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Dearest Nell,

Thank you for your wonderful ~~xxxxx~~ letter which is a vast pleasure for me because it becomes in the heart of the galley proofing and distracts me from all the typographical errors I have to look for and correct in both my galleys and today the galleys of Jacques Maritain's new book. I have been down in the bed for two days now, reading galleys, and as a result have very little pain - the complete lack of use of the legs seems to be the way to keep the pain from coming.

monks of The credit for the little privately printed chant can read: "From RHYTHMIQUE GREGORIENNE, prepared by the ~~monks of~~ Benedictine Saint Benoit du Lac." There is another, far more celebrated study with the name Rhythmique gregorienne by Dom Mocquereau (of Solesmes), so be sure to put Saint Benoit du Lac so this will not be confused with that one.

All goes well here. I am able to do a lot of work these days, thank God. Tomorrow is our 14th Wedding Anniversary and we are having some friends in for dinner. But we forgot that we had promised Susan she could have a party tomorrow beginning at six. She has invited twenty-two for dinner. Well, typically my wife does not mind at all, but the household is busy, busy preparing for that mob, cooking, making patés, polishing silver. In defense, and since I am not use in that kind of thing, I have come back to my studio and am working here and will probably remaining "in hiding" until after the festivities tomorrow night. (except for the anniversary dinner.)

All for the moment. Best love to you from all of us here,

John