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Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 91rv, 101rv. Latin

From [PF], [Rome], 12 February 1821

M. A list of cdl.s who attended the CG of 12 Feb. 1821. They were Fontana, [PF] Prefect, della Somaglia, Ercolani, Fesch, Rivarola, De Gregorio, with Pedicini, [PF] Secretary, and Riario [Sforza], protonotary ap. Bs: 91rv, 101v.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

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Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 160rv-163rv. Italian.

From [PF], [Rome], 12 February 1821.

M. [This item deals with the United States only].

Bs: 162rv-163r.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 164rv-165rv, 168rv-169rv. Italian

John Carroll, abp. of Baltimore, to William Vincent Harold, Jr., OP, in Philadelphia, Baltimore, 20 February 1813.

Translation into Italian of Acta 4 [in Cicognani's handwriting], signed by Cicognani, Rome, 12 Dec. 1820. Bs: 168v-169rv.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 166rv-167rv. English.

John Carroll, abp. of Baltimore, to William Vincent
Harold, Jr., OP, in Philadelphia, Baltimore, 20
February 1813.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States
only].

Dossier : Acta 1-13 Translation into French : Acta
11. Translation into Italian: Acta 3.

Acta, vol. 184 (1812), ff. 170rv-171rv, 174rv-175rv. Italian.

John Carroll, abp. of Baltimore, to [John Thomas Troy, abp. of Dublin], Baltimore, 12 April 1813.

Translation into Italian of Acta 6 [in Cicognani's handwriting], signed by Cicognani, Rome, 12 Dec. 1820.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 172rv-173rv. English.
John Carroll, abp. of Baltimore, to [John Thomas
Troy, abp. of Dublin], Baltimore, 12 Apr. 1813.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States,
Ireland, England].

Dossier: Acta 1-13. Translation into Italian:
Acta 5. Translation into French: Acta 9.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 176rv-177rv, 180rv-181rv. Italian.

John Connoly, OP, bp. of New York, to William Vincent Harold, Jr., OP, St. Thomas College, New York, 8 March 1816.

Translation into Italian of Acta 8 [in Cicognani's handwriting], signed by Cicognani, Rome, 12 dec. 1820.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 178rv-179rv. English.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to William Vincent Harold, Jr., OP, in St. Thomas College, New York, 8 March 1816.

ALS. MacQuade left St. Mary's [seminary or church, in Baltimore] and went to Canada, with the intention of returning to Ireland. [The balance of this item deals with the United States and Ireland].

Dossier: Acta 1-13. Translation into Italian:
Acta 7. Translation into French: Acta 10.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 182rv, 191rv. French.

John Carroll, abp. of Baltimore, to John Thomas
Troy, abp. of Dublin, Baltimore, 12 April 1813.

Translation into French of Acta 6. PF notes. B:
191r.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 183rv, 190rv. French.
John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to William
Vincent Harold, Jr., OP, in St. Thomas College, New
York, 8 March 1816.

Translation into Italian of Acta 8 [prepared by
Cicognani]. PF notes. B: 190r.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 184rv, 189rv. French.

John Carroll, abp. of Baltimore, to William Vincent
Harold, Jr., OP, in Philadelphia, Baltimore, 20
February 1813.

Translation into French of Acta 4. PF notes. Bs:
184v, 189r.

Dossier: Acta 1-13

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 185r, 188rv. Latin.

William Vincent Harold, Jr., OP, to [Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], Rome, 2 December 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States, Ireland]. Bs: 185v, 188rv.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 186rv-187rv. Latin,
Italian.

William Vincent Harold, Jr., OP, to [Francesco
Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PR Prefect], [Rome, 1820].

ALS. [This item deals with the United States,
Ireland]. PF S, notes.

Dossier: Acta 1-13.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 204rv-209rv. Italian,
Latin.

Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary, to [PF],
[Rome], 20 March 1821.

MS. Ristretto of the CG of 20 Mar. 1821. [This
item deals with Saint-Domingue, France,
Guadeloupe]. Bs: 208rv-209r.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 210rv-211rv. French.

Appert, priest, to abate Della Rocca, in Rome, [Arnouville-Lès-Gonesse], 6 April 1820.

ALS, The writer, who styles himself "Curé de Bonneuil, près et par Gonesse, dept. de Seine et Oise, [...] tout contre Arnouville," was surprised by the addressee's letter re Glory. The last news he had of him had been provided by the bp. of Québec [Plessis], who had seen him in Rome last Jan. [1820]. [The balance of this item deals with Guadeloupe, Martinique, Haiti].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 212rv-225rv. French.

From Giovanni Vincenzo Giudicelli, former prefect
ap. in Sénégal and Gorée, Paris, 1820.

PM. A pamphlet entitled Observations sur la traite
des noirs, en réponse au rapport de M. Courvoisier,
sur la petition de M. Morenas, Par l'abbé
Giudicelly, Ancien prefet apostolique du Sénégal et
de Gorée, printed "A Paris, chez les Marchands de
Nouveautés. 1820." [This item deals with Sénégal,
Gorée and with the slave trade with the Americas].

Bs: 212r, 213v, 225v.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 226rv-233rv. French.

From J. Morenas, Paris, 1820.

PM. A pamphlet entitled Petition contre la traite des noirs, qui se fait au Sénégal, présentée a la chambre des Députés, le 14 juin 1820, Par J. Morenas, ex-membre de la commission d'exploration attachée a cette colonie, printed in "Paris, Chez Corréard, Libraire, Palais Royal, Galerie de Bois. 1820" [This item also deals with the slave trade with the Americas]. Bs: 226v, 233rv.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Remarks: This pamphlet was written by Giudicelli.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 234rv-235rv. French.

Marie-Nicolas Fournier, bp. of Montpellier, to an
abbé, Montpellier, 21 August 1820.

C. [This item deals with Glory, Saint-Domingue].

B: 235r.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 236rv-239rv. Italian.
[Giovanni Vincenzo Giudicelli, former prefect ap.
in Sénégal and Gorée], to [Francesco Fontana, CRSP,
cdl., PR Prefect], [Paris, 30 June 1820].

AM. [This item deals with Saint-Domingue, Savoy].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 240rv-241rv. French.
Henry-Christophe I, King of Northern Haiti, to Pius
VII, Pope, Cap, 1 December 1808.

C. [This item deals with Haiti only]. B: 241r.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 242rv-243rv. Italian.

Cornelio da Biella, [regular] priest, to Pius VII,
Pope, [1819].

C. [This item deals with Saint-Domingue and
mentions the United States, Mexico].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 244rv-245rv. French.
Giovanni Vincenzo Giudicelli, former prefect ap. in
Sénégal and Gorée, to [Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF
Secretary]. Paris, 22 August 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with Sénégal, the slave
trade]. B: 245rv.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), f. 246rv. Italian.

N. Cuneo d'Ornano, priest, to [?Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PR Prefect], [Rome], 6 December 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with Giudicelli]. B: 246v.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1820), ff. 247rv-248rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 19 August 1820.

LS. [This item deals with Syria, Constantinople,
Glory, Guadeloupe, Babylon, Toulouse].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol, 184 (1821), ff. 249rv-250rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 23 September 1820.

LS. [This item deals with Glory, Guadeloupe,
Toulouse, Babylon, Palestine].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 251rv-252rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 1 December 1820.

LS. [This item deals with Glory, Saint-Domingue,
Skt. Thomaes, Toulouse, Guadeloupe].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 253rv-254rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 10 October 1820.

LS. [This item deals with Glory, Toulouse]. B:
254r.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 255rv-256rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 21 November 1820.

LS. [This item deals with Toulouse, Glory,
Guadeloupe, Louisiana].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), f. 257rv. French.

[Thomas Weld] to [PF], Paris, 23 May 1820.

M. The writer, who wishes to be ordained a priest, asks for a special dispensation, having served in a grand jury in England. B: 257v.

Dossier: Acta 14-41. Enclosed with Acta 30.

Acta, vol. 184 (1820), ff. 258rv-259rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 31 May 1820.

LS. The English Catholic Weld mentioned. [The
balance of this item deals with Saint-Domingue.
Giudicelli, Senegal, Puerto Rico, Glory, Toulouse,
Turin]. PF S, notes. Re PF answer of 15 July
1820.

Dossier: Acta 14-41. Enclosure: Acta 29.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 260rv-261rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 22 May 1820.

LS. [This item deals with Saint-Domingue, Glory,
Turin, Giudicelli]. B: 261rv.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), f. 262rv. Latin.

Pierre Glory, bp. of Macri, vic. ap. in Saint-Domingue to Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Paris, 20 September 1820.

LS. [This item deals with accusations against the writer].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 263rv-265rv, 268rv.

Italian.

Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP], cdl., [PF Prefect],
Paris, 15 April 1820.

LS. Weld is mentioned. [This item deals with
Glory, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Saint-Domingue,
Toulouse]. PF S, notes. Re PF answer of 20 May
1820. B: 268r.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 266rv-267rv. French.

[Thomas Weld] to [?PF], [Paris, 23 May 1820].

M. A biography of the writer, who wishes to be
ordained a priest. B: 267rv.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 269rv-270rv. Latin,
French.

William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the
London district, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP#, cdl.,
PF Prefect, London, 31 October 1820.

ALS. The day before, the writer received a letter
for the abp. of Quebec [Plessis], that he handed to
him today. The transaction cost him £1-16s-2d.
[The balance of this item deals with Haiti, Saint-
Domingue, Bombay]. Re PF answer of 2 Dec. 1820.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 271rv-272rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Croly, priest, to [?Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], [Rome], 5 September 1820.

AM. On behalf of della Somaglia, the writer
encloses some letters from the N. in Paris
[Macchi]. On one of the items mentioned a decision
must be made immediately. This M was forwarded at
10pm. Bs: 271v-272rv.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 273rv-274rv. French.
Douarre, priest, to [Marie-Nicolas Fournier, bp. of
Montpellier], Toulouse, 17 August 1820.

C. [This item deals with Glory only].

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 275rv-280rv. Italian.
Giuseppe Mazzetti, OCarm, consultor of PF, to [PF],
[Rome], 1 January 1821.

LS. The writer suggests that Glory be sent under
"some bishop in North America, or of another land,"
as vic. general or coadjutor, to see how he
behaves. [The balance of this item deals with
Saint-Domingue, Haiti, Guadeloupe, Virginia]. PF
notes.

Dossier: Acta 14-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 281rv-282rv. Italian.
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, to Carlo
Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary, [Rome], 2 March 1821.

LS. The writer encloses the N. in France
[Macchi]'s letter [of 5 Feb. 1821; see Acta 40] re
Glory, to be assessed in the forthcoming CG [of 20
Mar. 1821; see Acta 41]. B: 282v.

Dossier: Acta 14-41. Enclosures: Acta 40-41.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 283rv, 286rv. Italian.
Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France to
[Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], Paris,
5 February 1821.

LS. [This item deals with Glory, Saint-Domingue].

Dossier: Acta 14-41. Enclosure: Acta 41.

Enclosed with Acta 39.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 284rv-285rv. French.

Pierre Glory, bp. of Macri, vic. ap. in Saint-Domingue, to Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N. in France, Paris, 31 Jan. 1821.

LS. [This item deals with accusations against the writer]. B: 285v.

Dossier: Acta 14-41. Enclosed with Acta 39-40.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), f. 300rv. Latin.

From [PF], [Rome], 21 May 1821.

M. List of cdl.s who attended the CG of 21 May 1821. They were Fontana, [PF] Prefect, Ercolani, della Somaglia, Fesch, De Gregorio, Pacca, with Pedicini, [PF] Secretary, and Riario [Sforza], protonotary [ap.]. B: 300v.

Dossier: Acta 42-50

Cross-references: SOCG 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 301rv-304rv. Italian,
Latin.

Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary, to PF [Rome],
21 May 1821.

MS. In a ponenza [prepared for the CG of 21 May
1821], the erection of a bishopric in Detroit, at
the border between the United States and Canada, is
discussed. The new bishopric would have
jurisdiction over the Northwest. The two
candidates are, first, Richard, currently parish
priest in Baltimore, and second, Lartigue,
currently bp. of Telmissus, vic. general in
Montréal of the abp. of Québec, Plessis. PF notes
[in Pedicini's handwriting]. [The balance of this
item deals with the United States]. Re PF letter
to the vic. ap. in the London district [Douglas] of
7 July 1821. B: 302r.

Dossier: Acta 42-50

Cross-reference: SOCG 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 305rv, 308rv. French,
Latin, Italian.

Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect,
Baltimore, 28 April 1820.

ALS. The writer suggests Lartigue, a teacher at
the Canadian seminary [in Montréal], as the second-
ranking candidate for the bishopric to be erected
in Detroit, near the border with Canada. [The
balance of this item deals with the United States].

PF S.

Dossier: Acta 42-50.

Cross-references: SOCG 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 306rv-307rv. French,
Italian.

Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to
[Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect],
Georgetown, 28 June 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States
only].

Dossier: Acta 42-50

Cross-reference: SOCG 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 309rv-310rv, 312rv-313rv. Italian, Latin.

Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, to [PF], [Rome], May 1821.

PM with ms notes. Ristretto re the appointment of a vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, prepared for the CG of 21 May 1821 followed by a Sommario. In his letter of 8 Jan. 1821 (see Sommario, no. 1), Plessis, abp. of Québec, informed of the death of Burke, bp. of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia (29 Nov. [1820]), and of the appointment of Carroll as administrator of the vicariate. The abp. also repeated his project of 17 Nov. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 194] to unite New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The writer mentions that, on this latter point, Plessis did not send any further details, although requested to do so [on 14 Apr. 1821]. The CG of 7 Sept. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 42] asked the Pope [Pius VII] to appoint Maguire, a Halifax priest, as Burke's coadjutor. The brief of 1 Oct. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 167-168] appointed Maguire, but the latter renounced on 6 Jan. 1821 (see Sommario, no. 2). On 2 Dec. 1820 the writer wrote to the abp. of Dublin (Troy [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 113]) to

convince Long to accept the appointment, but the abp.'s letter of 18 Jan. 1821 (see Sommario, no. 3), informed that Long refused the appointment due to his age and to the [Halifax] climate. Both the abp. of Dublin and Murphy, bp. of Cork, now suggest Lyons for the position. Lyons, 29, taught for ^{Cork Seminary and for three years was the confessor of the} three years in the Ursulines. The information on him (see Sommario, no. 4) is very satisfactory. If selected, however, Lyons must be dispensed by the impediment of his young age. R [in Pedicini's handwriting] No decision is to be made until a letter from the abp. of Québec is received. Signed by Fontana, Pedicini. The Sommario contains the following items: [1] Plessis to [Fontana], [Quebec, 8 Jan. 1821]; [2] from Maguire, Saint-Michel [-de-Bellechasse], 6 Jan. 1821; [3] Troy to [Fontana], [Dublin, 18 Jan. 1821]; [4] Murphy to [Troy], Cork, 4 Jan. 1821. Bs: 309v, 313v.

Dossier: Acta 42-50. Another C of the R: Acta 47. Another C of item 1: SOCG 150-167; of item 2: SOCG 149, 168; of item 3: SOCG 148; of item 4: SOCG 147.

Cross-references: SOCG 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), f. 311rv. Latin.

From Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect,,
[Rome], 21 May 1821.

MS. No decision is to be made [on the vicariate
ap. in Nova Scotia] until a letter from the abp. of
Québec [Plessis[is received. B: 311v.

Dossier: Acta 42-50. Another C of the R: in Acta
46.

Cross-references: SOCG 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 348rv, 353 rv. Latin.

[Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore], to PF,
[Georgetown, 26 August 1820].

AM. [This item deals with the United States only].

B: 353r.

Dossier: Acta 42-50.

Cross-references: SOCC 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), f. 352rv. Italian.

Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary, to [PF],
[Rome], 21 May 1821.

MS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Bs: 351rv-352r.

Dossier: Acta 42-50

Cross-references: SOCC 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 354rv-367rv. Latin,
Italian.

Mauro Cappellari, ErCam, Consultor of PF, to [PF],
[Rome], May 1821.

AMS. [This item deals with the United States
only]. Bs: 366rv-367r.

Dossier: Acta 42-50

Cross-references: SOCC 146-152.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 498rv, 509rv. Latin.

From [PF], [Rome], 31 July 1821.

M. List of all cdl.s who attended the CG of 31 July 1821. They were Ercolani, della Somaglia, Rivarola, De Gregorio, with Pedicini, [PF] Secretary, and Riario [Sforza], protonotary ap. Bs: 498v, 509rv.

Dossier: Acta 51-56.

Cross-references: SOCC 1-127.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 499rv-508rv. Italian, Latin.

Luigi Ercolani, cdl., member of PF, to [PF], [Rome], June 1821.

PM with ms notes. Ristretto of the CG of 31 July 1821, mainly dealing with the United States. The person of [C.] Ffrench is discussed at length. He is accused of having incurred substantial debts in Ireland and of misbehaviour in Québec and in New York (see Sommario, no. A/2). Reference is made to Raby's deposition [of 6 Sept. 1819; see SO CG 103]; Raby, parish priest of Saint-Antoine-de-Tilly, maintains that a maid [Gaudin] told him that Ffrench tried to seduce her, to no avail (see Sommario, no. A/4). Evidence is circumstantial, yet the abp. of Québec [Plessis] on 6 Sept. 1820 notified the PF Prefect [Fontana] that he withdrew Ffrench's spiritual powers for immoral behaviour [on 15 June 1817; see item 2 of SO CG 41] (see Sommario no. A/5). Ffrench's scandalous conduct is confirmed by the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal]'s letter of 18 Sept. 1819 (see Sommario no. A/3/e). The bp. of New York [Connolly] supports Ffrench and justifies his actions (see Sommario no. B/1).

R, signed by Ercolani: As far as Ffrench is concerned (no. 5), he must leave the diocese [of

New York] within three months of Connolly's
reception of ^{the} letter of PF. Re PF letter to
Connolly of 18 Aug. 1821. [The balance of this
item deals with the United States]. Bs: 499v,
508r.

Dossier: Acta 51-56. Another C: SOCC 1.

Cross-references: SOCC 1-127.

Remarks: For the Sommario, see Acta 54.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 510rv-515rv. Italian, Latin, French.

Giuseppe Maria Mazzetti, OCarm, PF consultor, to [PF], [Rome], 16 July 1820.

P/M. The writer's opinion re ecclesiastical affairs in the diocese of New York. As far as [C.] French is concerned, the addressees are reminded that he has been accused of having incurred substantial debts in Ireland and of misbehaviour in Québec. On [26] Aug. 1817 [see items 2 and 3 of SO CG 41] French was interdicted by the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis] for seducing a young girl [Gaudin] and for stealing money belonging to the church of Saint John. However, little evidence is available, except for Raby's deposition [of 6 Sept. 1819; see SO CG 103]. The letters of Plessis [to Willcocks, of 24 Mar. 1819; see SO CG 85] and [Boucher de] Boucherville on the subject are too vague. According to the writer, although accusations against French are unproven, Connolly, bp. of New York, should expel him from his diocese.

Dossier: Acta 51-56. Another C: SO CG 2, 23.

Cross-references: SO CG 1-127.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 516rv-537rv. Italian, Latin, French.

[Luigi Ercolani, cdl., member of PF], to [PF], [Rome, June 1821].

