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BUSSY RABUTIN, Michel-Celse- Roger de

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Second son of comte Roger de Bussy Rabutin, he was appointed évêque de Luçon in 1723, and joined the Académie française in 1732. He frequented the salon of Mme de Tencin and was associated with the marquise de Rouvroy. An account of their platonic romance appeared in 1768, and suggests that the abbé “taught...to paint in crayons...” in order to support the impoverished but noble lady.

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