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I thank you for the good wishes you sent me in your own name and that of your Sisters. May the Lord deign to answer those prayers, and the ones I offered for you, all your religious family and the pupils who are entrusted to your motherly care. Please also offer my good wishes to the good Mlle. Colette, together with the assurance that I will never fail to remember her in my prayers. I was on the point of coming to offer all these wishes in person, but I cannot say when it will be possible for me to get the pleasure of making the journey to Alost, and dealing with a few points on the spot.

I have received the interest on your two shares and will send it to you when I get the opportunity.

Receive, very dear child, the blessing of

Your ever devoted Father in Jesus Christ

Ghent, 3rd November 1853