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582/22 Bruxelles , le 8 février 1925. Monsieur, Mous n'avons pas connaissance du tableau de Van Honthorst La Cruche vide auquel vous faites al usion; et regrettons de ne pouvoir vous fournir aucun renseignement à ce sujet. Vous serait-il possible de préciser dans quel Musée existe l'original de cette composition dent vous possédez laoréplique. Agréez, Monsieur, l'assurance de mes sentiments très distingués. Le Conservateur-adjoint, A Monsieur Ernest GODFREY, 69 Cotham Hill. BRISTOL. (England).

69, Cotham Hill,

Bristol,

England.

Jan. 19th, 1923.

Dear Sir,

I should be very grateful if you could inform me, whether you have, in your National Collection of Pictures, the original picture by Van Honthorst, entitled, "The Empty Jug". I have in my possession, a picture of such title & attributed to this artist. It is for sale on behalf of a relative of a well known Peer of the Realm. The history can be traced for over 200 years, as being in the hands of an English Aristocratic family. I beg to enclose coupon, if you will kindly reply.

If this should be the original, it can be sent to London for inspection, & offered to your Government.

Yours faithfully,

Ernest Godfrey

The Curator,
National Picture Gallery.
Brussels