

**'Ruck, Arthur'**

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RUCK, ARTHUR

'16/'17

H.M.M. Official

14 February 1917.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your letter of the 13th inst. with reference to the oil painting, and note that the amount offered is accepted. If you will kindly have the picture delivered here at the Museum between 10.30 and 12. on Friday morning, and send a receipted account, I will have a cheque ready for the amount on delivery.

Thanking you for the trouble you have taken in the matter,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Mr. A. Ruck,  
4. Berkeley Street,  
Piccadilly, W.



ARTHUR RUCK,  
AGENT FOR THE PRIVATE SALE  
OF IMPORTANT WORKS OF ART.  
TEL: MAYFAIR 687.  
CODE: A.B.C. 5TH EDITION.

4, BERKELEY STREET,  
PICCADILLY,  
LONDON, W.

13th February 1917.

C.J.S. Thompson Esq.,  
The Wellcome Historical Medical Museum,  
54a, Wigmore Street,  
W.

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for yours of the 9th inst.

I duly communicated your offer of thirty eight pounds to Mr. Seaton Taylor, and having regard to the fact that the picture might serve a very useful purpose hanging in your Museum he has asked me to accept. I shall be glad therefore if you will kindly let me have a cheque to complete the matter.

I would like to add that I am personally very pleased to think that the picture will now be added to your collection.

Will you kindly instruct me as to the delivery of the picture.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Arthur Ruck

Official H.M.M.

9 February 1917.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your letter of the 7th inst. with respect to the picture representing a surgical operation. I much regret I am unable to increase my offer to £50. as the owner suggests.

I need hardly point out to you that the painter of the picture is unknown and not authenticated, and that the subject is hardly a pleasant one that would commend itself to ordinary purchasers. At normal times it might have commanded the price now asked, but I think you will find that at the present time, it would be difficult to get even what I offer. As the picture is interesting from a professional point of view, I should be willing to meet the owner by increasing my offer to Thirty-eight Pounds, but that is the outside limit I could go to. If he is willing to accept this, kindly let me know, and I will forward you a cheque for the amount.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

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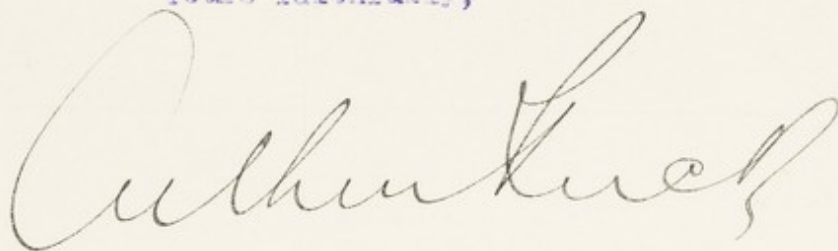
Dear Sir,

I have now heard from Mr. Seaton Taylor  
respecting your offer of £35. for the picture  
you saw here.

Having regard to the fact that the  
picture will serve a useful purpose at your  
Museum he is prepared to advise his Grandmother  
to reduce the original price asked to £50. I  
shall be very glad if you can see your way to  
increase your offer to this figure and secure  
the picture.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours faithfully,

A large, elegant handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Arthur Ruck', is written in dark ink. The signature is fluid and expressive, with a large initial 'A' and a long, sweeping tail.

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4, BERKELEY STREET,  
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LONDON, W.

Jan 1877

Dear Sir,

I have for sale an Italian  
or perhaps French oil painting of  
the 17th Century depicting some sort  
of surgical operation.

I gathered from Mr. More  
Ades of the Burlington some little  
time ago that such a subject might  
be of interest to you.

If this picture is likely  
to interest you will you kindly  
arrange to call when I shall be  
pleased to show it to you.

Perhaps you can phone  
me up before doing so as I  
would like to be in to see you when  
you call.

The Curator  
Barrow's Welcome  
Museum  
54, Wyndham St

Yours faithfully

Arthur Ruck



W.H.M.E.

Jan. 19th, 1916

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 18th inst. I will endeavour to look in and see the picture you mention on Monday or Thursday afternoon next week, between 2 and 3.30 P.M., but I will phone you on Monday morning and let you know the day.

Faithfully yours,

Mr. Arthur Ruck,  
4, Berkeley Street,  
Piccadilly.



RUCK, ARTHUR.

Ruck



Wigmore St.

24 January 1917.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the oil painting  
you kindly allowed me to inspect yesterday  
I should be willing to offer Thirty-five  
Pounds for it. I am aware that this is  
small, but its interest to me being only  
its subject, it is the best I can do.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

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Piccadilly, W.