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My dear Mr. De Boon,

I enclose post card which I received from Messrs. Houben of whom you bought the Cigars when at Brussels, & in which you will learn that in spite of your instructions to the Authorities when you left London the Cigars were still detained by the Customs at Liverpool as late as the 4th of Nov.

In my last letter to Messrs. Houben, which was in reply to the enclosed card, I told them that I considered

it best for them to instruct the Customs at Liverpool to return the Cigars to them, to be eventually handed over to your Brother Dr. de Boon - I did this for the reason that I thought this plan was far safer than to send the Cigars on to you as I thought they might be lost altogether transiting through America - I mentioned in the event of this not being practicable that they might ^{if found more convenient} be sent to me from Liverpool & I would take charge of them for you - Anyhow, they were to advise me what was done but up to the present I have heard nothing - Do you know if Dr. de Boon has received them?

I was delighted that