PM with ms notes. Sommario [containing items referred to in the CG of 31 July 1821; see Acta 52]. The following items are summarized or copied out. [1] No. A/1: T. Stoughton and the trustees of New York to [Pius VII], [New York, May 1819]; [2] No. A/2: Taylor to [Fontana], [Rome, Apr./May 1820]; [3] No. A/3[c]: Maréchal to Fontana, [Baltimore], 23 Dec. 1819; [4] No. [A/3/d]: Maréchal to [Fontana], [Baltimore], 2 Jan. 1820. [5] No. [A/3/e]: Maréchal to PF, [Baltimore], 18 Sept. 1819. [6] No. [A/4]: Raby's affidavit, New York, 6 Sept. [1819]. [7] No. A/5: Plessis to [Fontana], [Québec], 6 Sept. 1820. [8] No. A/6: Malou to Fontana, [New York], 2 [and 5] Mar. 1820. [9] No. A/7: [Inglesi's] report on the United states, [Louisiana, ?1820]. [10] No. B/~~1~~: Connolly to [?Fontana], New York, 10 Mar. 1820. [11] No. B/2: Connolly to [?Fontana], New York, 15 Feb. 1820. [12] No. B/3: Connolly [recte Argenti] to [PF], [Rome, 1820]. [13] No. B/10/[f]: O'Gorman et al. to [Connolly], [New York], 10 Feb. 1820. [14] No. [B/10/g]: Proceedings of the

meeting of the New York Catholics, New York, 1 Feb. 1820. [15] No. [B/10/h]: The Catholics of New York to Pius VII, New York, 1 Feb. 1820. [16] No. B/5: Troy to [Fontana], Dublin, 4 May 1820. [17] No. B/6: Connolly to [Fontana], [New York], 10 Feb. 1820. Archival notes [dealing with the United States only]. Re Fontana's ponenza of Aug. 1819.

Dossier: Acta 51-56. Another C: SOCC 3. Another C of item 1: SOCC 97; of item 2: SOCC 11; of item 3: SOCC 10; of item 4: SOCC 8; of item 5: SOCC 119; of item 9: SOCC 4; of item 10: SOCC 13; of item 11: SOCC 14; of item 12: SOCC 15; of item 13: SOCC 18; of item 14: SOCC 78; of item 15: SOCC 102; of item 16: SOCC 19; of item 17: SOCC 20.
Cross-references: SOCC 1-127.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 538rv-541rv. Italian, Latin.

[Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary], to [PF], [Rome], 30 July 1821.

MS. Via Poynter, vic. ap. in the London district, Plessis, abp. of Québec, forwarded two requests of Maréchal, abp. of Baltimore. Maréchal asks that [1] only the abp. of Baltimore be allowed to suggest candidates for the new bishoprics; [2] Benedict XIV's rules for the missions in England [brief Apostolicum Ministerium, 1753] be also applied to the United States. Cappellari's opinion [see Acta 56] is negative to both instances. PF must also decide whether to write directly to Maréchal, or to Plessis or Poynter. R: Negative. Re PF letters [to Maréchal] of 25 Aug. and to Plessis of 17 Nov. 1821. PF notes. Bs: 540v-541v.

Dossier: Acta 51-56. Sub-dossier: Acta 55-56

Cross-references: SOCG 1-127.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 542rv-555rv. Italian,
Latin.

Mauro Cappellari, ErCam, Consultor of PF, to [Carlo
Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary], [Rome, July 1821].

AMS. Upon the order of Fontana, PF Prefect, the
writer gives his opinion on the request of
Maréchal, abp. of Baltimore. Pedicini's letter to
the writer is copied out, in which the fact that
the requests came from Plessis, abp. of Québec, via
Poynter, vic. ap. in the London district, is
recalled. The writer suggests that negative
answers be given to both of Maréchal's requests,
namely, [1] that only the abp. of Baltimore be
allowed to suggest candidates for the new
bishoprics, and [2] that Benedict XIV's rules for
the missions in England [brief Apostolicum
Ministerium 1753] be also applied to the United
States. PF notes (CG of 31 July 1821). B: 555r.

Dossier: Acta 51-56. Sub-dossier: 55-56.

Cross-references: SOCC 1-127.

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 556rv-559rv. Italian, Latin.

[Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary] to [PF], [Rome], 31 July 1821.

M. Following the request of Gradwell, Rector of the English College, the writer confirms that the documents preserved [in the archives of PF] are classified, and not even those of the Panzani years [Panzani was envoy extraordinary to England from 1634 to 1637] are open to the public. Re PF letter to Secretariate of State of 7 Sept., and to the audience [granted by Pius VII] on 19 Aug. 1821. B: 559r.

Remarks: Although this item does not specifically refer to Canada, it also applies to Canadian documents, and the attitude it suggests influenced Plessis's visit to Rome [see, for example Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 86].

Acta, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 663rv-678rv. Italian,
Latin.

Augustino Rivarola, cdl., member of PF, to [PF],
[Rome], December 1821.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 3 Dec. 1821,
revised for the CG of 26 Feb. 1822]. [This item
deals with the Séminaire de Saint-Esprit only]. B:
663v.

Cross references: SOCC 128-145. Another C: SOCC
128.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 31rv, 34rv. Latin,
Italian.

William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the
London district, to Ercole Consalvi, cdl., PF Pro-
Prefect, Paris, 13 September 1822.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the three addressee's
letters of 17 Aug. [1822], received in Paris. He
enclosed Provencher's oath, that the [a]bp. of
Québec [Plessis] asked him to forward to Rome via
Gradwell, the procurator in Rome of the [a]bp. In
the future, he will send his letters directly to
PF. [The balance of this item deals with the
United States, Bombay, England]. PF S, notes. Re
PF answer of 23 Nov. 1822.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 50 rv, 73 rv. Latin.

From [PF] [Rome], 24 February 1823.

M. List of cdl.s who attended the CG of 17 Feb. 1823. They were Castiglioni, della Somaglia, Ercolani, Fesch, De Gregorio, with Pedicini, [PF] Secretary, and Riario [Sforza], protonotary ap. Castiglioni reported on Canada and on the Syrian patriarchate of Antioch. The CG was then adjourned till 24 Feb. 1823. The following cdl.s attended: Ercolani, della Somaglia, Castiglioni, Fesch, Rivarola, De Gregorio, with Pedicini and Riario [Sforza].

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 59rv-68rv, 71rv-72rv.

Italian, Latin.

Francesco Saverio Castiglioni, cdl., member of PF
to [PF], [Rome], January 1823.

PM with ms notes. Ponenza in five chapters and 39
, followed by 16 questions to be answered by PF,
on the state of the church in Canada. [1] On the
matter of abp. Plessis's acceptance of a seat in
the Legislative Council of [Lower] Canada, his
letter of 26 July 1818 [see Codignola, Calendar
1800-20, III 91] is recalled, in which he wrote
that he had accepted the offer. After the CG of 23
Nov. 1818 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 39],
followed by [Fontana's] letter of Plessis of 13
Mar. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 77],
four questions were submitted to the abp.. Plessis
insisted on the importance of his sitting in the
Council in his letters of 10 Nov. 1820 to Fontana
[see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, VI 96] and of 25
June 1821 [see item 5 of Acta 65]. [2] On the
problem of marriages, reference is made to
Plessis's letter [of 25 June 1821], dealing with
Lake Champlain, Acadia, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward
Island, Cape [Breton Island]; the original of said
letter was given to the cdl. ponente [Castiglioni].
[3] This deals with a dispensation granted by the

vic. general in Montréal, Roux, that Plessis refused to approve, and with the erection of a church in Saint-Roch, a suburb of Québec; reference is made to Plessis's query of the past year [25 June 1821], to Cappellari's opinion [of 5 June 1822; see item 6 of Acta 65], to a letter to Plessis of 15 June 1822 (which the abp. has not yet answered), to the opinion of Maréchal, abp. of Baltimore, then in Rome, and to Plessis's letter of 25 June [1821]. [4] On the appointment of Lartigue as vic. general instead of full bp., Plessis insisted that the Holy See grant direct faculties to Lartigue; the Holy See [i.e. Fontana] answered on 20 May 1820 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 109] that that was not possible. Maréchal and Duclaux, the Sulpician Superior in Paris [in his letter of 1 Apr. 1822; see item 9 of Acta 65], argue that Lartigue and Plessis are trying to suppress the Montréal Seminary in accordance with the wish of the British government. [5] On MacEachern's project, contained in his letter of 1 [recte 9] Nov. 1819 [see SOCG 152], which suggested uniting New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and erecting several new bishoprics. Reference is made to Panet's appointment as coadjutor of Plessis on 24 [recte 27] July 1806 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 124], to the CG of [21] Sept. 1818 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 39-41] which appointed Lartigue, McDonell, Provencher and

MacEachern [yet Lartigue and Provencher were appointed in the CG of 24 Jan. 1820; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 46], to the CG of [21] May 1821 [see Acta 46], which deferred the appointment of Lyons as substitute for the late Burke as vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, pending Plessis's opinion.

Dossier: Acta 60-65.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 69rv-70rv. Latin,
Italian.

From [PF], [Rome], 17 and 24 February 1823. Latin,
Italian.

R of the CG of 17 Feb. 1823: [1-6] [On Plessis's
acceptance of a seat in the Legislative Council of
Lower Canada], refer to the Sacred Congregation of
the Holy Office. R to the doubts submitted to the
CG of 24 Feb. 1823; [7-10] [On marriages], various
answers; [11] [On the dispensation granted by
Roux] Deferred, and write according to the
consultor [Cappellari]'s opinion [of 5 June 1822];
[12] [on the erection of the Saint-Roch chapel],
granted; [13-14] [On Lartigue's appointment]
Deferred, and a M be prepared incorporating the
opinion of the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal]; [15-
16] [On MacEachern's project] Deferred. Signed by
Castiglioni. Certified by Pedicini, [PF]
Secretary.

Dossier: Acta 60-65. Another C: Acta 63.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 74rv-75rv. Latin, Italian.

From [PF], [Rome], 17 and 24 February 1823.

R of the CG of 17 Feb. 1823: [1-6] [On Plessis's acceptance of a seat in the Legislative Council of Lower Canada], refer to the Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office. R to the doubts submitted to the CG of 24 Feb. 1823: [7-10] [On marriages], various answers; [11] [On the dispensations granted by Roux], Deferred, and write according to the consultor [Cappellari]'s opinion [of 5 June 1822; see item 6 of Acta 65]; [12] [on the erection of the Saint-Roch chapel], granted; [13-14] [on Lartigue's appointment] Deferred, and a M be prepared incorporating the opinion of the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal]; [15-16] [on MacEachern's project] Deferred. Signed by Castiglioni.

Dossier: Acta 60-65. Another C: Acta 62.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 76rv-82rv. Italian, Latin.

From [PF], [Rome, February 1823].

PM. Archival notes [relating to the questions submitted to the CGs of 17 and 14 Feb. 1823]. [1-6] On the matter of the abp. Plessis's acceptance of a seat in the Legislative Council [of Lower Canada], [Fontana's] letter of 13 Mar. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 77] is copied out. [7-10] On marriages, an instruction was sent on [30 Sept.] 1820 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 111] (here copied out), and reference is made to the decree of the Holy Office of 29 Nov. 1764 [see Codignola, Calendar 1622-1799, IV 117] (both are copied out). [11, 15-16] The history of the appointments of MacEachern, [McDonell], Lartigue, Provencher, Burke, is described; they were part of a general plan to have North America united under two abp.s (Quebec, Baltimore) and various bp.s. Reference is made to Plessis's letter of 17 Nov. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 194] (copied out), to Maguire renunciation [of 6 Jan. 1821; see SOCG 149]. The CG of [21] May 1821 [see Acta 46] deferred Lyons's appointment as Burke's replacement (following the latter's death [in 1820]), in order not to influence any decision re

the union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. In case the union is made, then at some point Newfoundland too could be re-attached to the archbishopric of Québec, "and thus implement the noble idea of completing the Christian world on that side with the archbishop of Québec and his suffragan bishops." [12] The abp. has the right to build and bless new churches. [15] Faculties to his vic. general [Lartigue] cannot be granted by the Pope [Pius VII]. [14] The Montréal Seminary must be provided with new Sulpicians, subject of Great Britain, in order to maintain their properties there.

Dossier: Acta 60-65.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 82rv-93rv. Latin,
Italian.

From [PF], [Rome, February 1823].

PM. Sommario [containing items referred to in the
CGs of 17 and 24 Feb. 1823]. [1] No I/a: Plessis
to [PF], Québec, 10 Nov. 1820. [2] No. I/b:
Proceedings of the Legislative Council [of Lower
Canada], Québec, 5 Feb. 1793, signed by Clark,
Finlay, Caldwell. [3] No. I/c: Oath [to be taken
by the abp. of Québec, Plessis]. [4] No. I/d:
Daily prayer [of the Legislative Council]. [5] No.
II: Plessis to Pedicini, [Quebec], 25 June 1821.
[6] No. III: Cappellari's opinion, [Rome], 5 June
1822. [7] No. IV: Plessis to [?], Québec, 25 June
1821; Plessis's mandement of 6 Oct. 1818. [8] No.
V: Plessis's mandement of 20 Feb. 1821. [9] No.
VI: Duclaux to Fontana, Paris, 1 Apr. 1822. B:
93rv.

Dossier: Acta 60-65.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 244rv, 251rv. Latin.

From PF [Rome], 9 June 1823.

M. List of cdl.s who attended the CG of 9 June 1823. They were Pedicini, Ercolani, Pacca, della Somaglia, Castiglioni, Fesch, Riario [Sforza], [Sermatei] della Genga, Rivarola, De Gregorio, with Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, and Ugolini, protonotary ap.. Della Genga on the doubts submitted by Plessis, abp. of Québec. [The balance of this item deals with the United States, Egypt].

Bs: 244v, 251rv.

Dossier: Acta 66-68

Cross-references: SOCG 153, 155.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 278rv-279rv, 281rv-288rv, 290rv-291rv. Italian, Latin.

Annibale Sermattei della Genga, cdl., member of PF, to [PF], [Rome], May 1823.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 9 June 1823]. In his letter of 15 Nov. 1822 [see SOCG 155], the abp. of Québec [Plessis] submitted to PF 10 ~~///~~ doubts on the sacraments of baptism, penance, eucharist, extreme unction, marriage, and on funerals for adults, children and priests. This ponenza is followed by Gardellini's [undated] opinion. Bs: 278v, 288v-291rv.

Dossier: Acta 66-68.

Cross-references: SOCG 153, 155.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 280rv, 289rv. Latin.

From [PF], [Rome], 9 June 1823.

R of the CG of 9 June 1823. The doubts of Plessis [contained in his letter of 15 Nov. 1822; see SOCC 155] abp. of Québec, must be answered according to Gardellini's opinion [in Acta 67]. Signed by Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary. Bs: 280v, 289rv.

Dossier: Acta 66-68

Cross-reference: SOCC 153, 155.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 318rv, 325rv. Latin.

From PF, [Rome], 29 July 1823. Latin.

M. List of cdl.s who attended the CG of 29 July 1823. They were della Somaglia, Pacca, Castiglioni, Fesch, [Sermattei] della Genga, De Gregorio, Ercolani, Pedicini, Rivarola, Riario Sforza, with Caprano, abp. of Iconium, [PF] Secretary, and Ugolini, protonotary ap.. Castiglioni reported on Canada. [The balance of this item deals with Ireland, Syria]. BS: 318v, 325v.

Dossier: Acta 69-71

Cross-references: SOCC 154-155.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 319rv-320rv, 323rv-324rv. Latin, Italian.

Francesco Saverio Castiglioni, cdl., member of PF to [PF], [Rome], July 1823.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 29 July 1823], entitled "Appendice al Ristretto" [on Canada]. Re doubt no. 11 discussed in the CGs of 17 and 24 Feb. [1823; see Acta 61]. It dealt with a dispensation granted by the vic. general [in Montréal, Roux], that the abp. of Québec [Plessis] refused to approve. The abp. was written to according to Cappellari's opinion [of 5 June 1822; see item 6 of Acta 65]. Then the answer of the abp. of 15 Nov. [1822] was received in which three more doubts on marriage were submitted, one specifically relating to Madeleine's case. The example of Holland is mentioned. PF notes (on 6 and 9 Aug. 1823 the matter was resolved). Bs: 319v, 323v-324r.

Dossier: Acta 69-71.

Cross-references: SOCG 154-155.

Acta, vol. 186 (1823), ff. 321rv-322rv. Latin.

From [PF], [Rome], 29 July 1823.

R of the CG of 29 July 1823, dealing with marriage.

[1-2] Approved; [3] Refer to the Holy Office.

Signed by Castiglioni. Bs: 321rv-322rv.

Dossier: Acta 69-71

Cross-references: SOCG 154-155.

Acta, vol. 187 (1824), ff. 457rv-466rv, 469rv.
Italian, Latin.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to [PF], [Rome], July 1824.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 26 July 1824],
dealing with Ireland, Scuttari, Nova Scotia, in 4
articles and 19 ##, followed by 6 questions.
Article III, ## 10-12 deal with Nova Scotia. In
1819 [recte on 21 Dec. 1818; see Codignola,
Calendar 1800-20, II 43], Burke, bp. of Sion, vic.
ap. in Nova Scotia, asked Pius VII to appoint
Maguire as is coadjutor, which was done in the CG
of 7 Sept. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20,
II 42] and with the brief[s] of 1 [and 7] Oct.
1819. Upon Maguire's renunciation [of 6 Jan. 1821;
see SOCG 149, 168], Burke's letter of 19 Sept. 1820
[see SOCG 166] asked that Long be appointed, yet
Long refused to accept, as reported by Troy's
letter of 18 Jan. 1821 [see SOCG 148]. Murphy's
letter of 4 Jan. 1821 [see SOCG 147] praised Lyons,
who was Burke's second choice for his
coadjutorship. At that point, the abp. of Québec
reported Burke's death (29 Nov. 1820) in his letter
of 8 Jan. 1821 [see SOCG 150, 167]. The CG of 21
May 1821 [see Acta 46] discussed whether to
appoint Lyons vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, and on 14

Apr. 1821 PF wrote to Plessis accordingly. Three years have elapsed since, and, while the vicariate ap. is administered by Carroll, no answer from Plessis was received. It is now time to make a decision, also in view of the insistence of Scallan, bp. of Dragobitia, vic. ap. in Newfoundland, who was in Rome a few months ago [ca. Dec. 1823-Apr. 1824]. Lyons is not, however, the only candidate, another one being Fraser, ca. 45, a former teacher at the Lismore college, in America since July 1822, recommended by R. McDonnell, [recte MacDonald], bp. of Arindela, vic. ap. in the Scottish Highlands [in his letter to Consalvi, of 24 Dec. 1823; see SOCG 169], and by MacEachern, bp. of Rhosus, [suffragan and auxiliary bp.] in Prince Edward Island [mentioned in SOCG 169]. Doubt no. 3: Whether to appoint a vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, and whom to appoint. Bs: 457v, 469v.

Dossier: Acta 72-74. Another C: SOCG 157.

Cross-references: SOCG 156-169.

