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Very Rev. Father Provincial,
Dear Father,

Justice and prudence oblige me to inform that it is utterly impossible for me to bear the responsibilities as Director any longer. No doubt you are aware that I am incompetent to fill the position I hold. I can do no good here any more, and I have good and sufficient reasons for saying so. I have requested Rev. Fr. Francisus to explain my reasons to you when he comes to Notre Dame. In the meantime I beg of you to replace

me here or close the school, because I got a strong hint from the Franciscans that they intend to get their own Brothers if these changes continue on. Besides they have a good number of Brothers, and will in all probability take the school next year anyhow, and therefore to secure ourselves I think it would be well to withdraw our Brothers before they are sent away. — But these are not the reasons why I wish to be replaced, but as I said before, Rev. Father Francisus will explain.

Trusting you will not be offended at these my assertions
I remain dear Father

Your obedient son
in J. M. J.

Bro. Ambrose