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Dear Lanier,

I am embarrassed to be writing so late to thank you for your lovely letter of last June and for the copy of your latest publication on Duchamp. I discovered it only yesterday, quite by chance, on a shelf in the department office where I never look for my mail. No one had told me it was there all this time.

Anyway, I appreciate your sending the book, which I've already begun to read with great interest and admiration for your mastery of the esoteric material. This is also a handsomely produced book, a pleasure in an age of impoverished publications.

I retired three years ago and since then have been teaching one course a year as emeritus. The course I'm currently teaching is the last one I'll do. It's on Modern Art and Tradition, and I hope to be able to include Duchamp and Leonardo.

Many thanks again, and all the best,

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