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28th September, 1937.

My dear Friend,

First of all I wish to apologise for my delayed reply to your very kind letter of the 17th of September, and I also wish to thank you most heartily for your promptness in sending me the very nice little reproduction of my picture of the Duchess of Northumberland and the pleasant note you were good enough to write about it.

It just happens that I have been asked to allow a photographer to come and take some photographs of me in the studio and this will be done on the 4th of October. I will let you have a print as soon as is possible after that date for the Hungarian Quarterly. I will be taken surrounded by my works. I look forward to seeing your article in this important review as I know that coming from your pen it will be in the right spirit.

It was a great pleasure to receive the splendid photographs which you so kindly sent me and which will always be a delightful souvenir of the visit which you and your dear wife and Dr. Kornis paid to us here. I appreciate your attention very much. Alas, ^{the} beautiful peaceful days here are at an end. Just now, when Nature is changing into her golden garments I could have loved to remain. This season of the year it seems to me might be compared with a noble soul, who has done his

duty in life and who is looking back with satisfaction and happiness, enjoying his advancing age. I have certainly benefited very much from my stay here and we have had the great joy of having our friends come to visit us and our family to stay from time to time. To-day, we return home, and I will resume my work although I must still be very careful to avoid over exertion. In addition to some important works in the studio I will be preparing for the opening of my Exhibition in aid of the Artists Benevolent Institution and the London Hospital on the 23rd of November. I will concentrate on making a selection from the works I have done during the last three or four years. This will be an added activity, and in the early days of January we will leave London for the South of France, where I hope our friend Dr. Legrady will understand my situation and will see his way to accepting our suggestion and give us the pleasure of having him as our guest. And there in these delightful and peaceful surroundings at Cap Martin it will be a great joy to paint a portrait of him, and an added pleasure too having an opportunity to become more closely acquainted with him. I look forward to hearing from him very much.

May I ask, were the photographs a success which your wife took at Lord Leconfield's Place - the interiors? My wife

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joins me in our warmest greetings to you both,

Believe me,

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