Acta, vol. 187 (1824), ff. 467rv-468rv. Latin,
Italian.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to [PF], [Rome], 26 July 1824.

R of the CG of 26 July 1824. [3] The Pope [Pius
VII] is to be asked to appoint Lyons, of the
diocese of Cork, vic. ap. on Nova Scotia. Re PF
letters to Lyons and to Murphy, bp. of Cork, of 4
Sept. 1824. Re decree for Nova Scotia. [The
balance of this item deals with Ireland, Scuttari].

B: 468rv.

Dossier: Acta 72-74. Another C: SOCG 158.

Cross-references: SOCG 156-169.

Acta, vol. 187 (1824), ff. 470rv-471rv. Italian,
Latin.

Pietro Caprano, apb. of Iconium, PF Secretary, to
Pius VII, Pope, [Rome], 1 August 1824.

M. [At the audience granted to the writer], the
addressee is asked to appoint Lyons, a priest of
the diocese of Cork, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, a
vacant position since [Burke's death on] 19 Nov.
1820. PF notes (CG of 26 July 1824; to the
Secretariate of Briefs on 14 Aug. 1825; filed in
1843). [The balance of this item deals with
Ireland, Scu~~l~~ttari]. B: 471r.

Dossier: Acta 72-74.

Cross-references: SOCG 156-169.

Acta, vol. 187 (1824), ff. 639rv.0641rv, 646 rv.
Italian, Latin.

Pietro Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, to
[PF], [Rome], 29 November 1824.

M. Report prepared for the CG of 29 Nov. 1824 on
the vicariate ap. of Nova Scotia. Following the
death of Burke, bp. of Sion, on 29 Nov. 1820, the
CG of 26 July 1824 [see Acta 72] appointed Lyons, a
priest of the diocese of Cork, vic. ap. in Nova
Scotia. The decision was approved by the Pope [Leo
XII] at the audience granted on 1 Aug. [see Acta
74], and two briefs were sent to Lyons, via Murphy,
appointing him bp. of Tanis and vic. ap. in Nova
Scotia, together with a letter dated 4 Sept.
[1824]. Then, in [his letter of] 19 Oct. [1824;
see Acta 76], Lyons informed that he did not accept
the appointment. The writer suggests that Lyons be
replaced by Fraser, ca. 45, a former student in
Valladolid, missionary in Fort William [1804-14],
and teacher at the [Killechiarain] college, [island
of] Lismore. Fraser is recommended by R.

MacDonald, vic. ap. in the Scottish Highlands, in
his letter of 29 [recte 24] Dec. 1823 [see SOCC
169], and by MacEachern, bp. of Rhodus, vic.

[general] of the abp. of Québec [Plessis] in Prince
Edward Island, in his letter of 8 July [1823; see

SOCG 77]. According to the latter, Fraser, formerly (in 1823) in Cape Breton Island, currently in Nova Scotia, has the advantage of knowing both English and Celt, a major factor in his region. R [in Caprano's handwriting]: The Pope is to be asked to appoint Fraser. Re PF letters to the bp. of Cork [Murphy] of 18 Dec. 1824; to Lyons of 18 Dec. 1824; to the abp. of Cashel [Laffan] of 7 May 1825; to MacEachern [of 11 June 1825]; to Fraser of 11 June 1825. B: 646r.

Dossier: Acta 75-78.

Acta, vol. 187 (1824), ff. 642rv.-643rv. Latin.

Dennys Lyons, Priest, to Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, Cork, 19 Oct. 1824.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the ap. letters, received via the bp. of Cork [Murphy], that originated in the audience granted by Leo XII on 24 Aug. [1824]. He had in fact promised the late Burke to accept his coadjutorship, and then waited for years to be appointed. At this point, however, he regards himself as unable to perform the duties the position requires, particularly in America among heretics. The ap. letters were returned to the bp. of Cork. PF S.Re PF letters to Lyons [of 18 Dec. 1824], to the bp. of Cork of 18 Dec. 1824.

Dossier: Acta 75-78.

Acta, vol 187 (1824), ff. 644rv.-645rv. Latin, French.

Angus Bernard MacEachern, bp. of Rhosus, suffragan and auxiliary bp. to the abp. of Québec in Prince Edward Island, to Pietro Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, near St. Andrew's, Prince Edward Island, 8 July 1824.

ALS. The writer, 65, reports on his visit to Cape Breton Island [July-Oct. 1823], where there are two Scottish [McDonell, Fraser], two Canadian [Blanchet, Hudon] and one Irish [McKeagney] priests, and where he confirmed thousands of people. He will visit New Brunswick this year, and will then report to PF again, enclosing maps of Nova Scotia and the islands of the St. Lawrence. He also reports on his Nov. [1823]-July [1824] visit around Prince Edward Island, where he has two priests the Scot [B.] D. Macdonald and the Irish Fitzgerald, is trying to build a church in St. Andrew's, has no difficulties with the Calvinists, penal laws are not enforced. The writer describes the difficulties caused by language problems. The [a]bp. of [Québec in] Canada [Plessis] and his missionaries have no knowledge of Celt and English nor are acquainted with Scottish or Irish institutions. In fact, the bp.'s visit of 1812 to

Prince Edward Island was the first since the Conquest [1760]; there a priest must know English, French and Celt. In that period, only two Scottish priests were educated [in Quebec, B.D. Macdonald, Ronald Macdonald], one of whom is currently in Cape Breton [B.D. Macdonald], the other still in Canada. To date, all Scottish missionaries who preached in Nova Scotia and Cape Breton Island were sent from the Scottish Highlands, eight of whom accompanied emigrants. The writer recommends that the new vic. ap. in Nova Scotia be Fraser, a missionary fluent in Celt and English, with experience in the Scottish Highlands, in Cape Breton (the writer's companion of the previous year [1823]), currently in Nova Scotia. The bp. of Arindela, vic. ap. [in the Scottish Highlands, R. MacDonald], must be consulted on the candidate. A letter from the abp. of Québec to the writer of 12 Jan. 1824 is profusely cited. The writer complains that the spiritual powers (marriage dispensations) received from the abp. cannot be delegated, and asks that in the future marriage dispensations and indulgences for New Brunswick, Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island, Iles de la Madeleine, be granted by the Holy See directly to him and that they be communicable. PF S. Re PF letters to [the abp. of] Quebec [of 4 Dec. 1824], to MacEachern of 4 Dec. 1824.

Dossier: Acta 75-78

Acta, vol. 187 (1824), ff. 547rv-650rv. Italian, Latin.

[Pietro Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary], to [Leo XII, Pope], [Rome, December 1824].

M. Report on the vicariate of Nova Scotia, following the death of Burke, bp. of Sion, on 19 Nov. 1820. Re CG of 26 July [1824; see Acta 72], audience granted by the addressee on 1 Aug. [1824; see Acta 74], two briefs for Lyons sent to the bp. of Cork [Murphy] on 4 Sept. [1824]. In his letter of 19 Oct. [1824; see Acta 76], Lyons informed that he did not accept the appointment as vic. ap. in Nova Scotia. The CG of 29 Nov. [1824; see Acta 75] decided to ask addressee to appoint Fraser, 45, from Scotland, a rector and teacher in the [Killechiarain] seminary in [the island of] Lismore, recommended by [R.] MacDonald, vic. ap. in the Scottish Highlands [in his letter of 24 Dec. 1823; see SOCC 169], and by MacEachern, vic. [general] of the abp. of Québec [Plessis] in Prince Edward Island, in his letter [of 8 July 1824; see SOCC 77]. [The following in Caprano's handwriting] At the audience granted to the writer on 7 Dec. 1824, the Pope accepts Lyons's renunciation [of 19 Oct. 1824; see SOCC 76] and appoints Fraser vic. ap. [in Nova Scotia] and bp. of Tanis. Signed by

Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary. PF notes
(decree sent on 21 May 1825; filed in the archives
of PF in 1843). Bs: 649v-650r.

Dossier: Acta 75-86.

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), ff. 172rv-178rv. Italian,
Latin, French.

Carlo Maria Pedicini, cdl., PF member, to [PF],
[Rome], March 1825.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 28 Mar. 1825].
[This item deals with the United States only]. Bs:
172v, 178v.

Dossier: Acta 79-80. Another C: SOCG 170.

Cross-references: SOCG 170-179.

Remarks: The balance of this dossier, dealing with
the United States only, has not been calendared on
account of its length.

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), ff. 181rv-190rv. Italian, Latin, French.

[Carlo Maria Pedicini, cdl., PF member], to [PF], [Rome, March 1825].

PM. Documents attached to the ponenza [prepared for the CG of 28 Mar. 1825; see Acta 79]. Items III and IV are of interest for Canada; [III] Malou to PF, New York, 7 Dec. 1821 ([C.] French is mentioned). [IV] Malou to PF, [New York, after Nov. 1823] (French is mentioned). [The balance of this item deals with the United States only]. Bs: 189v-190rv.

Dossier: Acta 79-80. Another C: SOCC 171.

Cross-references: SOCC 170-179.

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), f. 240[a]rv. Latin.

From [PF], [Rome], 30 May 1825.

M. List of cdl.s who attended the CG of 30 May 1825. They were Pacca, Spina, Castiglioni, Fesch, De Gregorio, Bertazzoli, Pedicini, Rivarola, Riario Sforza, with Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, ~~abn~~ Ugolini, protonotary apb.. B: 240[a]v.

Dossier: Acta 81-83. Another C: SO CG 180.

Cross-references: SO CG 180-188.

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), ff. 241rv-249rv, 252rv-258rv. Italian, Latin, French.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, to [PF], [Rome], May 1825.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 30 May 1825], in 20 ##, followed by 4 questions on the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada. They are followed by archival notes and a Sommario. The contents of this ponenza are said to be confidential. The diocese of Québec, discovered by Cartier in 1546 [recte in 1534], had its first bp. in Laval (bp. of Petraea from 1657 [recte 1658-1674], bp. of Québec from 1670 [recte 1674-1688], and has now (1819) 500,000 Catholic inhabitants, of whom 200,000 are in Lower Canada, and (in 1825) 150,000 in Upper Canada, of whom 50,000 are Catholic. Burke was appointed bp. of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, in the CG of 19 Aug. 1817 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 33], replaced by Fraser in the CG of 29 Nov. 1824 [see Acta 75]. The CG of 23 Sept. 1817 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 35] deferred a new subdivision of the diocese, yet Plessis was appointed abp. in the CG of 23 Nov. 1818 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 39]. At the same time, McDonell and MacEachern were appointed vic.s general, suffragan and auxiliary bp.s in Upper

Canada, and in Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Iles de la Madeleine. When the [English] Secretary of State for [War and] the Colonies, Lord Bathurst, complained about Plessis's new title, the CG of 24 Jan. 1820 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 46] allowed him not to use it, at the same time appointing Lartigue and Provencher vic.s general, suffragan and auxiliary bp.s in Montreal and in the North, while Cape Breton [Island] was joined to MacEachern's jurisdiction. Later, the CG of 24 Feb. 1823 [see Acta 61], ruled out the erection of new bishoprics which had been suggested by Lartigue in 1821 and MacEachern [in his letter of 9 Nov. 1819; see SOCC 152], on account of the British government's opposition, although the latter was mainly aimed at the appointment of an abp.. In Mar. [1825] McDonell went to Rome to ask for the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada. Plessis's letter to Poynter of 29 Aug. 1824 [see Sommario, no. IV; and in SOCC 184] is transcribed, which shows that the government is not opposed to the erection of the new bishopric. Poynter, who had forwarded it to Gradwell, Rector of the English College in Rome and his own procurator, on 2 Nov. 1824, mentioned Stuart, the new Protestant bp. [of], and the fact that Bathurst, who knows that McDonell is "absolutely necessary to keep good order in Upper Canada," has disbursed in the past "large amounts of money" to him and has recently

paid all his back dues. To the Pro-Prefect [della Somaglia]'s letter of 27 Nov. [1824], Poynter answered on 21 Dec. [1824] (see Sommario, no I [also SOCG 188]), and again on 8 Feb. [1825] (see Sommario, no II [also SOCG 186]), repeating that Bathurst is not opposed to the erection of the new bishopric, but has asked the Governor [-in-Chief of Canada, Dalhousie]'s opinion. When McDonell arrived in Rome, on 25 Mar. 1825 he was asked to state his case in writing. McDonell did so in his M [of Apr. 1825] (see Sommario, no. III [also SOCG 183]), Plessis's letter of 29 Aug. 1824 (see Sommario, no. IV [also in SOCG 184]). In his M, McDonell, who does not seem to be current in some British political affairs, describes births, emigration from Scotland and Ireland, conversions, revenues of the future bishopric, a seminary being built, seven churches (there were two [in 1804]), seven priests (one in 1804), one student in Québec, four or five students with the Sulpicians in Montreal. The new bishopric will establish its see in Kingston, and a slight change of borders will be necessary. According to the writer, Plessis's letters to Poynter of 29 Aug. 1824 and of 28 Oct. 1824 [see SOCG 185] show that he is in favour of the erection of a new bishopric, although it is unclear whether McDonell is his candidate for the position. The bp. fears that Upper Canada will experience the same difficulties as Nova Scotia,

where, after Burke's appointment [as vic. ap. in 1817], Canadian priests left, only few second-rate European priests arrived, the Scots and the Irish were not provided for, the Acadian and Indian missions were abandoned, and the vacancy that followed Burke's death [in 1820] continues to this date. The four questions are: [1] whether to erect the bishopric of Upper Canada and appoint McDonnell; [2] where to establish the see of the new bishopric; [3] whether to write to Poynter and to Plessis on the union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; [4] whether to assign any income to McDonnell. Archival notes [re Bulgaria, Serbia, Hungary, the United States]. The Sommario contains the following: [1] No. I: Poynter #to PF [della Somaglia], [London], 21 Dec. 1824; [2] No. II: Poynter to PF [della Somaglia], [London], 8 Feb. 1825; [3] No. III: McDonnell to PF, [Rome, Apr. 1825], [4] No. IV: Plessis to McDonnell, Quebec, 29 Aug. 1824. [In this item, the Ionian Islands, Naples, Hanover are also mentioned]. Bs: 241v, 249v, 252v.

Dossier: Acta 81-83. Another C: SOCG 181.
Another C of item 1: SOCG 188; of item 2: SOCG 186; of item 3: SOCG 183; of item 4: SOCG 187.
Cross references: SOCG 180-188.

Acta, vo. 188 (1825), ff. 250-251rv. Latin,
Italian.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to [PF], [Rome] 30 May 1825.

R of the CG of 30 May 1825 [see Acta 82]: [1-3]
[The erection of the bishopric in Upper Canada is]
Deferred, and write to Poynter to consult with Lord
Bathurst, to verify the revenues of the new
bishopric, and Plessis's agreement; [4] [As to the
income to be assigned to the new bishopric] Refer
to [PF] Pro-Prefect [della Somaglia] and to the
[PF] Prefect of the Economy. Bs: 250v-251rv.

Dossier: Acta 81-83. Another C: SOCG 182.

Cross-references: SOCG 180-188.

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), ff. 609rv-621rv. Italian, Latin, French.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, to [PF], [Rome], December 1825.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 20 dec. 1825], in 7 ##, followed by 3 questions to be answered by PF, on the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada, followed by a Sommario. The writer recalls the CG of 30 May 1825 [see Acta 82], and the letters written to Poynter (two letters [nos. 143-144], one of which [no. 144] was meant to be shown to Lord Bathurst), Maréchal, Plessis, of 9 July 1825. Before answers to the said letters were received, other documents were acquired, showing that Plessis is not opposed to the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada, but has doubts on McDonnell's revenues and fears the vacancy that would follow the latter's death; that Poynter fears the dangers of episcopal vacancies, with particular regard to Panet and the Montreal disorders that followed Lartigue's appointment as vic. general, suffragan and auxiliary bp. [in the CG of 24 Jan. 1820; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 46], although he is in favour of a settlement; that McDonnell asks that Weld be appointed his coadjutor. Reference is made to the following letters: Poynter to Caprano,

[London], 24 June [1825; see item 1 of SOCG 193]; Plessis to Poynter, [Québec], 25 Mar. 1825 (Sommario, no 1) [see item 2 of SOCG 193]; Plessis to Poynter, [Québec], 29 Aug. 1824 [see item 1 of SOCG 184]; Plessis to Poynter of 28 Oct. 1824 [see SOCG 185]; Poynter to Gradwell, [London], 26 July [1825] (Sommario, no. 2) [see SOCG 192]. The answers of Poynter, Maréchal and Plessis were subsequently received. In his letter of 9 Aug. 1823 [recte 1825; see SOCG 194], Poynter argued that it was important to profit from Bathurst's good disposition towards Catholics, although the erection of the new bishopric has some disadvantages. Reference is made to the following letters: McDonell to Poynter, London [before 9 Aug. 1825] (Sommario, no. 3 [recte 4]) [see SOCG 195]; Poynter to Gradwell, [London], 6 Oct. 1825 (Sommario, no. 5) [see item 2 of SOCG 197]. In his letter of 28 Sept. [1825] (Sommario, no. 6) [see SOCG 198], Maréchal is in favour of McDonell's appointment as vic. ap. in Upper Canada, where Catholics are 30,000 and growing daily on account of Irish and Scottish immigration and the Sulpicians are likely to establish a seminary. Furthermore, Bathurst promised McDonell a pension and land. In his letter of 4 Oct. 1825 (Sommario, no. 7) [see SOCG 199], Plessis is in favour of McDonell's appointment, considering his person, his revenues, and the attitude of the British

government. He also favours Kingston as the see of the new bishopric, whereas York will be the see of the Anglican bp.. Reference is made to Plessis's letter [to Caprano or della Somaglia] of 15 Apr. 1825. The questions to be answered by PF are the following: [1] whether to erect a bishopric in Upper Canada and appoint McDonell; [2] what are to be the borders of the new bishopric, and whether they should include New Longville, Hinchbrook, Godmanchester, and the Indian village of St. Regis; [3] whether to appoint Weld as coadjutor, or to write to Poynter for suggestions. The Sommario contains the following items: [1] Poynter to Caprano, London, 24 June 1825, attaching Plessis to Poynter, Quebec, 25 Mar. 1825; [2] Poynter to Gradwell, English College, 23 Aug. 1825 [recte London, 26 July 1825]; [3] Poynter to [della Somaglia], London, 9 Aug. 1825; [4] McDonell to Poynter, [London, before 9 Aug. 1825]; [5] Poynter to Gradwell, English College, 1 Dec. 1825 [recte London, 2 Sept. 1825]; [6] Maréchal to [della Somaglia], Baltimore, 28 Sept. 1825; [7] Plessis to [della Somaglia], Québec, 4 Oct. 1825. [The balance of this item deals with Trinidad, Haiti].

Bs: 609v, 614v, 616rv.

Dossier: Acta 84-87. Another C: SOCC 189. Another C of item 1: SOCC 193; of item 2: SOCC 192; of item 3: SOCC 194; of item 4: SOCC 195; of

item 5: SOCG 197; of item 6: SOCG 198; of item 7:
SOCG 199.

Cross-references: SOCG 189-199.

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), ff. 615rv-615[a]rv. Latin, Italian.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, to [PF], [Rome], 20 December 1825.

