Arbois, (Jura), 9th September 1883

My Dear Architect,

I am keen to thank you for your very friendly letter. If you wanted to [*grow*] or plant a few bushes in the [*reserved*] squares, I would approve everything you have decided. I have great confidence in your taste.

Certainly, I will take over the matter of the extension of the laboratory in the Rue d'Ulm and I thank you for your good will on this matter.

As long as old age does not deprive me of the necessary strength, I want to try everything to put French science, in the [?] of my studies, at the forefront. With my thanks, please receive the new assurance of my very [*affectionate*] sentiments

L. Pasteur

To Mr. J. [*Bouchoir*] architect at the Ecole Normale [*Pyrénéennes*]