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Directed to one of the Rev. Fathers of the L. S. L. at South Bend, St. Joseph Co., Ind.

Rev. & Dear Sir,

The honour of religion prompts me to inform you that Mr. Kelly has calumniated <sup>here</sup> the good sisters of Bertrand in <sup>a</sup> shocking manner. I contradicted the report, as I ought. The Bishop & his Brother regret that such an adventurer & a divorced woman could have so easily received an asylum among your virtuous sisters.

I contradicted another report, viz. that yr collegians were stinted in diet.

There is <sup>in</sup> Bourbonnais-Grove, Will Co<sup>ty</sup>, Illinois, a French Congreg. destitute of a pastor, and ~~the~~ Bishop Quarter has prevailed on me to pay them a visit, that they may perform their Easter duty. I shall set out next Wednesday for that place, where there is a Post office. Should you receive any letters for me, I beg you to mail them accordingly.

I trust that you are all doing well at N. D. L.  
I recommend myself <sup>& my mission</sup> to your and their good prayers.

*Totus tuus in visceribus Christi*

S. T. Badin

V. G. of Chicago &c.

P. S. I hope that Father Sorin will soon return happily to N. D. L.

I deeply regret that you disregarded my observations respect<sup>g</sup> the damage done to Mr. Metzger by changing the road. I fear the consequences

Bp. Quarter has fourteen  
Theologians in his Seminary —  
The College is beautiful, solidly  
built & without flaw, and free  
of debt —

I have been told by Sp. Hennin  
that the affair of Rev. Mr. <sup>John</sup> Healy  
remains in statu quo. I wish that  
I could serve him. Probably Fr. Sorin  
may employ in Kentucky, or in France  
or in Canada —