



My Lord

I have lately enjoyed the happiness of the perusal  
of your incomparable Belgick poems, which are  
enriched with such a solid sweetness, pithy  
and rapturous, and embowered with such, and  
unbelov'd artificial, and fringed with such  
choys'd words, and Latin'd sentences, that all the  
while you peruse them. mee thinkes I heare  
the very tongue of Iphigiee harmonious hang  
in your booke-hout; in your Bible-stof; Paradise  
Kostelick Mal; Living, and lively personage in  
your zed-printon; via lactea, the milky way  
in your ban dle; Straphicall passages in your  
Godsdiont; Holydays in your Dagh-worck; Brandy  
of radiating light in your Oogon-trout; the chossalian  
edg'd in your Hofwyck; fleet, smooth Kdlicon in  
your Snel-dicht; Komdis gold chain let downe at  
length in your Langdicht; Originale in your bentadlingon;  
Michaël de Cervantes his inimitable wit in your  
Spansche-wyckrit. Be pleased to accept my  
expression of my high content, and my  
delight in reading your elaborate, yet flowing, and  
euergun poetry, in this Distick,

the author  
of Don  
Quixote

Primum Latine signum clamant, secundum  
plaudere; vox ego sum; carmina bina manus.  
I am first a cry, and then applaus'd by hands;  
But I gild gold, or rather bring alloy to your hands;  
with the diamond dust should cut the diamond;  
and no Muse can characterize you, but your own.  
your Lordship did not understand honore.  
to own it, as at Malderghen in Flandres a little  
afore t' Sass was taken in, when you were  
hands in Colondel in your quarter, or I don't  
13. 9. Not know but you will be a little  
and worthy to live in part. Though I requested your  
Lordships kinsman Sr your memory. I nor I don't  
service to your Swodds to request your  
mee with the best Lordship. I present my humble  
sonne, entitled Theophilus, or English Poem of late favour'd  
poem; which is high, and lowly Sacrifice; a di. I have  
Bonlow's Esquint, in a thin folio; belov'd; written by E.  
your Lordship may command the use have it not,  
of it, and also of command the use have it not,

Your Lordship his humblest servant  
William Price,  
Pastour of the English  
Church here.

Amsterdam.  
March 3.  
1659.  
Aug. 37.





Mijn Heer, mijn Heer  
Donstantijn Huygens  
Riddor, Heer  
van zuylichem,

in den  
Hage.