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**Letter from Ralph B. LeCocq to Nelson Nieuwenhuis, January 27,  
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Mr. Nelson Nieuwenhuis, Curator,  
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Dear Mr. Nieuwenhuis:

Under separate cover I am mailing to you a book of poetry and some pages of writings. I am unable to decipher these, but I believe these <sup>were</sup> written by an uncle of my father, John Le Cocq of Pella, Iowa, a brother of my grandfather. If these are worth something because of the fancy handwriting you can put them into the collection.

I also enclose letter from Majorie McQuillen, the nurse who accompanied my brother, Dr. John Le Cocq, when he went to the East Indies on the good ship, HOPE. This letter should go with the newspaper article and picture of Dr. John which I sent you a couple of weeks ago.

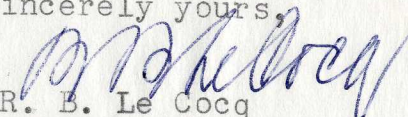
And now I come to both <sup>er</sup> you a bit. I am almost finished with my little booklet with the story of my life. I do not think this effort will bear much fruit, but it might be of some interest to members of my family and if it does not turn out too bad I will send a booklet to you for your collection. The publisher advises me that it would enhance the value of such a booklet if there were a few photos in it. So I would very much appreciate if you would send me the following:

1. Photo of myself sitting in a little wagon, with my oldest brother standing by and Harry Markus, a cousin, and the old dog, Pop.
2. Photo of entire family standing and sitting on the front porch of the home in which all the boys were born- the old homestead home in Harrison.
3. Picture of entire family, parents, sons and wives and children at the reunion banquet in Washington.
4. First calf vaccination at my farm.
5. Photo of Harrison Baseball team, showing my oldest brother and myself as members of the team.

I hope this does not entail too much trouble for you. I enclose a dollar for postage; if more advise me.

Thanking you kindly. No hurry; you can do this at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

  
R. B. Le Cocq