C. R of the CG of 20 Dec. 1825. [1] [On the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada and McDonnell's appointment] Approved, and [PF] Secretary [Caprano] will take the matter before the Pope [Leo XII]; write to Plessis, Poynter, McDonnell must be certain of his revenues. [2] The see of the new bishopric is to be in Kingston; the inclusion of New Langville, Hinchbrook, Godmanchester and the Indian village of St. Regis, the decision is deferred. [3] Write to Poynter to report on Weld, before a coadjutor is appointed. PF notes (report to the Pope [see Acta 86]). Bs: 615v-615[a]rv.

Dossier: Acta 84-87. Another C: SOCC 190

Cross-references: SOCC 189-199.

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), ff. 615[b]rv-615[c]rv.
Italian.

Pietro Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, to
Leo XII, Pope, [Rome, January 1826].

MS. Plessis, abp. of Québec, presides over a
growing church in Canada, with 500,000 Catholics,
assisted by his coadjutor, Panet, bp. of Salde,
and by four vic.s general, suffragan and auxiliary
bp.s [McDonell, MacEachern, Lartigue, Provencher].
When in Rome during the Spring [1825], McDonell
asked for the erection of a bishopric in Upper
Canada. Poynter, vic. ap. in the London district,
is favourable to McDonell's request and has
reported on the attitude of Lord Bathurst, minister
for [War and] the Colonies. The CG of 30 May 1825
[see Acta 82] deferred the decision, waiting for
Plessis's opinion and for assurances re McDonell's
revenues. These were later received from Plessis
[in his letter of 4 Oct. 1825; see SOCC 199],
Maréchal [in his letter of 28 Sept. 1825; see SOCC
198], and Poynter [in his letter of 9 Aug. 1823;
see SOCC 194]. Later, the CG of 20 Dec. 1825 [see
Acta 84] decided to ask the addressee to appoint
McDonell. At the audience granted on 8 Jan. 1826,
the Pope approves and orders that ap. letters be
sent. Signed by the writer. PF notes (CG of 20

Dec. 1825; decrees sent on 15 Jan. 1826; filed in
1843).

Dossier: Acta 84-87

Cross-references: SOCG 189-199

Acta, vol. 188 (1825), ff. 615[d]rv-615[e]rv.
Italian.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to Leo XII, Pope, [Rome, February 1826].

M. At the audience granted by the addressee on 8
Jan. 1826 [see Acta 86], two briefs were prepared,
for McDonell and for Plessis. Before they were
sent, the news of Plessis's death (4 Dec. 1825) was
received. Briefs should now be replaced with new
ones, where Panet, the former coadjutor, replaces
Plessis. [The following in della Somaglia's
handwriting] At the audience granted on 11 Feb.
1826, the Pope approves. Signed by the writer. PF
notes ([decess] sent on 14 Feb. 1826; filed in
1843). B: 615[e]r.

Dossier: Acta 84-87.

Cross-references: SOCG 189-199.

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SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 364rv-373rv. Italian, Latin.

Luigi Ercolani, cdl., member of PF, to [PF], [Rome], June 1821.

PM with ms notes. Ristretto of the CG of 31 July 1821, mainly dealing with the United States. The person of [C.] Ffrench is discussed at length. He is accused of having incurred substantial debts in Ireland and of misbehaviour in Québec and in New York (see Sommario, no. A/2). Reference is made to Raby's deposition [of 6 Sept. 1819; see SOCG 103]; Raby, parish priest of Saint-Antoine-de-Tilly, maintains that a maid [Gaudin] told him that Ffrench tried to seduce her, to no avail (see Sommario, no. A/4). Evidence is circumstantial, yet the abp. of Québec [Plessis] on 6 Sept. 1820 [see SOCG 6] notified the PF Prefect [Fontana] that he withdrew Ffrench's spiritual powers for immoral behaviour [on 15 June 1817; see item 2 of SOCG 41] (see Sommario, no. A/5). Ffrench's scandalous conduct is confirmed by the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal]'s letter of 18 Sept. 1819 (see Sommario, no. A/3e). The bp. of New York [Connolly] supports Ffrench and justifies his actions (see Sommario, no. B/1). R, signed by Ercolani: As far as Ffrench is concerned (no. 5), he must leave the

diocese [of New York] within three months of
Connolly's reception of the letter of PF. Re PF
letter to Connolly of 18 Aug. 1821. [The balance
of this item deals with the United States]. Bs:
364v, 373v-373rv.

Dossier: SOCG 10127. Another C: Acta 52.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56

Remarks: For the Sommario, see Acta 54.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 374rv-379rv. Italian, Latin, French.

Giuseppe Maria Mazetti, OCarm, consultor of PF, to [PF], [Rome], 16 July 1820.

PM. The writer's opinion re ecclesiastical affairs in the diocese of New York. As far as [C.] French is concerned, the addressees are reminded that he has been accused of having incurred substantial debts in Ireland and of misbehaviour in Québec. On [26] Aug. 1817 [see items 2 and 3 of SOCG 41] French was interdicted by the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis] for seducing a young girl ^[Gaudin] ~~and~~ and for stealing money belonging to the church of Saint John. However, little evidence is available, except for Raby's deposition [of 6 Sept. 1819; see SOCG 103]. The letters of Plessis [to Willcocks, of 24 Mar. 1819; see SOCG 85] and [Boucher de] Boucherville on the subject are too vague. According to the writer, although accusations against French are unproven, Connolly, bp. of New York should expel him from his diocese. B: 379v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: Acta 53; SOCG 23.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 380rv-401rv. Italian, Latin, French.

[Luigi Ercolani, cdl., member of PF], to [Rome, June 1821].

PM. Sommario [containing items referred to in the CG of 31 July 1821; see Acta 52]. The following items are summarized or copied out. [1] No. A/1: T. Stoughton and the trustees of New York to [Pius VII], [New York, May 1819]; [2] No. A/2: Taylor to [Fontana], [Rome, Apr./May 1820]; [3] No. A/3[c]: Maréchal to Fontana, [Baltimore], 23 Dec. 1819. [4] No. [A/3/d]: Maréchal to [Fontana], [Baltimore], 2 Jan. 1820. [5] No. [A/3/e]: Maréchal to PF, [Baltimore], 18 Sept. 1819. [6] No. [A/4]: Raby's affidavit, New York, 6 Sept. [1819]. [7] No. A/5: Plessis to [Fontana], [Québec], 6 Sept. 1820. [8] No. A/6: Malou to Fontana, [New York], 2 [and 5] Mar. 1820. [9] No. A/7: [Inglesi's] report on the United States, [Louisiana, ?1820]. [10] No. B/1: Connolly to [Fontana], New York, 10 Mar. 1820. [11] No. B/2: Connolly to [Fontana], New York, 15 Feb. 1820. [12] No. B/3: Connolly [recte Argenti] to [PF], [Rome, 1820]. [13] No. B/10[f]: O'Gorman et al. to [Connolly], [New York], 10 Feb. 1820. [14] No. [B/10/g]: Proceedings of the meeting of the New

York Catholics, New York, 1 Feb. 1820. [15] No.
[B/10/h]: The Catholics of New York to Pius VII,
New York, 1 Feb. 1820. [16] No. B/5: Troy to
[Fontana], Dublin, 4 May 1820. [17] No. B/6:
Connolly to [Fontana], [New York], 10 Feb. 1820.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: Acta 54.
Another C of item 1: SOCG 97; of item 2: SOCG 11;
of item 3: SOCG 10; of item 4: SOCG 8; of item 5:
SOCG 92; of item 6: SOCG 103; of item 7: SOCG 6;
of item 8: SOCG 119; of item 9: SOCG4; of item
10: SOCG 13; of item 11: SOCG 14; of item 12:
SOCG 15; of item 13: SOCG 18; of item 14: SOCG
78; of item 15: SOCG 102; of item 16: SOCG 19; of
item 17: SOCG 20.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 402rv-405rv. Italian.
[Angelo Inglesi, priest], to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, and Carlo Maria Pedicini,
PF Secretary], [Louisiana, 1820?].

M. A report on the United States, dealing particularly with Louisiana, entitled "Relazione Dello Stato attuale, di bisogni, e di ~~P~~rogetti delle Missioni degli Stati Uniti dell'America Settentrionale." The writer suggests that both Malou and [C.] Ffrench] be expelled [from the diocese of New York]. PF S. B: 405r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. An extract: item 9 of Acta 54.

Cross-references: Acta 51-54.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 406rv-415rv. Italian.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 2 and 5 March
1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 119. B: 415r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 416rv-417rv. French.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Québec, 6 September and 4 October 1820.

LS. On his way back to his diocese, the writer visited the dioceses of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore. The abp. [of Baltimore, Maréchal] won his battle against the Dominican Carbry, and intends to entrust the Carolinas and Georgia to the American Jesuit Fenwick. The diocese of Philadelphia is vacant [since 1814] and it is administered by de Barth. As to C. Ffrench, he was employed in the diocese of Québec (1813-17) before being suspended on [15 June]¹⁸¹⁷ [for immoral behaviour [see item 2 of SOCG 41]. The writer suggests that both Ffrench and the Jesuit Malou be expelled from the diocese of New York, whose bp., Connolly, is caught in the dispute. Ffrench is supported by the lowest Irish populace, who also favour their disgraceful priests over the French bp.s [of the United States], who are respected by most American Catholics. As to the diocese of Québec, Lartigue continues to refuse to be appointed bp. of Telmissus (as explained in the writer's letter of 17 Apr. [1820; letter missing, but see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 95], without a letter from the

Pope [Pius VII]. The balance of this item deals with Saint-Domingue]. PS (dated 4 Oct. [1820, in Plessis's handwriting]): A letter of the abp. of Baltimore is enclosed [to Plessis, of 3 Oct. 1820?]. PF S.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. An extract: item 7 of Acta 54.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

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SOCG, vol. 184 (1821), ff. 418rv-419rv. Italian.

From Louis Raby, priest, [New York], 6 September
1819

Translation into Italian of SOCG 103. PF notes. B:
419r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 420rv-421rv. French.
Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF PRefect,
Baltimore, 2 January 1820.

ALS. The carrier of this letter, Taylor, will report
on Ffrench's turpitudes, well known in New York.
The writer would had not believed them, were it not
for a letter he just received from the bp. of Saldes
[Panet], coadjutor of the abp. of Québec, a C of
which is enclosed [see SOCG 41]. [The balance of
this item deals with the United States]. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian: SOCG
9. An extract: item 4 of Acta 54. Enclosure: SOCG
41.
Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 422rv-425rv. Italian.

Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect,
Baltimore, 2 January 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 8. PF notes. Bs:
424rv-425r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 426rv-429rv. Latin.

Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to
[Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect],
Baltimore, 23 December 1819.

ALS. Merchants from Québec and Montréal, who
often go to New York, were horrified to hear that
[C.] Ffrench was employed there as a priest. There
are two parties in New York, one against, one for
Ffrench (O'Gorman and the Irish lowest populace).
The only solution is to entrust the matter to the bp.
of Boston [Lefebvre de Cheverus] and the abp. of
Québec [Plessis], who have access to all documents.
[The balance of this item deals with the United
States, Haiti, Sankt Croix].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. An extract: item 3 of Acta
54.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 430rv-439rv. Italian,
French.

William Taylor, priest, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP,
cdl., PF Prefect, [Rome, April/May 1820].

Probably a translation into Italian of an original letter in English. The writer reminds the addressee of the "spirit of liberty" prevailing in America [i.e., the United States], where in fact in the name of liberty people are made subject to other people. He also maintains that the character of the Irish clergy in Ireland must not be confused with the behaviour of many Irish priests in America. The latter, mainly ecclesiastics who were not wanted by their bp.s at home, used the American freedom to mingle with the lowest populace and to misbehave. The writer's own experience in the United States shows that the French clergy has no "national antypathy" against the Irish, whereas they rightly complain about the Irish priests who are among them. As to the troubled state of the New York church, he blames C. Ffrench and Connolly's weakness for causing it. Ffrench is a drunkard, a libertine who seduced many women and perhaps has a son, and mingles with the Irish populace. His many misdeeds in Canada and in New York are proved by the deposition of a Canadian priest [Raby, of 6 Sep. 1819; see SOCG

103], who happened to be in New York; by a letter of the abp. of Québec [to Willcocks, of 24 Mar. 1819; see SOCG 85], and by letters written by other Canadian priests [Lagarde, of 14 June and 6 July 1819; see SOCG 113-114; P.-J.-L. Desjardins, of 10 Aug. and 11 Dec. 1819; see SOCG 86-87]. The writer suggests that all troubles in New York be solved by entrusting the matter to [Lefebvre de] Cheverus, bp. of Boston. PF notes. B: 439r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 2 of Act 54.

Enclosure: SOCG 88.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 440rv-447rv. Italian.

Thomas Stoughton, Spanish consul in New York, and
the New York trustees to [Pius VII, Pope], [New
York, May 1819].

Translation into Italian of SOCG 97.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 449rv-455rv. Italian, French.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to [?Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 10 March 1820.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter of 3 July [1819], received at the end of Sept. [1819], and recalls his own letters to Litta of 21 Nov. 1818, of 25 Oct. [1819] and 15 [Feb. 1820; see SOCG 14].

The dispute between Malou and [C.] Ffrench is described. As for Ffrench, the opinion of the Canadian clergy is divided, Raby's case [of 6 Sept. 1819; see SOCG 103] is based on the words of a woman [Gaudin] who was dead [when the affidavit was written], and the letter of recommendation written by the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis, of 26 Feb. 1816; see item 1 of SOCG 41] to the behoof of Ffrench upon his departure makes any further enquiry unnecessary. As for Malou, he speaks only French and is supported by the French-speaking Catholics of New York. The latter, who mistrust the writer, want to force French, Swiss, German and Italian priests on an English-speaking Catholic community. A New York trustee born in Italy [Del Vecchio] told the writer that he would not treat a bp. in his own country as he treated the bp. of New

York, yet "this [the United States] is a free country,
and everybody is allowed to voice his opinion." [The
balance of this item deals with the United States].

PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 10 of Acta
54.

Cross-references: Acta 56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 456rv-457rv. Italian.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to [?Francesco
Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 15
February 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 10127. Another C: item 11 of Acta

54. Enclosure: SOCG 20.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 458rv-461rv. Italian.
[Giovanni Giuseppe Vincenzo Argenti, abate, PF
clerk, agent in Rome of the abp. of Dublin], to PF,
[Rome, 1820].

M. [This item deals with the United States only].

Bs: 460rv-461r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 12. of Acta
54.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 462rv-473rv. Italian.

The Catholics of New York to Pius VII, Pope, New York, 21 February 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 102 [in Cicognani's handwriting]. Signed by Cicognani, Rome, 5 May 1820. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 474rv-475rv. Italian.

From the Catholics of New York, New York, 1

February 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 78 [in Cicognani's

handwriting]. Signed by Cicognani, Rome, 5 May

1820. PF notes. B: 475v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 476rv-477rv. Latin
Michael O^hGorman, priest, et al., to John Connolly,
OP, bp. of New York, [New York], 10 February 1820.

MS. A petition against Taylor and Malou, signed by
O^hGorman, Bulger, [T.], O^hFlynn, McKenny, C.
Ffrench, Farnon. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 13 of Acta
54. Enclosed with SOCG 44.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 478rv-479rv. Italian.

John Thomas Troy, abp. of Dublin, to Francesco
Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Dublin, 4 May 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States,
Ireland].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. An extract: item 16 of Acta
54.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 480rv-487rv. Italian,
French.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to [Francesco
Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 10
February 1820.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter
of 3 July [1819], received at the end of Sept. [1819],
and recalls his own letters to Litta of 21 Nov. 1818,
and to the addressee of 25 Oct. [1819] and 15 Feb.
[1820; see SOCG 14]. The dispute between Malou
and C. Ffrench is described. The opinion of the
Canadian clergy on the latter is divided. The letter
of recommendation written by the [a]bp. of Québec
[Plessis, of 26 Feb. 1816; see item 1 of SOCG 41] to
the behoof of Ffrench upon his departure makes any
further enquiry unnecessary. [The balance of this
item deals with the United States]. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. An extract: item 17 of Acta
54. Enclosed with SOCG 14. PF S: SOCG 21.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 488rv. Italian.

From [PF], [Rome, June 1821].

PF S of SOCG 20. B: 488r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 489rv. Italian, Latin.

From [PF], [Rome, June 1821].

M. The matters discussed in the congresso of 7
Apr. 1820 must be discussed in a CG [of 31 July
1821; see Acta 52]. B: 489r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 490rv-498rv. Italian, Latin, French.

Giuseppe Maria Mazzetti, OCarm, consultor of PF, to [PF], [Rome], 16 July 1820.

PM. The writer's opinion re ecclesiastical affairs in the diocese of New York. As far as [C.] Ffrench is concerned, the addressees are reminded that he has been accused of having incurred substantial debts in Ireland and of misbehaviour in Québec. On [26] Aug. 1817 [see items 2 and 3 of SOCG 41] Ffrench was interdicted by the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis] for seducing a young girl [Gaudin] and for stealing money belonging to the church of Saint John. However, little evidence is available, except for Raby's deposition [of 6 Sep. 1819; see SOCG 103]. The letters of Plessis [to Willcocks, of 24 Mar. 1819; see SOCG 85] and [Boucher de] Boucherville on the subject are too vague. According to the writer, although accusations against Ffrench are unproved, Connolly, bp. of New York, should expel him from his diocese. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: Acta 53, SOCG 2.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 504rv. Italian.

Ercole Consalvi, cdl., Secretary of State, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, [Rome], 8
May 1821.

LS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosures: SOCG 29-31.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1821), ff. 505rv-506rv. Italian.
Ercole Consalvi, cdl., Secretary of State, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, [Rome],
19 April 1820.

LS ("B"). [This item deals with the United States
only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 508rv-509rv. Italian.

William Taylor, priest, to Giulio Maria della Somaglia,
cdl., member of PF, [?Rome, Apr./May 1820].

C ("B"). Accusations against [C.] Ffrench. [This
item deals with the United States, France]. Re PF
letter to Connolly of 19 Aug. 1820.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 510rv-511rv. Italian.
Ercole Consalvi, cdl., Secretary of State, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, [Rome], 5
August 1819.

LS. [This item deals with the United States only].

B: 511v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 512rv-513rv. Italian.

Ercole Consalvi, cdl., Secretary of State, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, [Rome],
25 March 1820.

LS ("B"). [This item deals with the United States
only]. PF S of SOCG 28, 61. Re PF answer of 20
Apr. 1820. B: 513r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosure: SOCG 61.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 514rv, 519rv. French.
Charles-Louis, Count d'Espinville, French consul, New
York trustee, to Count de Blacas, French ambassador
to the Holy See, New York, 27 February 1821.

C. [This item deals with the United States, Ireland].

Bs: 514v, 519rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 29.

Enclosures: SOCG 30-31.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 515rv, 518rv. French.
William Taylor, priest, to [Count de Blacas, French
ambassador to the Holy See], New York, 13 February
1821.

C. [This item deals with the United States only].

B: 518rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 24 29.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 516rv-517rv. French.
William Taylor, priest, to [Ercole Consalvi, cdl.,
Secretary of State], New York, 13 february 1821.

C. [This item deals with the United States only].

B: 517rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 24 29.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 520rv-521rv, 524rv-525rv.

