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May 14, 1953

Dear Sir:

How extremely kind of you to have answered me so promptly and in so very charming a manner. I do hope that in the meantime you have received the catalogue of the Illuminated Manuscripts from the d'Arenberg collection. I have just checked on the date at which it was forwarded. It left on May 5th by registered ordinary mail (by ship). However, should this not be the case and should you be under the impression that it has gone astray do not hesitate to let me know and I shall forward you, at once, another copy.

You are calling my attention to the special studies you have undertaken of French and Netherland miniatures and of your desire to obtain a certain number of photographs besides the reproductions you will find in the catalogue. It gives me much pleasure to send you herein three photographs of pages from the finest French manuscript we have in the collection; namely number 83. When you will have had an opportunity to look at the catalogue if you will be good enough to let me know which manuscripts of the Netherlands you would like to have photographs of I would be glad to forward them to you.

I am most anxious, of course, to hear of your first reaction to the quality and interest of the MSS you will find mentioned.

As I believe wrote you previously, Numbers 1, 21, 22 and 79 are no longer available, but I feel certain that you find many other books of most stimulating beauty to say the least.

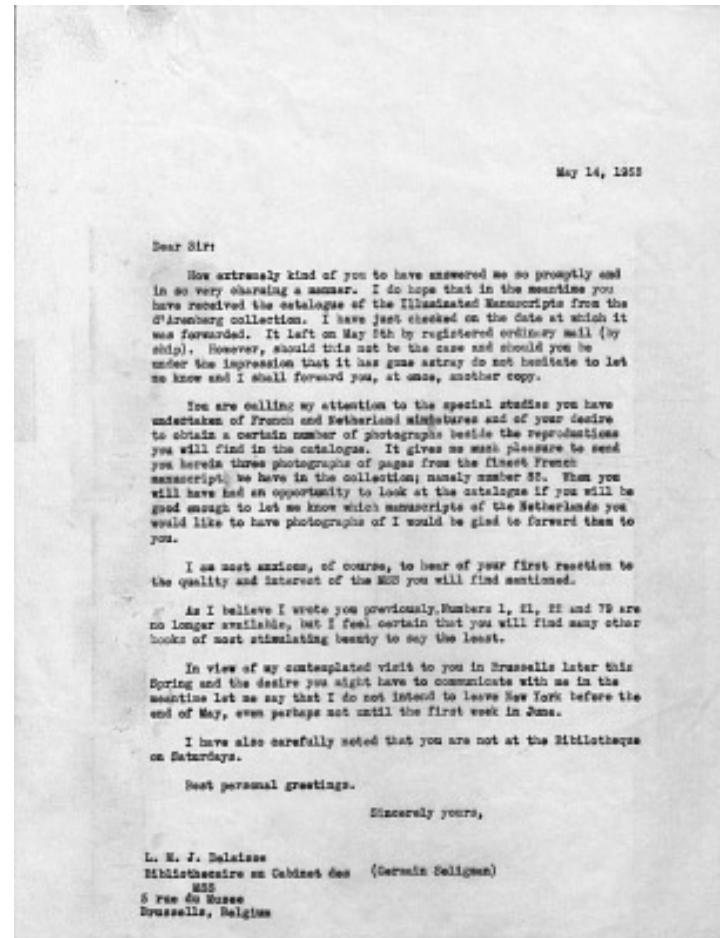
In view of my contemplated visit to you in Brussels later this Spring and the desire you might have to communicate with me in the meantime let me say that I do not intend to leave New York before the end of May, even perhaps not until the first week in June.

I have also carefully noted that you are not at the Bibliotheque on Saturdays.

Best personal greetings.

Sincerely yours,  
(Germain Seligman)

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