

L.S.J.M.J.
(Dictated letter)

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Madame Superior

Your two letters and the three reports gave me great pleasure. I thank our good God for the graces he is deigning to shower down on you; I congratulate you on the consolations you are experiencing and I charge you to tell my nieces that their papa, brothers and sisters and I are very satisfied with the accounts you have had the satisfaction of giving us of these three good pupils. I thank you and I thank your cousins and Mme Flore for the good wishes you sent me. For my part, I am asking the Lord to shower his most abundant blessings on you and all your house.

(In the Founder's hand

Your devoted Father in Jesus Christ

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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