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Madame Superior

While waiting for the letters from your postulants, my dear Lady, I am taking advantage of the fact that I am sending a letter to Mme Superior General, to tell you that Mlle Marie, the governess at cousin Henri's, will be coming to Coloma for the clothing ceremony on the 8th of December. She will be accompanied by Louise, Gabrielle and Julienne. They will arrive in the morning and will leave in the afternoon. They are not to have any privileged. (Name crossed out) seems to have announced to her cousin (name crossed out) that she (name crossed out) will work things so that her cousin can spend a few days at Coloma. Take care to refuse all exceptions for that young Lady who is very irresponsible. (Name crossed out) must not know I am writing to you about this matter. That (name crossed out) is so inconsiderate. She (half a line obliterated by fold of letter) her friends and relatives.

Receive my blessing, dear niece, and believe in my devotedness in Jesus Christ.

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

Ghent, 23rd November 1860

Tell my god-daughter, I beg you, that I do not forget her in the presence of the Lord. Please give me news of Victorine.