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My dear Sister Clothilde

You have good reason to say that letters from my children give me great pleasure. Yes, my dear Clothilde, these letters please me greatly and yours interest me very eagerly, because of your young age, and the little time you have had to form yourself, they show clearly that you could have special need of me. I agree to your proposal, so every month send me an account of what concerns you.

In a little while I shall go see you. Prepare for that time all that you want to tell me. In the meantime, count on my devotedness and receive my blessing.

Your spiritual Father

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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