Sir.

I haue receaued a lettre from my Wife wherin She Writes of one which you Should haue written by order from his Highnes to me I Confesse I Wondred at first where it might be stayed, but to such Times as enquiring were earnestly after it I find that the Magistrats of this Toune (the most vnciuil men vpon Earth) haue detayned the same, as an Englishman a Printer here Sayes, Who is employed in interpreting all such lettres. and it seemes the Substance of yours nott pleasing them they haue kept it vp. But that is nott So strange if you knewe the bad Wage and vnworthy entertainement we receaue of this people; for neuer Were men of fashion So dealt With; They haue Shut vs vp in a bad Iayle where we are So fast locked With Strong guardes, and enclosed like birds in a Iron Cage, that except it be the good Will and pleasure of the Burgermaisters, (But a Sparrow) No Creature can Speake With vs, nor bring vs any newes; you may Judge Sir in what Care I can be hauing no more fauour shewne me, nor liberty; as prisoners of this Sort are accustomed to haue; I believe never any of the Kings officers were So Scurvily handled by vs, May there are any of ours So vnchristianly treatted in the other Toumes, only we here find the extremities of Tyranie; But I hope a Time yet shall Come When I shall See all wrongs repayred, You will be pleased Sir to remonstrate my Care vnto His Highnes, and present my humble Service vnto him, I dare not say any more for this Time for feare of being importune; Only I kiss yr hands and desire to heare from you if it be possible, Mean While be Confident there is no man at liberte Who is more Iustly deboulded vnto you, then is in prison

Merklin 21 of August. Inl. 1656.

your most humble and ever obliged Seruant

J Sandelordis

A Monsieur.

Monsieur de Zuilichem premier Secretair
et Conseiller de Son Altesse.
a L'Armee.

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