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Your last letter, my dear Child, gave me real satisfaction. May the good God be blessed for giving you the courage to overcome the difficulties that corrupt nature, together with the devil, has aroused in you. You must have seen, since calm is restored to your heart, that one has no real security except in humble submission to the arrangements of divine Providence and in a generous will to sacrifice all the feelings that would be opposed to those adorable views of the Lord.

The only thing that I recommend to you now is to make sure you remember the lesson so that in future you will be able to forestall the renewal of similar indirect attacks of the enemy.

Receive my blessing and believe in the sincere devotedness of

Your Father in Jesus Christ

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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Pay my respects to your Mme Superior; I have nothing to write to her about at the moment and she knows I have not much leisure.