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I thank you, my dear daughter in Jesus Christ, for the pious wishes you have sent me. I am very touched also by the good wishes you offered me on behalf of my beloved great-nieces. I offered the august sacrifice of the Mass today in thanksgiving for the help our good God grants me through so many fervent prayers addressed to him on my behalf. I then, in my turn, recommended to our very merciful Jesus all of you, my dear Children, and all those pupils who have had the charity to pray for me.

You will please, be the interpreter of my feelings to your worthy Sisters and my beloved relatives. I rejoice at the thought that we will soon have the pleasure of seeing each other at Ghent. The embarrassment that will necessarily be caused by the presence of the individuals about whom you wrote to me, will be rewarded by the sentiments you inspire, and the blessings our good Master Jesus Christ will shower on the Institute in view of the act of charity and devotion to the cause of religion that you will have performed.

I give you, my dear daughter, your worthy Sisters and my nieces, my blessing in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Your very devoted spiritual Father

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

Ghent, 28th July 1863

Here are 100 francs: Balance of account 1. of Mlle d'Halluin..... 93,50
2. to be given the same..... 6,50

frs 100,00

As before long, Mme Superior General will be coming to Ghent, I will give her the 100 francs mentioned above.

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