Italian.

[Jean-Guillaume Hyde de Neuville, French
plenipotentiary minister to the United States], to
[Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore], New
York, 14 Oct. 1819.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 33. Bs: 524rv-
525rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 522rv-523rv. French.

[Jean-Guillaume Hyde de Neuville, French plenipotentiary minister to the United States], to [Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore], New York, 14 October 1819.

LS [the signature consists of the initial "N"]. [This item deals with the United States only]. B: 523rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 32. Enclosed with SOCG 35.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 526rv-527rv, 530rv-531rv.

Italian.

Jean Guillaume Hyde de Neuville, French
plenipotentiary minister to the United States, to
[Aléxandre-Angélique-de Talleyrand-Périgord, cdl.,
abp. of Paris], Washington, 25 [recte 28] December
1819.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 35. Bs: 530rv-
531rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 528rv-529rv. French.
Jean-Guillaume Hyde de Neuville, French
plenipotentiary minister to the United States, to
[Aléxandre-Angélique de Talleyrand-Périgord, cdl.,
abp. of Paris], Washington, 28 December 1819.

LS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 34. Enclosure: SOCG 33.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol 925 (1821), ff. 523rv, 535rv. Italian.

Charles-François d'Aviau Du Bois de Sanzay, abp. of
Bordeaux, to [Aléxandre-Angélique de Talleyrand-
Périgord, cdl., abp. of Paris], Bordeaux, 16 February
1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 37. Bs: 532v,
535rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 533rv-534rv. French.
Charles-François d'Aviau Du Bois de Sanzay, abp. of
Bordeaux, to [Aléxandre-Angélique de Talleyrand-
Périgord, cdl., abp. of Paris], Bordeaux, 16 February
1820.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Bs: 533v-534rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 36.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 536rv, 539rv. Italian.
Aléxandre-Angélique de Talleyrand-Périgord, cdl.,
abp. of Paris, to Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N.
in Paris, Paris, 27 February 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 39. B: 539rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 537rv-538rv. French.
Aléxandre-Angélique de Talleyrand-Périgord, cdl.,
abp. of Paris, to Vincenzo Macchi, abp. of Nisibis, N.
in Paris, Paris, 27 February 1820.

LS. An American priest [Taylor] is on his way to
Rome, where he hopes to meet with the [a]bp. of
Québec [Plessis]. [The balance of this item deals
with the United States]. Bs: 537v-538rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 38.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 540rv-543rv. Italian,
Latin.

Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., Pf Prefect, Baltimore,
3 January 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 41. PF notes. Bs:
542v-543r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 544rv-545rv. French,
Latin.

Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to
Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect,
Baltimore, 3 January 1820.

AMS. The writer's letter [dealing with the United States only] is preceded by an "Extrait des registres de l'Eveche de Québec, relatif à Mr. French [C. Ffrench] Envoyé à Mgr. L'arch. de Baltimore par Mgr. l'Eveque de Saides [Panet] coadjuteur de Québec 4 decemb. 1819." It contains [1] From Plessis, Québec, 26 Feb. 1816: The Dominican Ffrench, who was employed here [in the diocese of Québec] for three years or more [1813-6], is empowered to perform his duties outside the diocese. [2] Plessis to Ffrench, [Québec], 15 June 1817: the addressee's spiritual powers in the diocese of Québec are suspended, and those granted after he left the mission of Saint-Pierre-de-Bartaboc, on the Miramichi river, are revoked. [3] Plessis to Ffrench, [Québec], 26 Aug. 1817: the writer confirms the suspension [see no. 2], because virtuous priests are needed, not libertines; had he been made aware of the addressee's misbehaviour in Québec, he would never have appointed him missionary in Miramichi, where he has continued to misbehave; celebration of the

mass, however, is not forbidden.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 40. Enclosed with SOCG 8.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 546rv-547rv. Italian,
Latin.

Luigi Fortis, SJ, General, to [?Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], [Rome, 1820/1].

ALS. [This item deals with the United States only].

B: 547v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 548rv-555rv. Italian.

The trustees of St. Patrick's Cathedral and of St. Peter's Church to Pius VII, Pope, [New York, 1820].

Translation into Italian of SOCG 116 [in Cicognani's handwriting]. Signed by Cicognani, in Rome, 1 May 1820.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 556rv-557rv. Italian.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to [Francesco
Fontana, CRSP. cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 10
March 1820.

ALS. In a letter dealing with the United States and
Ireland, C. French is mentioned.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosures: SOCG 18 45 80
102.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 558rv-559rv. Italian.
John Connolly, ~~bp~~, bp. of New York, to Giovanni
Giuseppe Vincenzo Argenti, abate, clerk of PF, agent
in Rome of the abp. of Dublin, New York, 10 March
[1820].

ALS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 44.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 560rv-561rv. Italian.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to Giovanni
Giuseppe Vincenzo Argenti, abate, clerk of PF, agent
in Rome of the abp. of Dublin, New York, 28 June
1820.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States, Italy].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 562rv-567rv. Italian.

Felice Cicognani, lawyer, English translator with PF,
to PF, Rome, 1 May 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 109-112 [in the
writer's handwriting]. B: 567r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 568rv-569rv. Italian.

From [?PF], [Rome, July 1821].

AM. The following documents are either originals or translations. Re to the main ponenza [of June 1821; see Acta 52]. Bs: 568v, 569rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 570rv-587rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Pius VII, Pope], May
1819.

Duplicates of SOCG 12, 73-75, signed by the writer.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: The signatures of SOCG 73 are not listed
here.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 588rv-590rv, 595rv-597rv.

Italian.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to Joseph-Octave Plessis,
abp. of Québec, in Rome, New York, 15 November
1819.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 51. PF notes. B:
596r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 591rv-594rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Joseph-Octave Plessis,
abp. of Québec, in Rome], New York, 15 December
1819.

C. [C.] Ffrench is causing even more troubles, and
openly insults "the murderer" Malou, Willcocks and
Morris. Willcocks went to Québec to find evidence
against Ffrench, but the addressee's coadjutor, the
bp. of Saltes [Panet], maintained that canon law does
not allow laymen to seek evidence against a priest,
although he personally wrote to the bp. of New York
[Connolly] confirming his low opinion of Ffrench.
Yet, in spite of Raby's deposition [of 6 Sep. 1819;
see SOCG 103], of the coadjutor's letter, and of
Ffrench's scandalous behaviour, the bp. of New York
refuses to intervene. Ffrench has in O'Gorman a
faithful servant. The writer was urged to contact
the addressee by [P.-J.-L.] Desjardins, who hopes
that the writer receives the orders of PF before
Easter Monday, the date set for the next elections
[of the New York trustees]. Letters to the writer
must be sent care of Desobry, in New York. [The
balance of this item deals with the United States].
PF S, notes.

SOCG 50.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 598rv-599rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, March 1821.

ACS. The writer, who has been accused of forging letters of the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis], is unhappy with Rome's decision in favour of [C.] Ffrench and O'Gorman. He blames it on the Irish populace, who managed to slander the Jesuits, the Sulpicians, and the French and Canadian priests. [The balance of this item deals with the United States].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: For the end of this item, see SOCG 54.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 600rv-603rv. English.
The Roman Catholics of New York to John Connolly,
OP, bp. of New York, 19, 22 and 26 March 1821.

PM with ms notes ("3"). "Address of the Roman
Catholics of New-York: To the Right Rev. Doctor
John Connolly; together with the Resolutions that
were passed at three meetings [19, 22 and 26 Mar.
1821]. New-York, March 1821." [This item deals
with the Unites States only]. B: 600v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 59.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 604rv. French.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], [New York, March 1821].

CS. Accusations against [C.] French. [The balance
of this item deals with the United States]. B: 604v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: For the beginning of this item, see SOCG
52.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 605rv. English.

Newspaper clipping, [?New York, February 1821].

PM (newspaper clipping). [This item deals with the United States, England].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 59.

Another C: SOCG 58.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 606rv. English.

From the Catholics of New York, New York, 16
March 1821.

PM with ms notes ("2"). [This item deals with the
United States only]. B: 606v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 59.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 607rv. English, French.
[William Taylor, priest], to John Connolly, OP, bp. of
New York, [New York, March 1821].

PM with ms notes [in Malou's handwriting] ("1").
[This item deals with the United States only]. B:
607v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 59.

Another C: in SOCG 77.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 608rv. English.

Newspaper clipping, [?New York, February 1821].

PM (newspaper clipping). [This item deals with the United States, England].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 59.

Another C: SOCG 55.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 609rv-612rv. French.

Latin.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl, PF Prefect], 8 Feb., 20, 24 and 30 March 1821].

ALS. The Irish populace slandered French bp.s [in the United States], Sulpicians both in the United States and Canada, and Jesuits. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. PF notes. B: 612r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosures: SOCG 53, 55-58.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 613rv-615rv, 620rv-622rv.

Italian.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 27 Nov. 1819.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 61. B: 622r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 616rv-619rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 27 Nov. 1819.

ALS. [C.] Ffrench, after misbehaving in Ireland,
went to Lisbon, where he circumvented an old Irish
lady, Connolly, from whom he obtained 300 louis that
he took with him to Canada, instead of using them
for Catholic schools in Ireland, as he had promised.
The source of the above is Raby, parish priest [of
Saint-Antoine-de-Tilly] in Canada. From the abp. of
Québec [Plessis], who surely informed the addressee
of his behaviour, Ffrench received a dismissorial
letter on 26 Feb. 1816, a lettre de congé, [recte an
interdict] on 15 June 1817, and an interdict [recte a
confirmation of his suspension] on 26 Apr. [recte
Aug.] 1817 [see items 1-3 of SOCG 41]. In spite of
the information received from the coadjutor of [the
abp. of] Québec [Panet], the bp. [of New York,
Connolly] does not believe it. Bs: 618v-619rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:
SOCG 60. PF S: in SOCG 28. Enclosed with SOCG
28.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 623rv. French.

Philippe-Jean-Louis Desjardins, priest, to [Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee], Québec, 6 January 1819.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter of 26 [Dec. 1818]. He is well aware of the misbehaviour of the person in question [C. French], but ignores any detail. Probably Mgr. [the abp. of Québec, Plessis] explained it all to the bp. [of New York, Connolly]. The person in question must be convinced to rejoin his Dominican confreres [in Ireland]. The writer opened by mistake the letter which was addressed to their mutual friend in Charlesbourg, [Boucher de Boucherville], and even answered it, believing it for himself. Greetings from Clouet and the Bedard family, good news on Mgr. [Plessis] and Boucherville, thanks for the money received via Le Saulnier. The writer hopes that the new order placed in Italy will bring nice cloth ("Etoffes") and braids ("Galons") for the church.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: Pagination: 623v-623r.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 624rv-626rv. French. Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 10 February 1821. ACS. In this autobiographical letter, sent via Nantes, the writer tells of his life in Belgium, Poland, Germany, France, and accuses [C.] French and O'Gorman. The letter is followed by Cs of the following items: [1] Malou's birth certificate, Ypres, 23 July 1819 [see SOCG 65]; [2] From Kohlman, Georgetown, 20 Apr. 1819; [3] von Metternich-Winneburg to Malou, Bruxelles, 1 July 1793.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C of the letter: SOCG 64; of item 1: SOCG 65; of item 2: SOCG 66; of item 3: SOCG 69.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 627rv, 634rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 8 February 1821.

ALS. In this autobiographical letter, sent via Le
Havre, the writer tells of his life in Belgium, Poland,
Germany, France, and accuses [C.] French,
O'Gorman. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: in SOCG 63.

Enclosures: SOCG 65-69.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 628rv. French, English.

Pierre Malou's birth certificate, Ypres, 23 July 1819.

DS ("2"). Birth certificate of Malou, born in Ypres [in 1753], travelled in Hamburg, the United States, Germany, good behaviour. Signed by Huughe, burgmeister, and Simoens, secretary, in Ypres, 23 July 1819. Certified by Baron de Lund, Governor, in Bruges, 9 Aug. 1819. Certified by Wambersie, United States consul, in Rotterdam, 16 Aug. 1819.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: in SOCG 63.

Enclosed with SOCG 64.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 629rv. English.

From Anthony Kohlmann, SJ, Superior in the United States, Georgetown, 20 April 1819.

DS ("3"). Testimonial letter in favour of Malou. B: 629v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: in SOCG 63.

Enclosed with SOCG 64.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 630rv-631rv. French.
Morel, vic. general of the bp. of Nantes, to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect],
Nantes, 15 March 1821.

ALS. A testimonial letter in favour of Malou. [This
item deals with France, Germany, Russia, the United
States, Belgium].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 64.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 632rv. French.

Charles-Louis, Count d'Espinville, French consul, New York, 8 February 1820.

PM with ms notes. The writer certifies Picot's signature [see SOCG 68]. B: 632v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 64 69.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 633rv. French.

Klemens Lothar Wenzel, Count von Metternich-Winneburg, to Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, Bruxelles, 1 July 1793.

CS [in Malou's handwriting]. A testimonial letter in favour of the addressee. Certified by Picot, secretary and interim chancellor at the French consulate, New York, 8 Feb. 1821. B: 633v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 64.

Enclosure: SOCG 68. Another C: in SOCG 63.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 635rv-640rv. Italian.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to Paul Macpherson, Rector of the Scots ~~College~~ College in Rome, or Giovanni Giuseppe Vincenzo Argenti, abate, clerk of PF, agent in Rome of the abp. of Dublin, New York, 7 May 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 71 [in Cicognani's handwriting], signed by Cicognani, Rome, 29 Aug. 1820. PF A. B: 640r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 641rv-642rv. English.
John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to Paul
Macpherson, Rector of the Scots College in Rome,
or Giovanni Giuseppe Vincenzo Argenti, abate, clerk
of PF, agent in Rome of the abp. of Dublin, New
York, 7 May 1820.

ALS. The writer, who forwards this via Ord of
Philadelphia, recalls his previous one of 10 Mar.
[1820; see SOCG 13]. He accuses Taylor and the
French bp.s of North America, because "They know I
am contrary to their pernicious custom practiced
hitherto, of providing said Churches with french
priests & other clergymen from the Continent of
Europe, who are ignorant of the English language
which is the language of all our Dioceses, excepting
Canada and some parts of Louisiana."

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 70.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 643rv-668rv. Italian.
[The Colombian, no, 2863], [New York, 30 July
1819].

Translation into Italian of [f. 758v of] SOCG 108 [in
Cicognani's handwriting]. Signed by Cicognani,
Rome, 27 May 1820. PF notes. B: 668r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 669rv-676rv. French.

Thomas Stoughton, Spanish consul in New York, and the New York trustees, to [Pius VII, Pope], [New York, May 1819].

MS ("A"). A petition against [C.] French, who is known to blame Malou, the Sulpicians and the Jesuits for the accusations waged against him. The letter of the bp. of Québec [Plessis] of 2 Jan. [1818], the attitude of the latter's vic. general, [P.-J.-L.] Desjardins, and the letter of [Boucher de] Boucherville, parish priest at Charlesbourg, of 12 Jan. 18.], are mentioned. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. This petition is signed by T. Stoughton, J. Stoughton, Morris, Willcocks, Desobry, Larue, Manahan, D. Doyle, D.H. Doyle, Eyquuns, [Count] d'Espinville, Del Vecchio, Harmony.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Sub-dossier: SOCG 73-75.

Another C: in SOCG 49, 97. PF S: SOCG 125.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: In SOCG 97, M'Carthy's and Heffeman's signatures are added.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 677rv-686rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Pius VII, Pope], New
York, 5 and 12 May 1819.

MS ("B"). A Canadian priest [Raby] went to New
York and was surprised to see [C.] Ffrench, a known
drunkard, being employed in the city. He reported
that Ffrench stole money to be used for building a
church [in Saint John], that he had a son from a
woman [Mazerolle] and seduced her sister, both of
whom later disappeared from Canada, probably having
followed him. The [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis] did not
try to refute the said accusations against Ffrench.
[Boucher de] Boucherville, Desjardins are mentioned.
Biographical details on the writer. [The balance of
this item deals with the United States]. B: 677rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Sub-dossier: SOCG 73-75.

Another C: in SOCG 49. [PF?] S: SOCG 98.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 687rv-690rv. French.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Pius VII, Pope], New York, 12 May 1819.

MS ("C"). In a "Supplément," the writer repeats his accusations against [C.] Ffrench, mentioning the letters of Plessis [of 24 Mar. 1819; see SOCG 85] and of [P.-J.-L.] Desjardins [of 11 Dec. 1819; see SOCG 86]. An episode in Ffrench's life is reported: in Saint John, New Brunswick, a physician who had accused Ffrench of libertinage was punished by God and died immediately after refusing to withdraw his accusations. [The balance of this item deals with the United States].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Sub-dossier: SOCG 73-75.

Another C: in SOCG 49. PF S: SOCG 127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 691rv. 693rv. Latin.

William Taylor, priest, to [?Francesco Fontana, CRSP,
cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 16 March 1821.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States only].

B: 693v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosure: SOCG 77.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 692rv. English.

[William Taylor, priest], to John Connolly, OP, bp. of
New York, [New York, March 1821]; Taylor to
[?Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New
York, 16 March 1821.

PM (dated Mar. 1821), followed by ALS (dated 16
Mar. 1821). [This item deals with the United States
only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 76.

Another C of PM: SOCG 57.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 694rv-695rv. English.

From the Catholics of New York, New York, 1

February 1820.

MS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 17. Another C: item 14 of Acta 54.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 696rv. English.

The trustees of St. Peter's Church and St. Patrick's
Cathedral to their congregation, [New York], 10 April
1819.

PM. [This item deals with the United States only].

B: 696v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821); f. 697rv. English.

New York Evening Post, [New York], 22 July [1819].

PM (newspaper clipping). A report on an "Interesting Law Case," [C.] Ffrench vs. Willcocks, 20 July 1819. Ffrench refutes Willcocks' accusations that he stole money from a church in Saint John, New Brunswick. The report mentions Malou and the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis]. Ffrench, who has a brother [E. Ffrench], now a bp. [of Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora], travelled in New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Canada, lived in Saint John for six years [recte in Miramichi, 1813-6] before settling in this city [New York]. [The balance of this item deals with United States real estate classified ads].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. A similar C: SOCG 81.

Enclosed with SOCG 44.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 698rv. English.

[New York Evening Post], [New York, July 1819].

PM (newspaper clipping). A report on an "[Interesti]ng Law Case," Ffrench vs. Willcocks, 20 [July 1819]. Ffrench refutes Willcocks' accusations that he stole money from a church in Saint John, New Brunswick. The report mentions Malou and the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis]. Ffrench, who has a brother [E. Ffrench], now a bp. [of Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora], travelled in New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Canada, lived in Saint John for six years [recte in Miramichi, 1813-6] before settling in this city [New York]. [The balance of this item deals with various announcements of United States interest].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. A similar C: SOCG 80.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 699rv-700rv. English.
From Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, New York,
30 March 1819.

PM. The dispute between Malou and [C.] Ffrench is described, with reference to the correspondence between Malou and the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis]. In answer to Ffrench's accusations, the writer requested "payment of \$100, which I had about nine months previously lent him, for the purpose of discharging an incumbrance on a farm which he had purchased near St. John's [recte Saint John], New Brunswick". [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. Bs: 699v-700rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 701rv, 704rv. Italian.
Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Francesco
Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Lyon, 14 March
1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 84. PF notes. B:
704r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 702rv-703rv. French.
Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Francesco
Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Lyon, 14 March
1820.

