Letter from Alfred Asseline to Adolphe Royer, 1840

Paper, ink

Translation:

March 22, 1840

My Dear Friend,

The Prince Royal was so satisfied with both the outcome of the business you agreed to take on and the manner in which you dealt with it that he would like to give you a token of his appreciation in memory of your kind service. Knowing of your love for the arts and artists, His Royal Highness thought that it might please you to receive from him a group by our friend Barye. Please accept it, my dear Mr. Royer, despite the little importance you accord to the truly great service that you rendered. To do otherwise, you would hurt H.R.H.'s feelings, and mine as well, considering how pleased I am that he chose me to be the one to convey his gratitude toward you.

Yours truly,

A. Asseline

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