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(Dictated letter)

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Madame Superior

In reply to your last letters, I have the pleasure of repeating to you the consoling things you have learned since the visit of Charles and Pauline. Everything continues as one would wish it to do at the house of your mama and her children. It is really consoling to see the wisdom of the mother and the submission of your brothers and sisters. Your two nephews have prepared themselves very carefully for their First Communion. That great act will leave a profound impression on the minds and hearts of those good children.

Be kind enough to tell your Mme Superior that none of the names she suggests for the postulant Flore pleases me. I want you to choose one of the following: Léonie, Justine, Pauline, Julienne, Adrienne, Victorine.

Receive, my dear daughter, the wishes I offer for you, all your dear Sisters and my three nieces for the month of St Joseph and the solemnity of Easter. Ask Mme superior General to accept the same wishes that I address to her through you.

(In the Founder's hand)

Your Father in Jesus Christ
C. G. Van Crombrughe

Ghent, 22nd March 1864