

LETTERS OF ERASMUS

[1517]

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 20 Orator Venetus et pariter cum suo Sagundino, qui nuper sudarunt,
 te maxime saluum cupiunt. Hoc idem Ammonius noster faciebat;
 sed, proh dolor, spacio octo horarum sudario morbo absumptus est,
 tanto animi mei moerore, tanta tristitia, vt nullo remedio solari
 queam. Sed quid vis fieri? sic est mortalium cursus. Vale, mi
 25 doctissime et candidissime Erasme, nomenque nostri apud te serua.
 Ex Antwerpia v Cal. Septemb. 1517.

640. To (JOHN PETER CARAFFA).

Louvain.

29 August (1517).

Deventer MS. 91, f. 55 v^o.

LB. App. 171.

[It seems clear that this letter is addressed to Caraffa, who was now presum-
 ably in Middelburg (Ep. 628. 54 n.); and to whom, as a Neapolitan, the final
 wish would be appropriate. The fears expressed in ll. 3, 4 may be an attempt to
 convey the warning desired in Ep. 628. 55-7.
 The year-date may be assigned from the mention of Erasmus' settlement at
 Louvain and his agreement with the theologians.]

S. P., reuerendissime Pater. Scripsi pridem celsitudini tuae.
 Si non mereor (epistolam), saltem fac sciam qua sis valetudine;
 cui nonnihil timeo ob coeli istius inclementiam, ab incolarum ingenio
 non abhorrentis. Nos Louanii in mediis theologis viuimus, grati
 5 certe primis et, vt videtur, omnibus. Vtinam aliquis deus amicus
 nos aliquando iungat in museis Neapolitanis! Bene vale, decus
 litterarum et religionis. Louanii 4. Cal. Sept.

Erasmus Ro.

641. To GEORGE HALEWIN.

Auctarium p. 185.

F. p. 159; HN: Lond. iii. 27; LB. 264.

Louvain.

29 August (1517).

[1517 because of the migration to Louvain.

George (a. 1473 — Sept. 1536), Lord of Halewin through his father, and of
 Comines through his mother, who was a niece of the historian, and governess
 to Mary of Burgundy and Philip the Fair. His position required of him some
 duties at Court; and he accompanied Charles to Spain at this time (Ep. 794. 84,5).
 After his wife's death he was persuaded to take orders in 1519; but the proposal
 to make him Bp. of Tournay was not carried out. In 1520 he attended Charles
 to the Field of the Cloth of Gold (Brewer iii. 907); and he was still at Court in
 1522 (EE. 6), and perhaps in 1524 (Brewer iv. 457). But his interests were
 literary, and he preferred to spend his life in retirement on his estates, which
 lay between Ypres and Courtray. By Oct. 1508 he had composed a *Restauratio*

640. 2. epistolam addidi in fine versus.

5. certe MS.: etiam LB.

639. 20. Orator] Giustinian; see Ep.
 559 introd.Sagundino] See Ep. 574 introd.
 sudarunt] See Giustinian's dis-
 patches; Brewer ii. 3558, and Brown
 ii. 950.22. octo horarum] Vannes (Ep. 623
 introd.), as a near relative, is the
 better authority. The discrepancy of
 twelve hours may easily be explained
 as a misunderstanding.

640. 6. Neapolitanis] Cf. Ep. 756. 18.

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