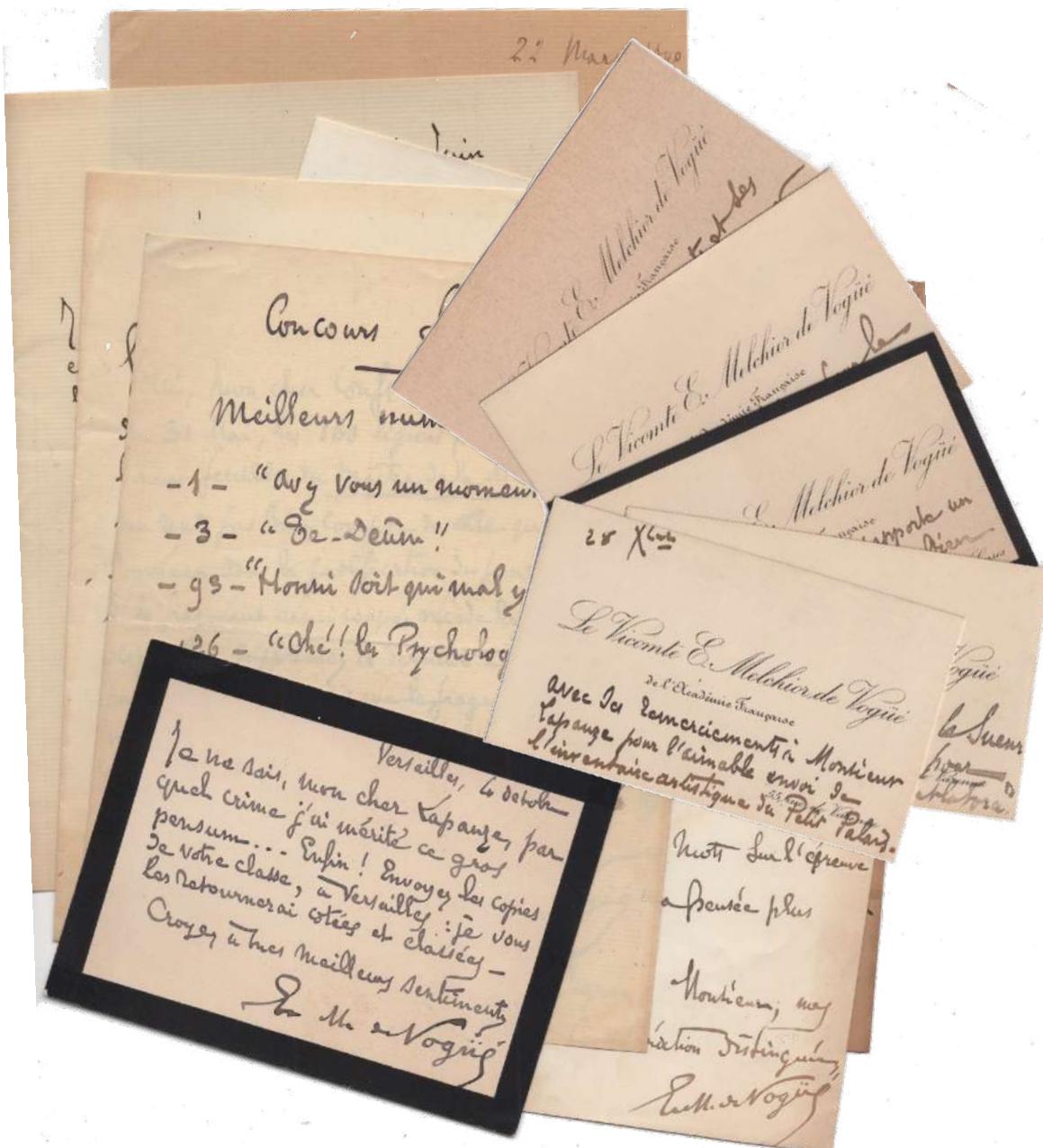


**41. Eugène-Melchior de Vogüé** (Nice, 1848 - Paris, 1910)

Russian literature

Lot of 14 documents, some of them dated 1890-1891 (8 autograph letters signed, 6 visiting-cards with autograph lines, one with signature), by the French man of letters and politician, who collaborated to magazines such as the "Revue des deux Mondes" and the "Journal des débats". Advocate for the diffusion of Russian literature, he is the author of the volume "le Roman russe". Letters and cards are addressed to the art critic **Henry Lapauze** (1867-1925), the woman of letters **Jeanne Loiseau** (a.k.a. Daniel Lesueur, 1854-1921) and others addressees and regard mostly volumes sent to the attention of de Vogüé and press releases. For a total of 15 pp. In-8. With letterheads.

