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Madame Superior

My health is excellent, though I am suffering from neuralgia. I hope that trouble will leave me little by little and will not leave any trace behind it.

Mme Superior General wrote to me that the trial is not causing her any great anxiety. We will know before long what to expect.

You will take care to forbid your mistresses to fast. In case of doubt, you will ask your confessor for dispensations.

Mme Angèle is not enjoying perfect health.

Receive with my greetings for the season, my blessing for you, my dear daughter, and all your sisters.

Your devoted Father in Jesus Christ C. G. Van Crombrugghe

Ghent, 15th February 1858

The mama of the late Mme Félicité died last Saturday at Grammont.