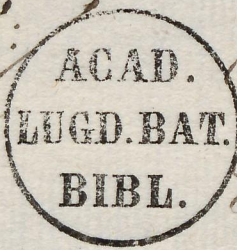


S^r.



This inclosed being sent to me from Hamburg⁵ privileges me to give you this diversion. The young householders do so please themselves in the exercise of their Economy, & it ^{is} a matter of no less difficulty, than unluckily to persuade them to the least change, did not civility to some, & obligation to others require it.

I hope S^r. for your own contentment you have, or will keep Mr. Stephens wth you. I know he is not hard to be intreated, & there will need no greater constraint to hasten my S^{ist} to partake of that shee so much delights in & the more because shee perceives shee may contribute somewhat to your pleasure, w^{ch} shee may therefore be sayd to understand perfectly, because shee hath it at her fingers ends. Shee keeps her hand in w^{ch} to an excellent Harpsichord, & I am advising her content her armo with a less dimension than that of a Thorbos, as fitting her the better to a resolution of complying wth your desires.

Let me intreat you S^r. to afford me the instaw of my request to be accounted

Breda.
Novemb^r. 29.

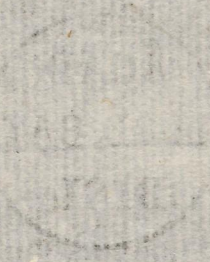
Your most humble
servant.

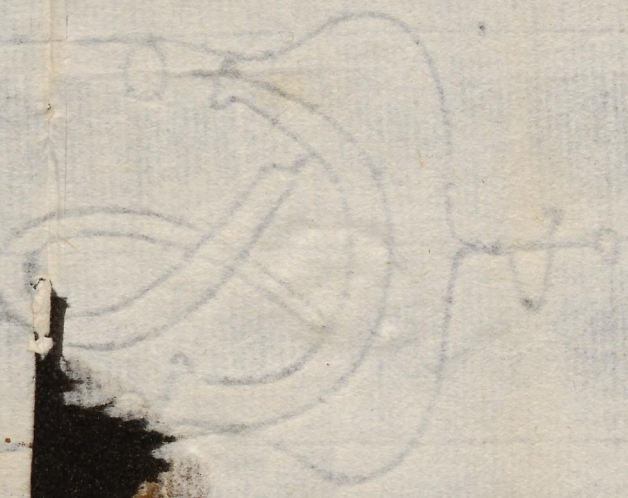
John. Sale.

My Brother, & S^{ist}. I w^{ch} m^{ost} desire you to accept of their
Gravets.

Aug. 37.

[Faint, illegible handwritten text in a cursive script, likely Dutch, covering the majority of the page. The text is mirrored across the horizontal lines of the paper.]





A Monsieur

Monsieur Auguste, Seigneur de Zuydam
Conseiller & Secrétaire de son Altesse
de Prince d'Orange

A la Haye