Letter 012a London, 12 November 1873

Dear Carolien,

Hearty congratulations on your birthday; no doubt it will be a festive day, this first birthday in your own home. I hope this will be a very good and happy year for you. I hope you received my last letter. Please write soon how everybody is; I am longing to hear something again.

Have you seen Theo? I heard he arrived at The Hague last Wednesday. Herewith a small contribution to your scrapbook. All is well with me, but I am up to my ears in work and have only a moment to spare. Greetings to all in the Poten; how I should like to look in on you today!

Wishing you the best of luck,

Yours truly, Vincent