

Toledo Octob. 3. 1854  
Rev. C. Sumner

Rev & dear Sir

you may deem it  
strange on my part that you did <sup>not</sup> receive  
any money from me yet. The reason is  
that I am leaving Cleveland Decess, and  
every body to whom I owed money  
called on me. My Bishop started a  
kind of college in Cleveland. He  
thought he could obtain some donation  
from me. I have no confidence in  
his College. It will not be better  
than an ordinary school. He felt ~~very~~  
rather displeas'd at my purchasing a  
house in your College also at my  
donation to Archbishop Russell's Decess.  
He has said somethings that displeas'd  
me. on hearing it I gave up my  
mission. I will go to Cincinnati. Now  
Sir I can only give you property at  
the valuation of any three men in Toledo,  
or ~~give~~ <sup>give</sup> you good security and ten percent  
for 200 dollars if you could raise  
the money. I do not like to throw away

My property. I may be able to dispose  
of 6000 dollars worth of <sup>it</sup> about the 10<sup>th</sup> of  
Nov. Money cannot be obtained in Toledo  
Bank under 20 per cent. I do not feel  
bound in justice to give 20 per cent.  
I would willingly give 10 per cent. Under  
these circumstances you must excuse  
me. I have prevailed on two of my boys  
to back again to South Bend. They  
must remain there two years. If not I  
shall never do any thing for them.  
The Archbishop feels now a great interest  
in your university. My Bishop does  
not. I know others also that are opposed  
to it strive to keep good professors  
at any salary they will require, and  
you will succeed. I shall use  
all my influence for it when I go  
to live to Cincinnati which will be in  
a month. The Jesuits are pulling against  
the Archbishop. They would not give the  
College neither would they take any  
boards. They only keep a kind of a  
day school. They have a good congregation  
at present; but I think they will be  
deprived of it shortly if they do  
not come to terms with the Archbishop.

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