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Dear Father John,

The Bishop told me positively that he had not given his consent to the telegram in question - Mother Angela says: that the matter was well understood between the Bishop and herself. I believe the latter, though it is a poor compliment to the former. I have twenty instances in which the Bishop having given his consent for this and that, and afterwards seeing some troublesome consequences arising from his hasty, and undigested consent, denied positively having given said consent. What he has done in so many other circumstances he may have done in the present case. Hence my settled inclination to believe him only on good proof of his actual veracity. I would not write this to any body else; but it may prove useful

to you, as you are and will be
in constant and close relation
with him.

I will I. R. start for Europe
on the latter part of April,
say ten days after latter, and
take the steamer on the first
of May. This is my settled
determination. I will moreover
resign the pastorate of the
Cathedral, and when I will
come back, I will act either as
assistant priest, or as a private
individual. The wages of the
Bishop are so far apart from
mine that we never ~~can~~ meet,
and then it is better for us to
agree to disagree, and to live
independent of one another.

Should you have made up your
mind to go to France, and even
to Rome, I would willingly go
with you; if not, I will go
alone.

The Bishop will pay my
traveling expenses. He may well
do that, this very year past,
my out lay is \$11670 - whilst
my receipts have not exceeded \$4500 -
Hence I am out of my pocket
to the amount of \$7170 - If
I had kept half of that sum,
I could well pay my expenses,
The School of the Brothers is
doing well, even better than
I expected. It will pay this
year, and I have no doubt,
next year it will yield a
handsome profit. From School
Societies, deliver us, O Lord,

Frater Louis Lominier was
much disheartened in the beginning;
but he has more courage now.
The members of his congregation
were not willing to rent the pews,
and to give him a sufficient
salary, he told me so. Then I went
to give thanks on the day the pews

were to be rented, and I spoke
to them in such a manner
that the rent of the farms was
raised to \$4000, whilst it was only
\$600, under Father Adams.

I am glad to hear that Father
Carrier will come - There is
plenty work for both, and
if they are industrious, they will
get a sufficient support, and
they will do an immense
amount of good among those
poor French people. I told the
Bishop to advance them a few
hundred dollars, that they may
get themselves in train from
the beginning; but he cannot understand
that kind of language - I would
advance myself; but I want to pay
all I owe before I leave L. N.
Hence it is not in my power -
Please, therefore advance them two
or three hundred dollars. They will
be able to repay after a short time

Farms truly - J. P. Bennett
because this ministerly General - I am in
a hurry.