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Religiously addressed to
Our noble Brother
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Incomparable Servant of the Sovereign:

Do not be offended if I take the privilege to answer your highly esteemed recently dedicated to the Almighty and Beloved Master, for which the Utmost cannot express all His gratitude and contentment. As I have the Honor to inform you that His Majesty Has appointed me his secretary for the English correspondence, I beg of you not to be insulted if I am acquainted with your private affairs; but on the other hand you can be assured of my absolute discretion.

You never can image how Our Supreme Leader is attached to you. He keeps you intrinsically in his highest consideration, and says that you are a gentle and noble man in the double acception of the word. He knows your indomitable energy and devotion to the sacred cause, and bestows upon you an everlasting blessing and a perpetual protection. So you might be assured that you have conquered the celestial love of the Most High and can rejoiced for it. On your part, let us hope that you shall keep this ardor which animates you presently, and that you shall continuously be at the service of the Lord with the same flame that invigorates you now. We can rely on you because of your unvanquishable faith and sincerity. If the whole flock was as ardent as you are the world would be changed in a moment of time; but unfortunately very few comprehend the importance of an effective revival of the world, that you understand so well, and for which, you never can thanked enough. It is useless to repeat you incessantly our appreciation, because you know what the Holy Ghost operates in you. Is it marvellous!

As for what concern the daughter of the Most Powerful, He expressly recommends the greatest attention and care; in case of a failure, it would involve Him and the Mission into a Horrible persecution which might end in a disastrous situation. You must be acquainted with the hypocrisy and the perfidy of the Catholic Clergy, which efforts converge towards the destruction of the Mission. We never can tell what plan they tacitly elaborate to annihilate us. So we recommend you to be very careful on every respect. We appreciate your immense devotion and courage; but do not let your zeal be a weapon against the One you wish to protect. The world is terribly wicked and treacherous, and once in the tiger's claws, it is all over. The Great and Divine Master do not believe in a rapt. He does not want you to kidnap the girl, though He would like immensely to see her; but if she is willing without the mother be awared of it, to come to her father, well then it would be

correct in every respect. If the young lady gives her consent willingly and without using force, I mean, if you would succeed in engaging an intimate friendship with her, you could induce her in secrecy and without mentioning the place where her father lives, beseech her to come and see him who is longing for her. But I am afraid that this daring enterprise will not come to a favorable conclusion unless you succeed or happen to get in a very close intimacy with her, something like a betrothal or a marriage.

In last we rely on your extreme discretion and care, and if you see symptoms of danger, or if you foresee any suspicions on the mother's side, you would be better to drop the case entirely. We leave it to your discrimination, and good judgment. Remember the Scriptures' word about it: To be careful as the serpent and nimble as the dove. But anyhow we cannot thank you enough for all the disinterestedness you bring in your actions highly appreciated by the Supreme Father.

As for what you demand for your dear mother and grand-mother who is already an old lady, I think that the trip would be rather painful, hard, and would probably fatigue her exceedingly. Unfortunately the Sovereign Lord has not at present a presentable lodging for you now and request you with great courtesy to wait till about the first of September when He will be in a better position to give you a favorable lodging. If you decide to come up and live at Fall River, you would be as well to bring the ... **husband** with you, if you please.

*[Note manuscript:] I mean that, if you **don't mather, wishes** to come up, the **husband** is better to ... **the lady**.*

Before I close my letter I want to tell you how you are loved and what a great consolation you bring to Our Sovereign. You certainly are the servant by excellence and your reward will be accordingly, be assured of it. Now that you have recognised in the Master the Supreme Being what else could you demand on earth than to be at His service for eternity? What you have done already deserves, without flattery, our best congratulations, that I hope you will accept from us as the best testimonial of our cordial consideration and esteem. I beg of you to preserve in the depth of your heart and soul this fire of love and this burning essence of a religious enthusiasm which emanate from you as the purest incense that you present to the Lord. I wish I could find words expressive enough to demonstrate to you the unreachable grandeur and kindness of the paramount Master of us all. His divinity performs miracles continuously for us. Last Saturday night I was an ocular witness of a magnificent manifestation of his in the blue horizon of the sky. O brother who had the exceptional fortune of receiving the sacerdotal ministry of the Holy Ghost, please, remain in the holy dispositions in which you now are, and do never forget the greatness of the One who instructs us the lovely path to Salvation. You who know the sacred Wit how you must taste this delicious food of the truth which spread from the Master as the

morning dew from heaven. This nourishment is divine and apothetical and those who will feed themselves with it shall never die. Consequently they will never see the horrors of the trespassing Gehenna, this terrific pandemonium of tortures and punishments. No, you are the radiant angel with the flaming sword who carries the fire of light and love through the globe for its regeneration and its edificating welfare.

That God bless you, dear and beloved Brother of the body of the Lord and deign the Lord to bestow upon you the heavenly delights of paradise on earth for ever.

Your most affectionate coreligionary,

G. Robitaille

PS: If I forget any substantial thing that you desire to know write to me immediately and I will inform you of it with delight.