ALS. The writer encloses a letter [of 12 Jan.
1820; see SOCG 106] written by a respectable
Catholic of New York [Willcocks], very well known
to him. The enclosed letter supports the case
represented by Taylor before the Holy See.
According to the writer, Taylor would be a good
choice for the coadjutorship of the bp. of New York
[Connolly], and should be received well by the
addressee. PF S. B: 703r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:
SOCG 83. Enclosure: SOCG 106.
Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 705rv-706rv. French.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, bp. of Québec, to Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, Québec, 24 March 1819.

ALS. [In answer to a letter received from the addressee], the writer states that the Catholic Church does not allow laymen to pass judgment over the faith and the customs of priests. However, the trustees of any church have the right to call a meeting and enquire whether they entertain a "honnête homme ou [...] un brigand." He recognizes Ffrench as the person in question; his appeal to the [Mayor's] Court against the trustees [Ffrench vs. Willcocks, 20 July 1819; see SOCG 80-81] is disapproved by the writer. Furthermore, he will not answer Ffrench's letter of 1 [Mar. 1819], because he has nothing to say nor any certificate to issue. BS: 705v-706r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 707rv, 710rv. French.
Philippe-Jean-Louis Desjardins, priest, to Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, Québec, 11 December 1819.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter of 6 Nov. [1810], which he has already answered. While Plessis is in Rome, his coadjutor [Panet] received the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal]'s letter and sent to him: [1] the exeat granted to [C.] French on 26 Feb. 1816 [see item 1 of SOCG 41]; [2] the interdict of 15 June 1817 [see item 2 of SOCG 41]; [3] [Plessis's] very harsh letter [to French] of 26 Aug. 1817 [see item 3 of SOCG 41]. Greetings from [Boucher de] Boucherville and the bp. of Salces [Panet], thanks from Judge Perrault for the letter forwarded to him (the answer is herewith enclosed). Sister Saint Paul, formerly at the Irish novitiate, is dead, and the Mother Superior of the Hôpital Général [Marie-Reine de Saint-Hélène] is also dying [she would die on 13 Dec. 1819]. The writer asks the addressee to forward to him the Journal de l'ami du Roy when received, and informs that he sold all the silk but not the braids ("galon").

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: The only Sister Saint Paul listed among the Augustinians de la Miséricorde de Jésus at the Hôpital Général is Marie-Charlotte de Saint-Paul (Renaud), who however is said to have died on 17 Feb. 1821.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 708rv-709rv. French.

Philippe-Jean Desjardins, priest, to Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, Québec, 10 August 1819; and Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, 2 January 1819.

Cs of two letters. [1] Desjardins testifies that Plessis's letter to Malou dated Québec, 2 Jan. [1819; see SOCG 88] is in the abp.'s handwriting, and that the attached copy [see below] is in the handwriting of the bp. of Saldes, his coadjutor [Panet]; that he himself wrote the letter of 8 Jan. and 22 Mar. [1819], dealing with C. Ffrench and Willcocks; that [Boucher de] Boucherville's letter to Willcocks of 24 Mar. [1819] was written before his eyes; that he knows Plessis's letter to Willcocks of 27 [recte 24] Mar [1819; see SOCG 85]; that he has often written to Willcocks censuring Ffrench's behaviour; that he knows that Plessis interdicted Ffrench because of his libertine behaviour on 26 Aug 1817 [see item 3 of SOCG 41, confirming the interdict], and that a C of the interdict was sent to the bp. of New York [Connolly]. Desjardins adds that his own personal acquaintance of Morisset and Lagarde, missionaries in Miramichi and Fredericton, convinced him that French's pecuniary avidity and dissolute customs

damaged religion more than his collections (which he never publicly accounted for) helped the building of a few chapels. This C is certified and signed by Raby, in New York, 6 Sept. 1819.

[2] [in Panet's handwriting] Plessis is not surprised that the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal] and the bp. of Boston [Lefebvre de Cheverus] refused to interfere with the affairs of the church of New York. When asked by the bp. [of New York, Connolly], he will let him know his opinion of Ffrench. Certified and signed by Panet.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C of item 2: SOCG 88.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 711rv-712rv. French.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, Québec, 2 January 1819.

ALS. The writer is not surprised that the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal] and the bp. of Boston [Lefebvre de Cheverus] refused to interfere with the affairs of the church in New York. When asked by the bp. [of New York, Connolly], he will let him know his opinion of [C.] French. Bs: 711v-712r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Enclosed with SOCG 11.

Another C: item 2 of SOCG 87.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 915 (1821), ff. 713rv, 716rv. Italian.
Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, to William
Taylor, priest, in Rome, with the Jesuits, New
York, 28 February 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 90.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 714rv-715rv. English.

Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, to William Taylor, priest, in Rome, with the Jesuits, New York, 28 February 1820.

ALS. [C.] Ffrench and O'Gorman are mentioned in an item dealing with the United States only.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:
SOCG 89.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 717rv-720rv. Italian.
William Taylor, priest, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP,
cdl., PF Prefect, [Rome, June 1820].

CS. The writer makes reference to his letter to the addressee [of Apr./May 1820; see SOCG 11] and its enclosures, among which he mentions the letter of the coadjutor [Panet] of the [abp.of] Québec [Plessis] to the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal], and the original certificates [in SOCG 41] proving [C.] French's misbehaviour. The writer also makes reference to a letter of the [a]bp. of Québec [of 2 Jan. 1819; see SOCG 88], to letters from Canada [by Lagarde, of 14 June and 6 July 1819; see SOCG 113-114; and by P.-J.-L. Desjardins, of 10 Aug. and 11 Dec. 1819; see SOCG 86-87], to [Raby's] affidavit [of 6 Sept. 1819; see SOCG 103], and to French's interdict [of 15 June 1817; see item 2 of SOCG 41]. He suggests that Grassi, who lived for a long time [1811-1817] in the United States, be consulted. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. PF notes (received on 26 June 1820). Bs: 719v-720r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol.. 925 (1821), ff. 721rv-722rv. Italian.
Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore; to PF,
[Baltimore], 18 September 1819.

Extract. Ffrench was recently condemned by a court
of justice [New York's Mayor's Court, on 20 July
1819; see SOCG 80-81]. [The balance of this item
deals with the Irish in the United States]. PF
notes. Bs: 721v-722r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 5 of Acta
54.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 723rv-726rv. Italian.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 25 February
1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 94. Bs: 725v-
726r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 727rv. French.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 25 February 1820.

ALS. [C. French is mentioned in an item dealing with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 93.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol.. 925 (1821), ff. 728rv-729rv. Italian.
Thomas Stoughton, Spanish consul in New York, and
the New York trustees, to William Taylor, priest,
New York, 23 February 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 96.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 730rv-733rv. English.

Thomas Stoughton, Spanish consul in New York, and the New York trustees, to William Taylor, priest, New York, 23 February 1820.

LS. A letter [dealing with the United States only], accusing [C.] Ffrench and O'Gorman, signed by T. Stoughton, [Count] d'Espinville, Morris, Larue, M'Carthy, Desobry, Manahan, D.H. Doyle, Del Vecchio, Harmony, D. Doyle, J. Lynch, J. Murray, M. Carroll, Corgan, Malibrán, Eyquuns. B: 733rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian: SOCG 95.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 734rv-743rv. French.

Thomas Stoughton, Spanish consul in New York, and the New York trustees, to [Pius VII, Pope], [New York, May 1819].

MS. A petition against [C.] French, who is known to blame Malou, the Sulpicians and the Jesuits for the accusations waged against him. The letter of the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis] of 2 Jan. 1819; see SOCG 88], the attitude of the latter's vic. general, [P.-J.-L.] Desjardins, [in his letter to Malou of 10 Aug. 1819; see item 1 of SOCG 87], and the letter of [Boucher de] Boucherville, parish priest at Charlesbourg, of 12 Jan. [18..], are mentioned. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. This petition is signed by T. Stoughton, J. Stoughton, Morris, Willcocks, Desobry, Larue, Manahan, D.H. Doyle, D. Doyle, Eyquuns, [Count] d'Espinville, M'Carthy, Del Vecchio, Harmony, Heffeman. Notes [in Malou's handwriting], signed by Malou, New York, 21 May 1819.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 1 of Acta 54; in SOCG 49, 93. PF S: SOCG 125. Translation into Italian: SOCG 12.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: M'Carthy's and Heffeman's signatures are
not in SOCG 73.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 744rv-749rv. Italian.

From [?PF], [?Rome, 1821].

A very detailed [PF?] S of SOCG 74.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 9225 (1821), ff. 750rv-751rv. French.
André-Toussaint Lagarde, priest, to [Pierre-Antoine
Malou, SJ, in New York], Sainte-Anne, New
Brunswick, 14 June 1819.

C [in Malou's handwriting]. Writing from the
Acadian and Indian mission of Sainte-Anne [de-
Burnt-Church], the writer acknowledges the
addressee's letter of 9 June [1817] and Willcocks'
letter (which he will not answer [but see his
letter of 6 July 1821; see SOCG 113]). According
to the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis]'s letter to
Marcoux, parish priest of Madawaska, of [29?] Apr.
1818, he interdicted [C.] Ffrench on 15 June 1817;
see item 2 of SOCG 41] because of his libertine
behaviour. As to Ffrench's presence in Miramichi,
Morisset informed the [a]bp. that he had made
pregnant Mazerolle's daughter, whom her father had
given to him as a servant. As to Ffrench's
presence in Kennebekesis, MacQuade reported that
the savages believed Ffrench and a widow Walsh [or
Welch], the daughter of an Irish butcher [Tuls]
(who was also made pregnant), were married; there
he went into business and became indebted.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: SOCG 114.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 752rv-753rv. French.

André-Toussaint Lagarde, priest, to Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, in New York, Fredericton, 6 July 1819.

C [in Malou's handwriting]. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter. With regard to the accusations waged against [C.] Ffrench, first, it is a matter of common knowledge in Fredericton, 70 miles from Miramichi, that he made pregnant the daughter of Mazerolle, a prominent citizen, whom her father had given to him as a servant. The girl, originally from Baie-des-Winds, was obliged to move to Kéchibouctou to hide her shame. Secondly, he stole money to be used for building a church in Saint John (which is now "une espèce de [h]angard"), and bought land in Kennebikesis, where he lived with Mrs. Tuls (the daughter of an Irish butcher, the widow of Mr Welch, [or Walsh], whom he also made pregnant.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: SOCG 113.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 754rv-757rv. Italian.
Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, to Joseph-Octave
Plessis, abp. of Québec, in Rome, New York, 12
January 1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 106 [in
Cicognani's handwriting], signed by Cicognani,
Rome, 29 Apr. 1820. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 758rv-774rv. English.

The Catholics of New York to Pius VII, Pope, New York, 21 February 1820.

MS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Bs: 758v, 759v, 760v, 761v, 762v, 763v, 764v, 765v, 766v, 767v, 768v, 769v, 770v, 771v, 772v, 773v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 15 of Acta

54. Enclosed with SOCG 44. Translation into

Italian: SOCG 16.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 775rv-776rv. English.

From Louis Raby, priest, [New York], 6 September 1819.

MS (affidavit). The writer is a parish priest in Saint-Antoine-de -Tilly for the last five years, and has known C. Ffrench for seven or eight years. They met in New Brunswick, and lived in the same house. Upon returning from accompanying the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis] from Madawaska to Québec, he was told by Gaudin, a 40-year-old servant who had lived in his house for three years, that Ffrench has tried to seduce her. The writer then went to Québec, and only heard of Ffrench again in 1819, when Desjardins told him that the [a]bp. of Québec had interdicted Ffrench on [26] Aug. 1817 [see item 3 of SOCG 41, confirming the interdict] for his libertine behaviour. On this day, the writer read and certified Desjardins' letter of 10 Aug. 1819 [see item 1 of SOCG 87]. The writer adds that in June [1819], he was in Saint-Anne [-de Burnt-Church], where he read Lagarde's letter of 14 June 1819 [see SOCG 114], the latter being a highly respected priest. Signed by Raby and P.A. Jay. B: 776v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: item 6 of Acta

54. Translation into Italian: SOCG 7.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

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SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 777rv-778rv. Italian.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to Giovanni Giuseppe Vincenzo Argenti, abate, clerk of PF, agent in Rome of the abp. of Dublin, New York, 22 January 1820.

ALS. The writer acknowledges Fontana's letter of 3 July [1819], answered on 25 Oct. [1819]. Taylor left New York [for Rome] on 16 Jan. [1820]. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. PF S, notes (22 Mar. 1820: file, and wait for the letter [to Fontana, of 25 Oct. 1819]).

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 779rv-780rv. Italian.

John Connolly, OP, bp. of New York, to Giovanni Giuseppe Vincenzo Argenti, abate, clerk of PF, agent in Rome of the abp. of Dublin, New York, 25 January 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127,

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol 925 (1821), ff. 781rv-782rv. English.
Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, to Joseph-Octave
Plessis, abp. of Québec, in Rome, New York, 12
January 1820.

ALS. Letter of recommendation in favour of Taylor,
a priest in New York, containing accusations
against C. Ffrench, well known to the addressee.
Ffrench is supported by the 15,000 Irish
inhabitants of New York, and by O'Gorman, who would
be the worst choice for the coadjutorship of
Connolly, bp. [of New York].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 101. Enclosed with SOCG 84.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 783rv-784rv. English.

Thomas Stoughton, Spanish consul in New York, and the trustees of St. Peter's Church, to their congregation, [New York], [1820].

PM. An "Address of the Trustees of St. Peter's Church to the Congregation," accusing [C.] Ffrench and O'Gorman, signed by T. Stoughton, Larue, Manahan, M. Carroll, Del Vecchio, Willcocks. [This item deals with the United States only]. B: 784v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian: SOCG 120.

Cross-reference: Acta 51-56.

SOCC, vol. 925 (1821), f. 785rv. English.

The Columbian, no. 2863, New York, 30 July 1819.

PM (newspaper clipping) [f. 785v]. A report on an "Interesting Law Case" at the Mayor's Court, C. Ffrench vs. Willcocks, [20 July 1819]. Ffrench was accused by Willcocks of stealing money from a church in Saint John, New Brunswick. Ffrench spent a year in Québec [recte 1813-6], where he was held in esteem by the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis], then travelled "through the gloomy wilds" of New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia, among "the solitary lakes and winding rivers of those extended regions, to seek a lost and scattered flock." Moneys received there were "satisfactorily set forth." Malou's activities, and the position of the [a]bp. of Québec are described. Among the witnesses, 14 people from New Brunswick (for Ffrench), Duff and Del Vecchio [for Malou]. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. On the reverse side [f. 785r], classified ads of United States interest among which an advertisement for "genuine Bear's Oil," just received from the Fox Indians, known to prevent baldness.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian of

f. 785v: SOCG 72.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 786rv, 793rv. English.
From John L. Lawrence, notary, New York, 19 feb.
1820.

AMS. [This item deals with the United States
only]. Bs: 786v, 793rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Sub-dossier: SOCG 109-112.

Translation into Italian: SOCG 47.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 787rv-788rv. English.

From Nathan Sanford, United States Senator, New York, 8 February 1820.

AMS. [This item deals with the United States only]. B: 788rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Sub-dossier: SOCG 109-112.

Translation into Italian: in SOCG 47.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 789rv-790rv. English.

From Richard Riker, Recorder of the City of New York, New York, 18 February 1820.

AMS. [This item deals with the United States only]. B: 790rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Sub-dossier: SOCG 109-112.

Translation into Italian: in SOCG 47.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 791rv-792rv. English.

From H. Wendover, Congressman, State of New York,
Washington, 22 January 1820.

AMS. [This item deals with the United States
only]. B: 792rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Sub-dossier: SOCG 109-112.

Translation into Italian: in SOCG 47.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 794rv-795rv. French.

André-Toussaint Lagarde, priest, to Lewis Willcocks, New York trustee, in New York, Fredericton, 6 July 1819.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter. With regard to the accusations waged against [C.] French, first, it is a matter of common knowledge in Fredericton, 70 miles from Miramichi, that he had made pregnant the daughter of Mazerolle, a prominent citizen, whom her father had given to him as a servant. The girl, originally from Baie-des-Winds, was obliged to move to Kéchibouctou to hide her shame. Secondly, he stole money to be used for building a church in Saint John (which is now "une espèce de [h]angard"), and bought land in Kennebikesis, where he lived with Mrs. Tuls (the daughter of an Irish butcher, the widow of Mr. Welch [or Walsh], whom he also made pregnant. B: 795r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: SOCG 100.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925, ff. 796rv-797rv. French.

André-Toussaint Lagarde, priest, to [Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, in New York], Sainte-Anne, New Brunswick, 14 June 1819.

ALS. Writing from the Acadian and Indian mission of Sainte-Anne [-de-Burnt-church], the writer acknowledges the addressee's letter of 9 June [1817] and Willcocks's letter (which he will not answer [but see his letter of 6 July 1821; see SOCG 113]). According to the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis]'s letter to Marcoux, parish priest of Madawaska, of ca. April 1818, he interdicted [C.] Ffrench [on 15 June 1817; see item 2 of SOCG 41] because of his libertine behaviour. As to Ffrench's presence in Miramichi, Morisset informed the [a]bp. that he had made pregnant Mazerolle's daughter, whom her father had given to him as a servant. As to Ffrench's presence in Kinnebekesis, MacQuade reported that the savages believed Ffrench and a widow Walsh [or Welch], the daughter of an Irish butcher [Tuls] (who was also made pregnant), were married; there he went into business and became indebted.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Another C: SOCG 99.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: This item is very faded and almost illegible.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 798rv-799rv. Italian.

William Taylor, priest, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP,
cdl., PF Prefect, Rome, 14 May 1820.

ALS. As proven by the letter written by Coppinger,
bp. of Cloyne, in Ireland, on 12 Apr. [1820], the
troubles caused by [C.] Ffrench must be considered
a dispute within the Irish community, not between
the Irish and the French. B: 799r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 800rv-803rv. English.
The trustees of St. Patrick's Cathedral and of St.
Peter's Church to Pius VII, Pope [New York, 1820].

MS. [This item deals with the United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:
SOCG 43.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 804rv, 805rv. Italian.

Extract from a book, New York, 1819.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 118. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), f. 804[a]rv. English.

Extract from a book, [New York, 1819].

PM (pages 11 and 12 of a book) with ms notes. The writer is in favour of [C.] Ffrench, and accuses Willcocks.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 117.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 806rv-808rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect], New York, 2 and 5 March
1820.

ALS. The activities of "virulent" C. French are
mentioned in a letter dealing with the United
States only.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127. An extract: item 8 of Acta
54. Translation into Italian: SOCG 5.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 809rv-814rv. Italian.

Thomas Stoughton, Spanish consul in New York, and the trustees of St. Peter's Church, to their congregation, [New York, 1820].

Translation into Italian of SOCG 107. PF notes ("B").

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925, ff. 815rv-822rv. English.

From the Catholics of New York, New York, April
[?1820 or 1821].

