

Euler to Wettstein  
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Letter 260(2761)

[...] I had wished to postpone my answer to the honor of you own letter that I received of 15 August until I will have received from Mr. Fasch in relationship to the geographical maps which you have already sent from London. But as Mr. Fasch has not written a word concerning this matter to Mr. Splittgerber with whom he maintains a regular correspondence, I am distressed that the whole package might have been lost while on the trip to London from Amsterdam, and I feel that I had to notify you as soon as possible so that you might make the necessary inquiries. I should be desperately unhappy if this matter, which has already caused you so much trouble, should continue to inconvenience you.

Furthermore I have the satisfaction to tell you that the tobacco has happily arrived for some time now and that I find it excellent, it is for that reason that I repeat my thanks.

The Baron Vernezobre is fatefully sick with dropsy and there is little reason to believe that he will live more than a few days, which is the reason why I have not seen him for a long time. However, before his illness overcame him, I gave him your regards as you instructed, and he in return instructed me to reciprocate the most sincere regards that he has for you.

Mr. d'Andrie is in perfectly good health and enjoys the full measure of the king's graces, he provides you with his most humble regards.

I am particularly grateful, Sir, for the kindness that you showed to our young astronomer Grischow, it is true that I promised him a letter for you, however when I learned of his departure from Paris, it was too late to send it to Paris and I was only informed of his address while in London when it was no longer of any value.

Count Kayserling is also very disappointed that the cause for which you of have been willing to work for him, has put you through such trying searching which apparently might still cause you to do more. I have been instructed to make a thousand excuses and as many compliments on his behalf. As for our genealogical almanacs, it is true that it will be difficult to make any changes whatsoever, since they are approved to be sold in the countries where there is the greatest profit and before any great sale is

guaranteed to England, it would not be worth the expense to makes the required changes. Furthermore the old style still finds itself is all sorts of our almanacs.

I request that you present my sincerest regards to your wife, Mr. President Folkes and all the dignified members of the RS and that I have the honor to present on behalf of my family, who remain with the perfect consideration [...]

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