

0299. LEOPOLD MOZART TO HIS WIFE, SALZBURG

Vienna, 22<sup>nd</sup> *Sept.*,  
1773.

I already see that I will not be able to leave before Friday<sup>1</sup> or even before Saturday, for today we finally drove out, for once, to Rothmühle,<sup>2</sup> [5] at half past 11 at midday, and returned after 7 o'clock in the evening. So tomorrow it will be impossible to get everything in order, so I will probably leave on Saturday. Everyone commends themselves! I do not know what else I can write about. I am writing in haste at young Herr von Messmer's,<sup>3</sup> with whose wife<sup>4</sup> we were at Rothmühle.

[10] Accordingly, keep well, all of you! I am hurrying so as not to miss the post, so this will be my last letter. We commend ourselves to all good friends, both gentlemen and ladies, within and beyond the house. We kiss you both many 10000000 times and I am as always your Mzt mp.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> BD: 24<sup>th</sup> September, 1773.

<sup>2</sup> BD: The country estate of Dr. Franz Anton Mesmer (1734-1815), the famous "magnetizer" and healer, by Schwechat (Deutsch Bild No. 261), cf. Nos. 0289/54, 0292/22.

<sup>3</sup> BD: Joseph Conrad Mesmer (1735-1804), school director at St. Stephan's. A distant relative of Dr. Franz Anton Mesmer.

<sup>4</sup> BD: Therese, née Steiner.

<sup>5</sup> mp = manu propria = in his own hand.