PM. "The Minutes of the Meetings of the Roman Catholic Congregation of New-York, for the Purpose of Selecting Suitable Candidates for Trustees at the Ensuing Election -- Men who will have the Confidence of the People, and who will Support the Right Reverend Bishop [of New York, Connolly] and his Irish Clergy." [C. Ffrench is mentioned in an item dealing with the United States only]. Bs: 815r, 816r, 817r, 818v-819r, 820r, 821v, 822v.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

Remarks: Pagination: 818r, 816v, 817r, 815r,
822r, 821r, 819v.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 823rv. French, English.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to ?, [New York, ?20] May
1819.

ALS, with newspaper clippings pasted on verso.
Accusations against [C.] Ffrench. Newspaper
clippings: [1] Norfolk, 19 May [1819]; [2]
Norfolk, 24 May [1819] [both dealing with the
United States only].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 824rv-825rv. English.

From Charles Ffrench, OP, known as Father
Dominique, New York, 6 April 1819.

PM ("Circular") with ms notes. The writer defends
himself from the accusations waged against him by
Willcocks (with special reference to the latter's
circular letter of 30 Mar. 1819), Malou and Morris.
As to Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and
Newfoundland, there are witnesses in "this city"
[New York] who would "put calumny to the blush."

Bs: 824v-825rv.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 826rv-827rv. English,
French.

Charles Ffrench, OP, known as Father Dominique, to
the Catholics of New York, [New York, 1819/20].

PM with ms notes [in Malou's handwriting]. An
address "To the Members of the Roman Catholic
Communion of the City of New York." [This item
deals with the United States only]. Bs: 826v-
827r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 828rv-831rv. Italian.

From [PF], [Rome, 1821].

PF S of SOCG 73, 97. PF notes. B: 831r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 832rv-833rv. Italian.
Giovanni Antonio Grassi, SJ, to [?Carlo Maria
Pedicini, PF Secretary], [Rome, July 1821?].

AL. According to the addressee's request, the
writer examined Taylor's writings. He spent seven
years [1811-1817] in the United States, and does
not believe the current troubles, caused mainly by
[C.] French, must be regarded as a dispute between
the French and the Irish. He suggests that the bp.
of Boston, [Lefebvre de] Cheverus, be sent [to New
York] as visitor ap., and that ecclesiastical
censures be applied by Roman officials whenever
necessary. [The balance of this item deals with
the United States].

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 925 (1821), ff. 834rv-837rv. Italian.

From [PF], [Rome, 1821].

PF S of SOCG 75. PF notes. Bs: 836v-837r.

Dossier: SOCG 1-127.

Cross-references: Acta 51-56.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 150rv, 153rv-167rv.

Italian, Latin.

Agostino Rivarola, cdl., member of PF to [PF],
[Rome], December 1821.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 3 Dec. 1821,
revised for the CG of 26 Feb. 1822]. [This item
deals with the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit only].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Another C: Acta 58.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821], ff. 151rv-152rv. Italian.
Agostino Rivarola, cdl., member of PF, to [PF],
[Rome, Feb. 1822].

MS. [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-
Esprit only]. B: 152rv.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 168rv-169rv. Italian.

Agostino Rivarola, cdl., member of PF, to Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary, [Rome], 3 April 1822.

LS. [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit only]. Bs: 168v-169r.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 170rv-179rv. French.
[Paris], 1734.

M. "Réglemens généraux et particuliers du
Séminaire du Saint Esprit." [This item deals with
the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit only].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Translation into Italian:
SOCG 133.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 180rv-181rv. Italian.

[Giuseppe Maria Mazetti, OCarm, consultor of PF],
to [PF], [Rome, ?December 1821].

AM. [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-
Esprit only]. B: 181r.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 182rv-197rv. Italian.
[Paris], 1734

Translation into Italian of SOCG 131 [prepared ca.
1821].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 198rv-211rv. Latin.

[Paris], 1734.

M. "Regulae et Constitutiones Sodalitii & Seminarii S. i Spiritus sub immaculatae Virginis tutela," approved by Vintimille du Luc, abp. of Paris. [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit only]. Bs: 209v, 210r, 211r.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), f. 212rv. Latin.

Jacques-M. Bertout, CSSp, Superior of the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit, Warnet, CSSp, Power, CSSp, Fourdinier, CSSp, directors to [the Holy See], Paris, 9 October 1823.

LS. [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit only].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Another C: SOCG 136.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), f. 213rv. Latin.

Jacques M. Bertout, CSSp, Superior of the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit, Warnet, CSSp, Power, CSSp, Fourdinier, CSSp], directors to [the Holy See], [Paris, 9 October 1823].

Df or C: [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit only].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145, Another C: SOCG 135.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 214rv, 217rv. French.
Jean-M. Bertout, CSSp, Superior of the Séminaire du
Saint-Esprit, to cdl. [?], Paris, 30 June 1823.

ALS. [This item deals with Martinique. Ile-de-
Bourbon, Guadeloupe].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Enclosures: SOCG 138-139.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), f. 215rv. French.

From [the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit], [Paris, before June 1823].

PM. [This item deals with Martinique, Sénégal, Gorée].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Another C: SOCG 139.

Enclosed with SOCG 137.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), f. 216rv. French.

From [the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit], [Paris,
before June 1823].

PM. [This item deals with Martinique, Sénégal,
Gorée].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Another C: SOCG 138.

Enclosed with SOCG 137.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), f. 218rv. French.

From Fourdinier, CSSp, Power, CSSp, Warnet, CSSp,
directors of the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit, Paris,
30 June 1823.

LS. [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-
Esprit only]. B: 281v.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Translation into Latin:
SOCG 141.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), f. 219rv. Latin.

From [Fourdinier, CSSp, Power, CSSp, Warnet, CSSp,
directors of the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit],
[Paris, 30 June 1823].

Translation into Latin of SOCG 140.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 220rv-221rv. French.

Jacques-M. Bertout, CSSp, Superior of the Séminaire
du Saint-Esprit, to cdl. [?], Paris, 29 April 1820.

ALS. [This item deals with Cayenne, Ile-de-
Bourbon, Gorée, Martinique].

Dossier: SOCG 128-145. Translation into Italian:

SOCG 143.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 222rv-223rv. Italien.

Jacques-M. Bertout, CSSp, Superior of the Séminaire
du Saint-Esprit, to cdl., [?], Paris, 29 April
1820.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 142. B: 223.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 224rv, 227rv. Italian.
Carlo Maria Pedicini, PF Secretary, to [PF],
[Rome], 3 December 1822.

M. [This item deals with the Séminaire du Saint-
Esprit only]. B: 227r.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 926 (1821), ff. 225rv-227rv. French.

Jacques-M. Bertout, CSSp, Superior of the Séminaire du Saint-Esprit, to cdl. [?], Paris, 1 August 1822.

ALS. Lairret, "one of our students," left for Miquelon. [The balance of this item deals with Baltimore, Martinique, Ile-de-Bourbon, Cayenne, Gorée, Guadeloupe, England]. Re PF answer of 31 August 1822.

Dossier: SOCG 128-145.

Cross-references: Acta 58.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 424rv-425rv. Italian.

From [PF]. [Rome, 1823].

PF notes ("The following papers [SOCG 147-152] are here located temporarily, and some belong in this ponenza"). Bs: 424v-425rv.

Dossier: SOCG 146-152.

Cross-references: Acta 42-50.

Remarks: Some of the documents in this dossier were assembled for the CG of 21 May 1821 (see Acta 46), some were added later.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), f. 426rv. Latin.

John Murphy, bp. of Cork, to [John Thomas Troy, abp. of Dublin], Cork, [4] January 1821.

LS. The writer, requested [by the addressee] for his opinion on Lyons, a candidate for the coadjutorship of Burke, bp. of [Sion, resident in] Halifax, in Nova Scotia, recommends Lyons. The latter, 29, taught for three years in the Cork seminary and for three years was the confessor of the Ursulines of the writer's diocese. PF notes (Sommario, no. 4 [see Acta 46]).

Dossier: SOCG 146-152. Enclosed with SOCG 148.

Another C: item 4 of Acta 46.

Cross-references: Acta 42-50.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 427rv-428rv. Latin, Italian.

John Thomas Troy, abp. of Dublin, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Dublin, 18 January 1821.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the writer's letter of 2 [Dec. 1820], received on the same day Long returned to his country [from France]. Long is grateful to PF for his suggested appointment to the coadjutorship of Burke, vic.ap. in Nova Scotia [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 113], but refuses, being over 60 and not interested in episcopal dignities. Since Burke, in a letter to the writer, had selected Lyons, a Cork priest, to replace Long, the writer wrote to the bp. of Cork [Murphy], whose letter [of 4 Jan. 1821; see SOCG 147] is enclosed. [The balance of this item deals with Ireland, England]. PFS, notes (Sommario, no. 3 [see Acta 46]); Burke's coadjutorship will be dealt with in the CG [of 21 May 1821; see Acta 46]. Re PF answer of 24 Mar. 1821.

Dossier: SOCG 146-152. Enclosure: SOCG 147.

Another C: item 3 of Acta 46.

Cross-references: Acta 42-50.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), f. 429rv. Latin.

From Thomas Maguire, bp. of Tricomia, coadjutor of the vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, Saint-Michel-de-Bellechasse, 6 January 1821.

CS. The writer renounces the bishopric of Tricomia and the coadjutorship of the bp. of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia [Burke]. Certified and signed by Plessis, [a]bp. of Québec. PF notes (Sommario, no. 2 [see Acta 46]).

Dossier: SOCG 146-152. Enclosed with SOCG 150.

Another C: SOCG 168, item 2 of Acta 46.

Cross-references: Acta 42-50.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 430rv-431rv. Latin.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Québec, 8 January 1821.

LS. The writer reports that Burke, bp. of Sion, died in Halifax on 29 Nov. [1820], and that Carroll was appointed as administrator of the vicariate [ap.], until the vacancy is filled by the Holy See. The writer also informs that Maguire, the coadjutor that had been selected [in the CG of 7 Sept. 1819; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 42], refuses the appointment, as from the enclosed delcaration [of 6 Jan. 1821; see SOCG 149]. The writer also recalls his M of 17 Nov. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 94], that he had handed to the cdl.s of PF, dealing with the vicariate [ap. in Nova Scotia]. PF S, notes (Sommario, no. 1 [see Acta 46]. Re PF answer of 14 Apr. 1821. B: 431r.

Dossier: SOCG 146-152. Enclosure: SOCG 149.

Another C: SOCG 167, item 1 of Acta 46.

Cross-references: Acta 42-50.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 446rv-451rv. Italian.
John Augustine Hill, OP, to Benedetto Olivieri, OP,
Commissary of the Sacred Congregation of the Holy
Office, Convent of St. Rose, Kentucky, 27 January
1822.

Translation into Italian. The state of Michigan
borders on Canada. Its capital, Detroit, contains
some 350 Catholic families, and another 350 are at
120 miles from the town, two thirds of whom are
French-Canadians (the remaining one third are
English or Americans). Five thousand Indians live
on the St. Joseph river. They still remember the
preaching of the French Jesuits, and at Mackinaw
the famous Jesuit "Macquoit" is buried, worshipped
by 1,200 converted Indians. PF notes (10 June
1822). Bs: 450rv-451r.

Dossier: SOCG 146-152.

Cross-references: Acta 42-50.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 452rv-455rv. English, Italian.

Angus Bernard MacEachern, bp. of Rhosus, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Halifax, 9 November 1819.

ALS. A very long letter (his first to PF since his arrival in America [in 1790], with details on the writer's youth and activities in Prince Edward Island and eastern Canada, and suggestions for the future. His youth: his family's departure for Prince Edward Island (1772), Valladolid (from 1777), Scotland (from 1787), departure for Prince Edward Island (1790), dealings with John Macdonald and A. Macdonald. His activities in Prince Edward Island and eastern Canada: number of Catholics (Irish, English, 600-700 Scottish, 300 French, German, 60 Micmac) in various regions (Pictou, Cape St. George, Port Hood, Strait of Canso, Merigomish, Antigonish, Manchester, Pomquet, Tracadie, Havre-au-Boucher, Cheticamp, Malgrie, Salmon River, Bras d'Or Lake, Sydney, Lingan, Mainadieu, Louisbourg). The need for new priests: James McDonald was there from 1772 until his death (Apr. 1785), then short visits by two Irish priests, then two French Priests [de Calonne, Pichard] were there for some years [1799-1803] before being called back to

Canada; two boys from the Island were sent to the Québec Seminary (ca. 1812), at the cost of L 1,680, but one of the two left in May [1819]. Problems of language (French, English, Celtic, Indian), great cold and sufferings, his own visit to Burke (in 1814: Halifax, Mainadieu, Louisbourg, Arichat), good relationship with the English government. Suggestions for the future: the bp. of Québec [Plessis] cannot take care of Hudson Bay, Baie des Chaleurs, Bay of Fundy, where knowledgable vic.s [ap.] should be appointed instead; Cape Breton [Island], Prince Edward Island and Iles de la Madeleine should be placed under the writer's jurisdiction, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia under another vic. ap.; the importance of schools and seminaries (Burke's example). The writer was informed of his appointment as suffragan bp. for New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Iles de la Madeleine [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 39-41] in the summer [of 1819] while visiting McDonnell in [New Glengarry], Upper Canada. He will leave [Halifax] in three days to return home, where he lives in lot 38. Via New York, he is sending to the addressee some maps of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and Prince Edward Island, showing churches, Scottish and French settlemnts, Indian chapels. PF S, notes.

Dossier: SOCG 146-152. Translation into Italian:

Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, VI 82.

Cross-references: Acta 42-50.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 597rv-598rv. Latin.

From Pietro Capranao, apb. of Iconium, pF
Secretary, [Rome], 9 June 1823.

AMS. Decree of the CG of 9 June 1823. Re the
doubts submitted by the abp. of Québec, Plessis, [in
his letter of 15 Nov. 1822; see SOCG 155], PF
decided to answer according to the opinion of
Gardellini, consultor of PF [in Acta 67], and
ordered the writer to send an instruction
accordingly. Bs: 597v-598rv.

Dossier: SOCG 153, 155.

Cross-references: Acta 66-71.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 599rv, 604rv. Italian.

From PF, [Rome], 29 July 1823.

Cover page of SOCG 155. Bs: 599rv, 604rv.

Italian.

Dossier: SOCG 154-155.

Cross-references: Acta 66-71.

SOCG, vol. 929 (1823), ff. 600rv.-603rv. Latin.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to PF Prefect [recte Ercole Consalvi, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect], Québec 15 November 1822.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letters of 15 and 22 June [1822]. He deals with marriage dispensations (mentioning Madeleine's case), indulgences and coadjutorship in Montréal, confréries (re indult of 11 May 1806), mass (re indult of 29 May 1808, revoked in 1814), the forthcoming new ritual. Provencher, bp. of Juliopolis, was consecrated on 12 May [1822] and left for his mission [Red River] in early June [1822]. The bp.s of Rhesaina [McDonell] and Rhosus [MacEachern] administer their dioceses without problems. The bp. of Telmissus [Lartigue] asks that the district of Montréal be erected into a vicariate ap., yet such a decision would run counter to the agreement reached with the British government, which requires that the district of Montréal remain under the writer's jurisdiction. Re Nova Scotia, PF letter of 17 Feb. 1821 announced the appointment of a substitute [Lyons] for the late bp. of Sion, Burke, but nothing happened, and the province is still entrusted to a worthy but young administrator [Carroll]. In accordance with

Litta's letter of 16 Apr. 1816 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 42], the vicariate ap. [of Nova Scotia] should be separated from [the diocese of] Québec and entrusted to the bp. of Rhodus or to another prelate. The appointment of a vic. general could be a transitory measure. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 153, 155.

Cross-references: Acta 66-71.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 1rv-1rv. Latin.

From [PF], [Rome], 26 July 1824.

M. List of cdl.s who attended the CG of 26 July 1824. They were Pedicini, Fesch, Riario [Sforza], Castiglioni, Zurla, De Gregorio, with Caprano, abp. of Iconium [PF] Secretary, and Ugolini, protonotary apb.. Della Somaglia [not listed among the cdl.s] reported on Nova Scotia. [The balance of this item deals with the United States, Ireland, Albania, Scuttari]. Bs: 1v-2rv.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 38rv-53rv, 56rv.
Italian, Latin.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to [PF], [Rome], July 1824.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 26 July 1824],
dealing with Ireland, Scuttari, Nova Scotia, in 4
articles and 19 ##, followed by 6 questions.
Article III, ## 10-12 deal with Nova Scotia. In
1819, [recte on 21 Dec. 1818; see Codignola,
Calendar 1800-20, II 43], Burke, bp. of Sion vic.
ap. in Nova Scotia, asked Pius VII to appoint
Maguire as his coadjutor, which was done in the CG
of 7 Sept. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20,
II 42] and with the brief[s] of 1 [and 7] Oct. 1819
[see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20 IV 167-168]. Upon
Maguire's renunciation [of 6 Jan. 1821; see SOCG
149,168], Burke's letter of 19 Sept. 1820 [see SOCG
166] asked that Long be appointed, yet Long refused
to accept, as reported by Troy's letter of 18 Jan.
1821 [see SOCG 148]. Murphy's letter of 4 Jan.
1821 [see SOCG 147] praised Lyons, who was Burke's
second choice for his coadjutorship. At that
point, the abp. of Québec reported Burke's death
(29 Nov. 1820) in his letter of 8 Jan. 1821 [see
SOCG 150, 167]. The CG of 21 May 1821 [see Acta
46] discussed whether to appoint Lyons vic. ap. in

Nova Scotia, and on 14 Apr. 1821 PF wrote to Plessis accordingly. Three years have elapsed since, and, while the vicariate ap. is administered by Carroll, no answer from Plessis was received. It is now time to make a decision, also in view of the insistence of Scallan, bp. of Dragobitia, vic. ap. in Newfoundland, who was in Rome a few months ago. Lyons is not, however, the only candidate, another one being Fraser, ca. 45, a former teacher at the college of Lismore, in America since July 1822, recommended by R. McDonell [recte MacDonald], bp. of Arindela, vic. ap. in the Scottish Highlands [in his letter to Consalvi of 24 Dec. 1823; see SOCG 169], and by MacEachern, bp. of Rhosus, [suffragan and auxiliary bp.] in Prince Edward Island [mentioned in SOCG 169]. Doubt no. 3: Whether to appoint a vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, and whom to appoint. Bs: 38v, 56v.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169. Another C: Acta 72.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 54rv-55rv. Latin.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to [PF], [Rome], 26 July 1824.

R of the CG of 26 July 1824. [3] The Pope [Pius VII] is to be asked to appoint Lyons, of the diocese of Cork, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia. Certified by Castiglioni for della Somaglia. PF notes (briefs sent to all appointed [bp.s] on 4 Sept. 1824). [The balance of this item deals with Ireland, Scuttari].

Dossier: SOCG 156-169. Another C: Acta 73.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), f. 57rv. Italian.

From [PF], [26] July 1824. Italian.

PF notes. [The following documents are] the originals of the ponenza prepared by della Somaglia, Pro-Prefect, for [the CG of 26] July 1824. B: 57v.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 58rv-59rv. Italian.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to Pietro Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary,
[Rome], 9 May 1824.

