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Professor Raymond J. Eastwood
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My Dear Eastwood:

Perhaps about 25 years ago, I noticed a very beautiful picture and commented upon its beauty. The picture, at that time, was owned by Harry Weyermuller and was hanging in his billard hall. Recently the billard hall changed hands and the new owner came to me saying that Mr. Weyermuller had spoken of my admiration for the picture and that if I wanted it, I could have it. Now having it, I really have no suitable place to hang it. The picture has the name "V. Tojetti" and the original was evidently painted in 1892. The picture seems to me to be a hand painted and retouched drawing, containing a lot of semi-nude women of great beauty.

I shall be glad to have you see this picture and, if you would like to have it for your studio, I shall be happy to give it to you. The nudes are of the modest type, similar in treatment to the nudes that you have in your studio. I shall have the picture wrapped and retained at my office where you may see it and I think you will agree with me that it is a beautiful picture.

Sincerely yours,

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