

The two Roman pots from the Rhine I
thought very characteristic & they are certainly
G no because they are so very like in fabric
to the pots made by the Romans in Hampshire
& the Marston. Cologne and Treves were
the real capitals of Rome north of the
Alps and it was to the Rhine rather
than to Italy that Roman Britain was
~~to~~ attached.

I want you also to notice the 2 Roman
rings I was told at Cologne that ~~they~~ their
evidence to show there was a manufacture
of these rings on the Rhine in Roman
times. They are found chiefly at Singy
Belgium. & I thought the 2 specimens I got
were exceptionally good ones. You must not
keep these things out of consideration to me
I will gladly have them if you don't want
them but I thought they filled up 2 or 3 gaps
in your collection & I thought also I secured
them at a reasonable price

Amos.
July 9, 1891.

1760

Deutsche Leibes
Mannschaft.
Nov 2³ / 91

My dear General.

Many thanks for your note
and for the cheque which arrived quite rapidly
I have not heard about fresh trouble
with the guards at first hand but I feel sure
that things are not as they should be. It is
I am told ~~to~~ the fact that the majority
of the non commissioned officers are so young
and inexperienced. They have introduced an
innovation which I think sensible
namely that a battalion of the Guards is
in future to be always stationed in the
Mediterranean.

a few words more about the curios. I
was a little afraid you might think the
best of them dear tho I did not know how

For you had studied them. As a matter
of fact there were some which represent
almost every style and remarkable & I
feel sure ~~Franko~~ would have jumped at
them. Next time you go to the Museum
you must look at what they have got. You
will see one or two I gave them some time
ago. You will see others at Serice in
the Museum and also at Nuremberg.
They are mostly stamped with makers names
and were made ~~long~~ either in Swabia
or South Germany. They were made in
imitation I believe of Brito silver dishes
and it is curious how closely allied some
of the designs are to those on the Flinders
pots. They have figures of electors with
the emperor in the middle etc etc.

I believe Gripps told me he had made a
collection of the marks on them. & or I of you
must have been very carefully put aside
in linen as they are wonderfully fresh.
It is curious that in England & apparently
in France where pewter was so much used
they should not have made plates with these
varied designs. The English & French
specimens I have seen are decorated with
incised coats of arms chiefly. You must
not hold me responsible for their price
as I showed you the note from the dealer
and you asked me to send you them
& in my view I think they are very cheap

The other things I bought for myself
& when I unpacked them I thought they
were much more suitable to your collection

Your kind and most hospitable wife
I shall not readily forget my very happy
visit to you & I hope if you can
make any use of me you will do
so & that you will let me come & see you again

Yours most truly

Henry H. Horrocks

2760

I now want to mention something
else. I have had offered to me a rather
remarkable & interesting collection of things
~~it~~ & I am going to buy some of them for
myself. They are a class of objects which I
found greatly valued things made for the
great Japanese daimios who as you know
are all ruined & are selling off. The choicest
Japanese work I have seen is that which
was devoted to the ornaments etc used by
these old nobles of Japan. & in a very short
time they will all have disappeared. The things
I am referring to are 2 saddles made of
wood and covered with beautiful old laker
birds etc. and some of those fine stirrups
which you have seen no doubt, great box stirrups
entirely covered with lovely designs and
all different. You have laker on them others

a kind of rills others are unlaid with
mother of pearl etc

I don't care to keep pairs of stirrups for
they are by things and one of a kind
is enough for me. I am going to remove
a saddle and some of the stirrups. Would
you like any of these things. I ~~could~~
think there ~~are~~ are two saddles of
which you would have one and 2 pairs
of stirrups of which I should like to keep
a specimen of each. The saddle & I think
would come I think to about £20.0.0

I only mention this because I thought
you might like to have an opportunity
of securing them. You can see a
saddle of a similar kind 1. 2 or 3

stirrups in the British Museum. Perhaps
you will let me know

I was dining with Franks on Friday
He was talking much about you and saying
he thought as we all think you are a most
remarkable person in knowledge & enthusiasm
Franks is unhappy that you should become
President of the Antiquaries. I think you
are under some misapprehension as to his
having objected to your things remaining
in London. He spoke to me in very different
terms & I think I know him better than
anybody. You would I know have been
pleas'd to hear the very complimentary terms
in which you were spoken of.

Pray give my very very kind regards to