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Dear Victor:

Your letter arrived this morning. It is too bad you will not be coming this Saturday. But then perhaps the weather will be better on the 26th. Today is horrible, here. Cold and rainy. Let us hope that the other weekend will be better. In any case, the 26th is a fine date, as dates go. So I will be expecting you then, with the broadside.

I am glad the little book pleased Lexi and his friends. I shall take care of requests if and when they reach me. The fuller and more approved version in the big book is what they should use. Have you got Disputed Questions, by the way? I must have given it to you last time you were here, that was my intention. But I have suddenly forgotten what I actually did about it.

Father Abbot approves your friend making some furniture for us provided the price is reasonable. Could he for example give us an estimate on how much it will cost ~~him~~ us for him to copy your table? We can judge from that. There are splendid things in the pine furniture book. I shall be wanting some of the stools, and a desk. I think a big chest would be good: both as a seat and as storage. My biggest difficulty is: what to have on the porch. The usual sort of thing they put on porches is hideous. Perhaps it would just be best to carry out chairs from inside. I will want to know more about those people who make chairs back in the hills.

I do hope it will not be too cold on the 26th.

Best wishes to you both, as ever, and blessings.

Cordially yours in Christ

*J. Louis*