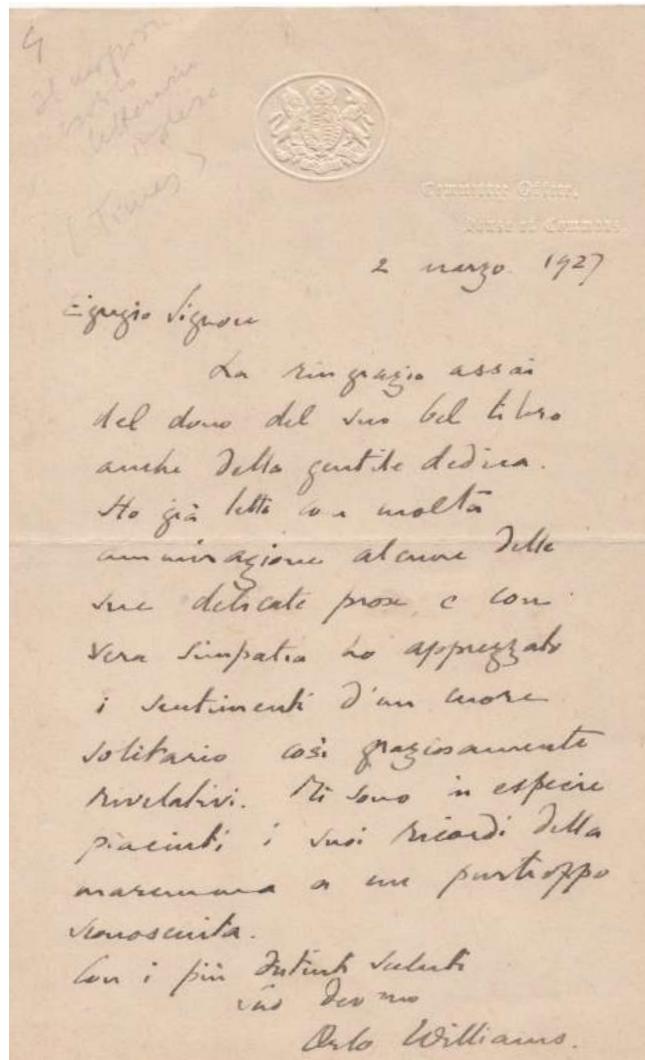
€ 300



**42. Charles Williams** (London, 1886 - Oxford, 1945)

Inklings

Autograph letter signed, dated 2 Marzo 1927 by the British poet, playwright, theologian and literary critic friend of Tolkien. Williams addresses a gentleman: "...La ringrazio assai del dono del suo bel libro anche della gentile dedica. Ho già letto con molta ammirazione alcune delle sue delicate prose, e con vera simpatia ho apprezzato i sentimenti d'un cuore solitario così graziosamente rivelativi...". 1 p. In-8. With embossed letterhead. € 400



43. Anna Gabriele von Habsburg, born von Wrede (Graz 1851 - Gmunden 1923)

Austria

Autograph poem composed of seven quatrains with signature and date München 12 April 92 by the German countess and writer. 1 p. In-4.

€ 200

O Haylige! wir sind iß dir  
dien wonnariesthet Latte!  
Du tarfst der Fals Trausungstrau  
In Leid wiedergaben.

Nur fahrt du. Lohn für Deine Taug  
van rijzig weare, rythe:  
Dnu doen, der salbar sijf balget  
In laublos allen Haytaw.

In Zornen sijf und Neuzbaraußt  
Ergräbst du den Tyne,  
Den Blumen die du sold bringst  
Droghen dien Frauen.

Die weißt du Kjaas der Maria,  
Mit hogen Grüns weichen dir  
die Klifft uaf a faran.

Hijf wird du an dat Lijf gazzet,  
Hijf kommen sijf mit qualen,  
Mit art'gen Ruu in Compliment  
Glaugig - kalt. Pralua

Die reineue dir in 't dippeloff  
Hijf wolkdrift. Phalen  
Mit salig verweelten Raumzthiel  
Die Poesieen sind da sofen.

O Haylige! wir sind iß dir  
dien wonnariesthet Latte!  
Du keusyt der Fals Trausungstrau  
In Leid wiedergaben.

