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de répondre a la votre au sujet
du memoire dont vous me parlez
pour la construction du gros
thermomètre que j'ay eue l'honneur
de vous parler il ne faut pas
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eu et imaginé que Monsieur
de reaumur ne jamais fait
aucune manipulation de ses
propre main il ne fait que
donner des principes Et en toute
sûreté vous pouvez annoncer que
les thermomètres dont je vous


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la congellation de la glace
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la crainte de vous mesquer fait
que je vous escrit

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Monsieur votre tres
humble Et tres
obissant serviteur
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à Monsieur

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de l'Académie royale

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