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My dear daughter in Our Lord Jesus Christ

I have seen with pleasure that your zeal for the good of your pupils is increasing and being purified. May our good God be blessed for that! It is another effect of his mercy; it is a fresh grace for which you must thank him.

Please thank the children of our cousin Spitaels for the New Year greetings they sent me. It is not possible for me to write to all those who send me greetings for certain of the big feast. You understand that, but I ask you to make those children whose letters you sent me to understand it.

Give my friendly greetings to the Madame Superior and all your dear sisters.

Your devoted Father in Jesus Christ

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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