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# *Ransom*

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He died of a lung disease, caused by particulate matter from grinding lenses. Using laudanum at his death bed.

## *Inventory of possessions*

### *Furniture and artifacts*

1 bed, several small tables, a secretaire, an armoire, a bookcase, a painting (with a small tronie), a chess game, a barometer, binoculars, some telescopes in bad condition, a candle holder, inkwells with feathers

### *Linens*

1 pillow, 2 cushions, 6 pillowcases, 2 sheets, 1 bedspread, 2 towels, 2 blankets (white and red), 2 cloth curtains

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## *Clothing*

2 pairs of shoes (black and gray) with silver buckles,  
7 shirts, 2 sets of underclothes, 1 black and 1 coloured  
Turkish cloak, 1 black and 1 coloured pair of cloth trousers,  
1 pair of black silk stockings, 14 pair of linen socks,  
20 collars, 10 pair of cuffs, 2 black hats, a black cape with a  
pair of gloves, 1 striped travel bag, 1 cotton wool hat,  
5 cotton nose wipes, a cotton tie with 2 collars

## *Catalogue*

*(160 books in Spanish, Dutch, Hebrew, French and Latin)*  
Bibles, Talmudic literature, Jewish and Christian theology,  
Aristotle, Zeno's Sophos, Cicero, Letters of Seneca, Ovid,  
Descartes, Hobbes, dictionaries, thesauruses, lexicons,  
works on politics, history, philosophy, anatomy, astrology,  
physics, optics, Petronius's Satyricon and Virgil's Opera

*The proceeds of the auction were 430 guilders and  
13 stuivers. After auction costs there remained  
390 guilders, 14 stuivers and 8 pennies.*

*The proceeds of the auction will be used to pay the RANSOM  
needed to free the human mind from a PERSONAL GOD.*