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8 Dorset Place
Dorset Sq. N.W.
Dec. 1st 1860

My dear Sir

Having at last arranged
for our Gallery and time of receiving
pictures I write to you and enclose
a circular. I think if the pictures
are sent off so as to arrive in London
about a week before the time
specified say about the 15th or 16th
of Jan^y that will do and we shall
be sure of them. Never before having
had any thing to do with French pictures
will you kindly write and tell me what
duties if any there will be to pay and
so arrange it that they may be left
at the warehouse ~~at the warehouse~~
can go down and bring them to the
Gallery direct. I am sure we are
much obliged by the trouble you have
taken and very pleased with the
success so I shall look forward to

have some nice figure pictures. I
am very sorry about Rosa Bonheur
as she so graciously promised us, as
try her again, as I am so anxious
to have her name in the Catalogue, I
hope however that the drawing will
not fail us. We shall be delighted
to have Madame Peyrol's pictures
of "Dus Cogs" & such the Gentleman
for whom its repaired will lend it us
for a couple of months. I wish Madame
Henriette Browne would let us
have something, however small she
could paint one in so short and I
am sure we should sell it, as we
are well patronized now by the
Nobility and well known, particularly
having the same Gallery as last year
and which is certainly the best in
London. Could we get any thing
from Mad^{lle} Louise Bourges (a pupil
of Ed. Frère) - or Ernestine Houet?
or M^{lle} Jeanne Meas, pupil of
Rosa Bonheur? -

When the pictures are sent off
will you be so good as to send me
word what you have expended
in fact that we shall be indebted
to you and I will strain a cheque
from the Committee as soon
as possible afterwards -
I think if we can get, not more
than a dozen foreign pictures
figures or animals, we shall do
very well. Let me hear again
when you have any good news to
give me and believe me
My dear Sir

Yours faithfully
E. Dundas Murray

I should have written before but
your letter had no address and
I had mislaid your former one.