Fort Wayne, March 8th, 1879

W. Rev. C. John G. B. S. E.

Very Rev. Father and
Dear Friend,

Long before then I intimated to your
favor, I wrote to you, as I have
already written to the Head of the Cincinnati
question. The same reply of the
Diocesan of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati
was making then of
my full sympathy in the misfortune
You may not feel the need of
150,000 - and of 230,000 - at the
almost limits of indebtedness. But
it amounts now to 400,000, and
I must now say publicly that
it will reach the enormous sum of
600,000 -
How can such a misleading tale, then, account for otherwise by the criminal neglect of duty, and breach of duty, of Archbishop Gurrell, and the more than wonderfully criminal conduct of his brother Edward Gurrell, let there, in the first place, meet with a criminal punishment, and then it will be time to examine the second question. As long as they will not acknowledge their culpability in the management of their estate, and as long as a professional punishment will not be inflicted on their guilty heads, it is useless to appeal to any sympathy. I do not say that a great effort should not be made for the recovering and honest creditors of the Bank, and when the wheel will be set on motion, I will do what I can. Sed quid hoc inter tantum?
Did I ever complain of want of letters coming from you? My memory, which is good yet, is of twenty years, in this blanck, on the subject, you had better, my dear and v. friend, to try my patience in writing more frequently than you ever done, and you will find out that far from complaining, you will always find me firmly rooted in this state of gratitude.

When will you pay us a visit one at least of the to many you owe us. Be with these the dignitaries of Cincinnati, and do not place yourself in the culpable imposibility of paying your just debts and of satisfying your creditors.

Yours most devotedly your much

J. Benoit.