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Observations

The temporary move of Mlle Justine has led me to reflect on the needs of the novices. Nothing profitably takes the place of the practices in common use in the novitiate. So, nothing can sanction the employment of the novices outside the novitiate in the first year of the novitiate. A very great need is required in the second year. In all cases the novices must correspond regularly and with complete freedom (which means that no one sees that correspondence) with the mistress of novices, and as far as possible, they spend the holidays at the novitiate.

It will be useful to ask Mme Adèle for clarification on these matters.

You have forgotten to inform the Rev Mother Superior of the Sisters of St Joseph of the death of Mme Apolline and perhaps also that of Mme Adélaïde.

(In the Founder's hand)

M (name crossed out) will tell you how much the novices are neglected at (place crossed out but one can read Schaerbeek). Nowhere are they given the care which they have a right to, when they are not in the novitiate.