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Mr. Agustin Basave
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Dear Mr. Basave:

I really feel very much flattered that you want to write a biographical sketch about me, and I would have responded in the affirmative if I had not made it a matter of principle to avoid any publicity which I possibly can avoid. Moreover you overestimate my reputation by an exceedingly high factor. Believe me, it is absolutely unjustified to regard me as one of "one hundred of the most famous men in the contemporary world". It would not even be true if you multiplied that number by a thousand.

Thanking you for your kindness and with best regards,

Very sincerely yours,

James Franck.
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