

Letter 283
The Hague, c. 4 – 6 May 1883

Dear Theo,

I suppose you will be busy for the Salon – I saved up a stamp on purpose, to be able to write to you once more.

I have written to friend Rappard, but of course no answer as yet; in ordinary cases he sometimes waits a month before he answers.

If you are strained yourself, send me less than usual if it must be; but send it as soon as possible. For next week I have an arrangement with Van der Weele to go and paint in the dunes – he will show me a few things which I do not know yet.

I have been working in the dunes for some days, but I long for a model: otherwise I cannot go on.

In short, I feel rather worried. So write as soon as possible. As for the work, I am getting on pretty well, and I think you would like some of the drawings I have on hand now.

I wish you might have some good luck, boy, for I know you are having a hard time too. Best wishes, adieu, I must set to work – out-of-doors.

Yours sincerely, Vincent

I shall soon write you at greater length about some things. There seems to be something the matter with the woman in regard to what I told you about her mother; perhaps it is nothing. I do not know what it is myself, but it is another thing that worries me. Write soon, boy, for it is very unpleasant to be without a cent. It makes trifles take on the biggest proportions.