Red Donald

In my letter of the 30th of March, I have remained too long unanswered, owing to the extraordinary declaration that has engaged my time since it came to hand. I am most happy to hear of the success you achieved and to promise it holds out of great promise to the Church of God in the country. I wish an unusual campaign. From the point of view, it has not as yet been strongly convinced that the possibility of carrying out your design in the country, in the same manner as it has been done in France, will be Catholic nation. I fear that the genius of the country will come to distrust the manner of mind that would render teachers content with their situation, from the moment that they will find them selves of those advantages of education, by which they will flatter themselves as being capable of filling higher and more important situations. Whether it be from the Church, or the State. We know on the other hand, that this is no argument against the grace of God, a real vocation.

With regard to the question of the Church, I think it repel to the first point. Wherever it can be avoided, the new statute of the States should exist, but that the old should be composed of both alone, as might seem however, particularly to the West.
Where this would be considered if not imprudent. In answer to the second, I do not think that the school ought to be gratuitous, but at a price as moderate, as not to impose either a burden or a humiliation on the parents.

To reply to that third. I think that the labor of the Brother need not at first especially be confined to any one Diocese; for should the experiment succeed, there is no reason why, at a later period, such Diocese might not have a house of its own, with all of its own expense. Nothing can be more reasonable than that the Obedience requiring a Brother, should pay his travelling expenses, & I will not say his. W. I think too little. But $10 a year for clothing. I think, better that the Brother ought in every case, to be too at least first one alone.

Wishing you every success. W. for zeal & devotion deserves.

Rev. C. London. I remain very sincerely yours.

John Bp. N. Y.

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