

14^{me} Mars. 1930.

Hotel Ritz
Plaza de las Cortes
Barcelona



Cher Marquis de la Vega-Irujo.
C'est

Your Royal Highness.

Your delightful letter reached me here, where we are on holiday just before returning home. Will you ~~express~~ ^{accept} my best thanks for your most delightful letter. I was so glad to hear that the portrait reached its destination safely.

I can well imagine how beautiful it must be in South Africa at present, & how much your Royal Highness must feel leaving a place, where you are so much beloved.

Since a month we are away from home - we were for three weeks in the Riviera, enjoying the lovely atmosphere there.

Since a week we are here
in Barcelona to see the
magnificent Exhibition,
especially the national Pavilion
~~which is one of the~~ where we have
seen the richest art treasures
concentrated & which manifest
in the most glorious way
this people's great past.

From modern point of view,
they reveal nothing more beautiful
has been done, than the way
they apply electric light.

Beautiful at night are
the play of the waters -

~~The International Art Jury~~
4. B. H. I'm sure will be interested to hear that
In the Art Section, the International

^{my}
~~Art Section awarded me the~~
Grand Prix for my portraits, amongst
which are ~~the~~ ^{those} ~~portraits~~ of the
King & Queen of Spain. ~~and great~~
~~is my~~ ~~great~~ satisfaction,
~~that~~ ~~unexpectedly~~ I have ^{from London}
I received news a few days ago, that
I ^{have been} ~~was~~ elected President of the
R. S. B. A. which is a great moral
satisfaction to me. In this
season we have to shatter our
holiday & return home on
Sunday.

It is with great pleasure, that
we both look forward to the honor
of meeting you Royal H. on your
return. My wife asks me to
thank you for your kind greetings.

~~I believe me~~
I have the honor to remain
Y. B. H. most devoted P. A. de L.