

L.S.J.M.J.

14-5

Since I am writing to your sister Mme Léontine, I shall address a few lines to you also, my dear daughter. I like to persuade myself that you are going courageously forward, and that even when you do not feel any devotion, you are following in the light of faith, the route marked out for you by the Rule and your common sense. I also like to think you have the time to study and have made progress since we saw each other.

My dear daughter, give me some news about all these matters and about all that may be useful to me for guiding you along the way of perfection. You know, very dear Child that you have in me an ever very devoted Father in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

C. G. Van Crombrughe

30th January 1856