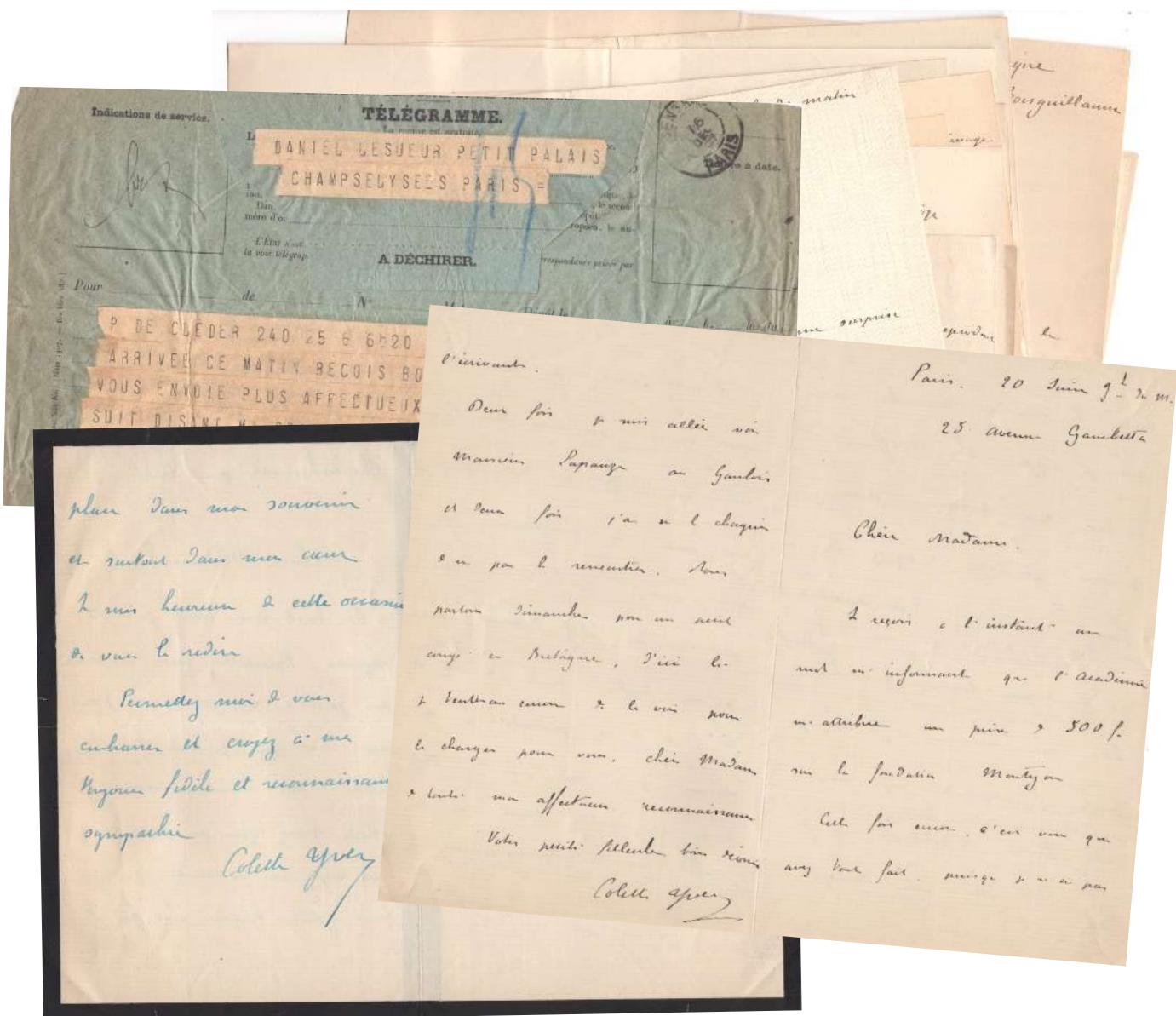
München 12 April 92. *Anna Gabriele Wrede*

**44. Colette Yver** (Segré, 1874 - Rouen, 1953)

*Princesse de science - French Women's Literature*

Lot of 23 documents (1 telegram, 22 autograph letters signed) dated 1907-1908 by the French catholic writer, awarded in 1907 with "prix Femina" (once called "prix Vie Heureuse") for her "Princesse de science". Some letters are addressed to Jeanne Loiseau (a.k.a. Daniel Lesueur, 1854-1921) and others addressees and deal with contemporary literary issues and her just published novel "Princesse de science". For a total of 80 pp. In-8 and on in-32 cardboard.

€ 400



## **45. Miguel Zamacoïs** (Louveciennes, 1866 - Paris, 1955)

*Les bouffons* (1907) Sarah Bernhardt

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