1858 Feb. 20 Lefevre, Peter P(aul), B(isho)p (of Zela), Coadjutor of Detroit, (Michigan)

to Father E(dward) Sorin, (C.S.C.)
Notre Dame, (Indiana)

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The bishop declines to buy a lot adjoining the church in Niles which Father Sorin has offered for sale to the Detroit diocese. Since clergymen in and about the diocese of Detroit have collected monies to buy such land for avowed church and educational purposes, / the bishop feels in conscience that he cannot purchase such land, and that it belongs to the Church in Niles.

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