

Letter written by Sergeant Isaac-Henri Bismuth, colonial regiment from Morocco, fallen on the field of honor, 24 October 1916, at Fort Douaumont

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Dear brother

I believe that this is the last letter that I will write. I am leaving tomorrow, at 10 o'clock, by auto, for Verdun. And I'll probably go into the front line that night. We'll attack in two or three days. I can assure you that I'll carry out my duty. We're attacking to capture fort Douaumont. Well, we'll take it, we'll defend it, and then, we'll have the Boche.

I'm letting the raincoat that Mrs. Sebah kindly paid me to a good woman who lives in Stainville. If something bad happens to me, you can reclaim it. Here is the address: Mrs. Gallois, rue Nationale, 57' Stainville (Meuse).

I am leaving with enthusiasm and the hope for victory; I have a mission to fill, and I'll fill it to the very end.

I am confident in our victory, and I assure you that we will win.

My Regards, etc..

Your brother,
Henri Bismuth