LS. [This item deals with Ireland only]. Bs:
58v-59r.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 60rv, 63rv. Italian Edmund Burke, priest to James MacCormick, OFM Rec, Guardian of Collegio San Isidoro, Halifax, 14 May 1817.

Extract from a letter. The writer acknowledges Litta's letter [of 21 Dec. 1816; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 45], and the addressee's letter of 9 Feb. [1817], informing that the bp. of Québec [Plessis]'s letter had not reached Rome. The bp.'s letter must be dated after 14 Oct. [1816], because he mentioned it in a letter to the writer [of 14 and 20 Oct. 1816; see SOCG 163] in which he asked to be immediately informed on the arrival of the briefs [Plessis's letter to Litta is dated 15 Oct. 1816]. While they wait for the bp.'s letter, the cdl.s [of PF] could grant faculties to the writer. If, however, the bp.'s letter has gone astray, the writer will not be able to leave Halifax this year [and go to Québec]. He will gather information on the dispute between the abp. of Baltimore [Maréchal], Gallagher and Brown, possibly on his way to Québec via the United States. PF S [of SOCG 161, 163]. B: 63r.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169. Enclosure: SOCG 163.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 61rv-62rv. Italian.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Edmund Burke, priest, in Halifax, [Québec], 14 and 20 Oct. 1816.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 163. B: 62rv.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 64rv.-65rv. French.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, bp. of Québec, to Edmund Burke, priest, in Halifax, Québec, 14 and 20 October 1816.

ALS. The writer recalls his letter to the addressee of 10 Sept. [1816], to which extraordinary faculties were not attached (they will be sent from [the cdl.s of PF in] Rome [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 162-163], to whom he will write this week [Plessis's letter to Litta is dated 15 Oct. 1816]. [Litta, PF] Prefect, thought the addressee would bring priests [to Nova Scotia] from Europe, but none has arrived yet. The addressee is advised to ask Marum, bp. [of Ossory], to have seminarians sent to Nova Scotia from the seminary of Kilkenny, as suggested by Marum in a letter to the writer in the Spring [recte of 29 Feb. 1816]. If Canadian priests currently in Nova Scotia want to return home [to the ~~diocese~~ of Québec], they cannot be refused permission to do so. Sigogne and Mignault would probably remain [in Nova Scotia]. The writer can also employ [C.] Ffrench. The latter could not bear the climate of Miramichi and asked to be replaced, but, although permission to leave was granted and a substitute sent [Morisset], he is still in New Brunswick,

where he bought land. In a PS (dated 20 Oct.), the writer says that Connors [recte O'Connor] will most likely join the noviciate of the Hopital Général [of Québec]. B: 62rv.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169. Translation into Italian: SOCG 163. Enclosed with SOCG 161. PF S: in SOCG 161.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 66rv-67rv. Latin.

Edmund Burke, bp. elect of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, to Lorenzo Litta, cdl., PF Prefect, Halifax, 13 November 1817.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the ap. letters [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 162-163] and the addressee's letter of 26 July [1817; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, V 55]. For his consecration, the writer could go to Boston (a difficult and dangerous voyage) or to Québec (an impossible voyage). To travel through the United States is also not advisable, because the government does not like them [Catholic bp.s], so he will wait for a more propitious season. His problems are Protestant sects, penal laws, the lack of priests for the many emigrants from Ireland and Scotland, and the lack of teachers for the seminary, who are difficult to recruit in Europe. He heard good reports on MacEachern, for many years [since 1790] a missionary in Prince Edward Island.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 68rv-69rv. Latin.

[Edmund Burke, bp. elect of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia], to Lorenzo Litta, cdl., PF Prefect, [Halifax, 13 November 1817].

C. The writer asks that two [youngsters] of his province be admitted to the Collegio [Urbano] at no fee, in order to make Roman discipline in his jurisdiction prevail over the Gallican one. If this cannot be done, he asks to know the yearly fee for board and tuition. Re PF answer of 25 April 1818. Bs: 68v-69r.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169. Enclosed with SOCG 164.

Cross-references: SOCG 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 70rv-71rv. Latin, French.

Edmund Burke, bp. of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Halifax, 19 September 1820.

ALS. One year before [in his letter to Litta of 21 Dec. 1818; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 43] the writer asked the Holy See, via the bp. of Québec [Plessis], that Maguire, born in Halifax, fluent in French and English, be appointed as his coadjutor. The Holy See approved [in the CG of PF of 7 Sept. 1819; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 42], but Maguire wrote to the bp. of Québec that he refused to accept because he had not been previously informed. It now seems that the bp. of Québec's new candidate is his young and inexperienced vic. general [.....], who does not speak English. The writer favours Long, a student at the Irish seminary in Paris, for the position, on whom information can be obtained from [the abp. of] Dublin [Troy]. He asks that, in case of his death, the [abp. of] Dublin be consulted, not the [bp. of] Québec. A cathedral [St. Mary's] is being built in his province, there are ca. 100 young students in his seminary, and ca. 200 young girls in school. He currently has four Irish priests

(one disabled), one Scot, one French [Sigogne], one Canadian [Mignault], and two more [nationalities illegible]. PF S. Re PF letter to the abp. of Dublin of 2 Dec. 1820.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 72rv, 74rv. Latin.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, bp. of Québec, to Francesco Fontana, CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, Québec, 8 January 1821.

L. The writer reports that Burke, bp. of Sion, died in Halifax on 29 Nov. [1820], and that Carroll was appointed administrator of the vicariate [ap.] until the vacancy is filled by the Holy See. The writer also reports that Maguire, the coadjutor that had been selected [in the CG of 7 Sept. 1819; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 42], refuses the appointment, as from the enclosed declaration [of 6 Jan. 1821; see SOCG 168]. The writer also recalls his M of 17 Nov. 1819 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, IV 194], that he had handed to the cdl.s of PF, dealing with the vicariate [ap. in Nova Scotia]. Re PF answer of 14 Aug. 1821. B: 74r.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169. Enclosure: SOCG 168.

Another C: SOCG 150, item 1 of Acta 46.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 73rv. French.

From Thomas Maguire, bp. of Tricomia, coadjutor of the vic. ap. in Nova Scotia, Saint-Michel-de-Bellechase, 6 January 1821.

MS. The writer renounces the bishopric of Tricomia and the coadjutorship of the bp. of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova Scotia [Burke]. B: 73v.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169. Enclosed with SOCG 167.

Another C: SOCG 149, item 2 of Acta 46.

SOCG, vol. 933 (1824), ff. 75rv-76rv. Latin, Italian.

Reginald MacDonald, bp. of Arindela, vic. ap. in the Scottish Highlands, to Ercole Consalvi, cld., [formerly] PF Pro-Prefect, Limerick, 24 December 1823.

ALS. On the day before, the writer received a letter from MacEachern, bp. of Rhosus, [suffragan and auxiliary bp.] in Prince Edward Island, in the province of Nova Scotia, who asks him to recommend Fraser. [According to MacEachern], Fraser was a missionary [in Fort William] for some 10 years [1804-14], a former teacher at the Limerick college [recte the Killechiarain seminary on the island of Lismore], in America [Nova Scotia] since July 1822. He should replace Burke, [formerly] bp. [of Sion, in] Halifax. The writer reports that the candidate, ca. 40 and healthy, will be well received by the many Catholics who migrated there from his province. PF S. B: 76v.

Dossier: SOCG 156-169.

Cross-references: Acta 72-74.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 400rv-460rv. Italian,
Latin, French.

Carlo Maria Pedicini, cdl., PF member, to [PF],
[Rome], March 1825.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 28 Mar. 1825].
[This item deals with the United States only]. Bs:
400v, 406v.

Dossier: SOCG 170-179. Another C: Acta 79.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

Remarks: The balance of this dossier, dealing with
the United States only, has not been calendared on
account of its length.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 409rv-418rv. Italian, Latin, French.

[Carlo Maria Pedicini, cdl., PF member], to [PF], [Rome, March 1825].

PM. Documents attached to the ponenza [prepared for the CG of 28 Mar. 1825; see Acta 79]. Items III and IV are of interest for Canada. [III] Malou to PF, New York, 7 Dec. 1821 ([C.] Ffrench is mentioned); [IV] Malou to PF, [New York, after Nov. 1823] (Ffrench is mentioned). [The balance of this item deals with the United States only]. Bs: 417v-418rv.

Dossier: SOCG 170-179. Another C: Acta 80.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 438rv-439rv. French.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to Francesco Fontana,
CRSP, cdl., PF Prefect, New York, 12 October 1821.

ALS. This item deals with the writer's own past
life, and mentions [C.] French as the writer's
worst enemy. PF notes. B: 439r.

Dossier: SOCG 170-179.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 448rv-449rv. French.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to PF, [New York
1821/1822].

ALS. [but the last portion is not in Malou's
handwriting]. In a letter dealing with the United
States only, [C.] French is mentioned.

Dossier: SOCG 170-179.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 451rv-454rv. French, Latin.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [to Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, in Rome], New York, 21 December 1821.

ALS. C. On Easter day, [C.] Ffrench preached that the writer had forged the letters purportedly of the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis]. Ffrench and Connolly, bp. of New York, also maintain that Sulpicians and Canadian-American bp.s [i.e., bp.s of French origin in the United States] conspire to take away work from the Irish. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. PF notes (Sommario, no. 4). B: 454v.

Dossier: SOCG 170-179. Another C: SOCG 175.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 934 (18250, ff. 455rv-456rv. French, Latin.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore], in Rome], New York, 21 December 1821.

ALS. On Easter day, [C.] Ffrench preached that the writer had forged the letters purportedly of the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis]. Ffrench and Connolly, bp. of New York, also maintain that Sulpicians and the Canadian-American bp.s [i.e., bp.s of French origin in the United States] conspire to take away work from the Irish. [The balance of this item deals with the United States].

Dossier: SOCG 170-179. Another C: C 174.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 457rv-458rv. French.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to Mgr [?], New York, 2
May 1821.

ALS. In an item dealing with the United States,
[C.] French is mentioned.

Dossier: SOCG 170-179.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 459rv-460rv. French, English.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to [Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, in Rome], New York, 20 January 1822.

ALS. [C.] French is leaving, bound for Philadelphia or for Kentucky, although he pretends to be going to Québec. [The balance of this item deals with the United States].

Dossier: SOCG 170-179. Translation into Italian: SOCG 178.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

Remarks: Pagination: 460v, 460r, 459v, 459r.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 461rv-480rv. Italian.
Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ to [Ambrose Maréchal, PSS,
abp. of Baltimore, in Rome], New York, 22 January
1822.

Translation into Italian of SOCG 177. Certified by
Cicognani, 21 Feb. 1825.

Dossier: SOCG 170-179.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 565rv-566rv. French, Latin.

Pierre-Antoine Malou, SJ, to PF Prefect, New York, 14 February 1825.

ALS. The writer informs the addressee of the death (6 Feb. [1825]) of Connolly, [bp. of New York], who had deprived the writer of his spiritual powers on 2 Nov. 1821. Accusations against [C.] Ffrench are repeated. PF had asked the [a]bp. of Québec [Plessis] to pass [through New York] during his return journey [to Canada], in order to gather information on the dispute between Ffrench and the writer. The [a]bp. arrived [in New York in July 1820,], stayed 24 hours, and then proceeded to Québec. [In New York], the [a]bp. met with Count d'Espinville, French consul, and [T.] Stoughton, Spanish consul, both of whom are in favour of the writer. In order to avoid the matter being brought before a civil court, he decided to censure both Ffrench and the writer. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. MN (first copy, sent via Le Havre, 15 Feb. [1825]).

Dossier: SOCG 170-179.

Cross-references: Acta 79-80.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1825), f. 1rv-1rv. Latin.

From [PF], [Rome], 30 May 1825.

M. List of cdl.s who attended the CG of 30 May 1825. They were Pacca, Spina, Castiglioni, Fesch, De Gregorio, Bertazzoli, Pedicini, Rivarola, Riario Sforza, with Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, and Ugolini, protonotary ap.. PF notes (della Somaglia reported on Upper Canada). [The balance of this item deals with Tuam, Moldavia].
Bs: 1v-2rv.

Dossier: SOCG 180-188. Another C: Acta 81.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCC, vol. 935 (1825), ff. 3rv-11rv., 14rv-21rv.

Italian, Latin, French.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect,
to [PF], [Rome], May 1825.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 30 May 1825],
in 20 ##, followed by 4 questions to be answered by
PF, on the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada.
They are followed by archival notes and a Sommario.
The contents of this ponenza are said to be
confidential. The diocese of Québec, discovered by
Cartier in 1546 [recte in 1534], had its first bp.
in Laval (bp. of Petraea from 1657 [recte 1658-
1674], bp. of Québec from 1670 [recte 1674-1688]),
and has now (1819) 500,000 Catholic inhabitants, of
whom 200,000 in Lower Canada, and (in 1825) 150,000
in Upper Canada, of whom 50,000 are Catholic.
Burke was appointed bp. of Sion, vic. ap. in Nova
Scotia, in the CG of 19 Aug. 1817 [see Codignola,
Calendar 1800-20, II 33], replaced by Fraser in the
CG of 29 Nov. 1824 [see Acta 75]. The CG of 23
SEtp. 1817 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 35]
deferred a new subdivision of the diocese, yet
Plessis was appointed abp. in the CG of 23 Nov.
1818 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 39]. At
the same time, McDonell and MacEachern were
appointed vic.s general, suffragan and auxiliary

bp.s in Upper Canada, and in Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Iles de la Madeleine. When the [English] Secretary of State for [War and] the Colonies, Lord Bathurst, complained about Plessis's new title, the CG of 24 Jan. 1820 [see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 46] allowed him not to use it, at the same time appointing Lartigue and Provencher vic.s general, suffragan and auxiliary bp.s in Montréal and in the North, while Cape Breton [Island] was joined to MacEachern's jurisdiction. Later, the CG of 24 Feb. 1823 [see Acta 61], ruled out the erection of new bishoprics which had been suggested by Lartigue in 1821 and MacEachern [in his letter of 9 Nov. 1819; see SOCG 152], on account of the British government's opposition, although the latter was mainly aimed at the appointment of an abp.. In Mar. [1825] McDonell went to Rome to ask for the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada. Plessis's letter to Poynter of 29 Aug. 1824 [see Sommario, no. IV; and in SOCG 184] is transcribed, which shows that the government is not opposed to the erection of the new bishopric. Poynter, who had forwarded it to Gradwell, Rector of the English College in Rome and his own procurator, on 2 Nov. 1824, mentioned Stuart, the new Protestant bp. [of], and the fact that Bathurst, who knows that McDonell is "absolutely necessary to keep good order in Upper Canada," has disbursed in the past "large amounts

of money" to him and has recently paid all his back dues. To the Pro-Prefect [della Somaglia]'s letter of 27 Nov. [1824], Poynter answered on 21 Dec. [1824] (see Sommario, no. II [also SOCC 186]), repeating that Bathurst is not opposed to the erection of the new bishopric, but has asked the Governor [in-Chief of Canada, Dalhousie]'s opinion. When McDonell arrived in Rome, on 25 Mar. 1825 he was asked to state his case in writing. McDonell did so in his M [of Apr. 1825] (see Sommario, no. III [also SOCC 183], and showed Plessis's letter of 29 Aug. 1824 (see Sommario, no. IV [also in SOCC 184]). In his M, McDonell, who does not seem to be current in some British political affairs, describes births, emigration from Scotland and Ireland, conversions, revenues of the future bishopric, a seminary being built, seven churches (there were two [in 1804]), seven priests (one in 1804), one student in Québec, four or five students with the Sulpicians in Montréal. The new bishopric will establish its see in Kingston, and a slight change of borders will be necessary. According to the writer, Plessis's letters to Poynter of 29 Aug. 1824 and of 28 Oct. 1824 [see SOCC 185] show that he is in favour of the erection of a new bishopric, although it is unclear whether McDonell is his candidate for the position. The bp. fears that Upper Canada will experience the same difficulties as Nova Scotia, where, after Burke's appointment

[as vic. ap. in 1817], Canadian priests left, only a few second-rate European priests arrived, the Scots and the Irish were not provided for, the Acadian and Indian missions were abandoned, and the vacancy that followed Burke's death [in 1820] continues to this date. The four questions are [1] whether to erect the bishopric of Upper Canada and appoint McDonnell; [2] where to establish the see of the new bishopric; [3] whether to write to Poynter and to Plessis on the union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; [4] whether to assign any income to McDonnell. Archival notes [re Bulgaria, Serbia, Hungary, the United States]. The Sommario contains the following: [1] no. I, Poynter to PF [della Somaglia], [London], 21 Dec. 1824; [2]. no. II, Poynter to PF [della Somaglia], [London], 8 Feb. 1825; [3] no. III, McDonnell to PF, [Rome, Apr. 1825]; [4] no. IV, Plessis to McDonnell, Québec, 29 Aug. 1824. [In this item, the Ionian Islands, Naples, Hanover are also mentioned]. Bs: 3v, 11v, 14v, 21rv.

Dossier: SOCG 180-188. Another C: Acta 82.
Another C of item 1: SOCG 188, of item 2: SOCG 186; of item 3: SOCG 183; of item 4: SOCG 187.
Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol 935 (1825), ff. 12rv-13rv. Latin,
Italian.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cld., PF Pro-Prefect,
to [PF], [Rome], 30 May 1825.

R of the CG of 30 May 1825 [see Acta 82]: [1-2]
[The erection of the bishopric in Upper Canada is]
Deferred, and write to Poynter to consult with Lord
Bathurst, to verify the revenues of the new
bishopric, and Plessis's agreement; [4] [As to the
income to be assigned to the new bishopric] Refer
to [PF] Pro-Prefect [della Somaglia] and to the
[PF] Prefect of the Economy. Signed by the writer.
Bs: 12v-13rv.

Dossier: SOCG 180-188. Another C: Acta 83.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1825), ff. 22rv-29rv. Latin.

Alexander McDonell, bp. of Rhesaina, vic-general, suffragan and auxiliary bp. in Upper Canada, to PF, [Rome, April] 1825.

MS, entitled "De Religionis Statu In Superiore Canada Provincia Narratio Ab Alexandro Macdonell Rhaesin: Exarata et Sacrae Cong: de Propag: Fide Tradita Anno Domini 1825." It is subdivided into the following chapters: "Exordium", [2] "De hujus narrationis Scriptore", [3] "De terminis Sup: Canadae nec non de Religionis statu cum primo illuc scriptor advenit," [4] "De hodierno ejusdem Religionis statu in eadem provincia," [5] "De impedimentis quae Religioni obstant," with "Sacerdotum et templorum inopia," [6] Proposita facta erigendi Canadam Sup: et Brunswick cum nova Scotia in Episcopatus Diocesanos," followed by "Conclusio." PF notes. Bs: 22rv, 29r.

Dossier: SOCG 180-188. Another C: item 3 of Acta 82.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1825), ff. 30rv-334v. Italian, French.

Robert Gradwell, Rector of the English College, procurator in Rome of the vic. ap. in the London district, to Pietro Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, [Rome], 20 Nov. 1824.

Cs of two letters, in the writer's handwriting, signed by the writer. [1] Plessis to Poynter, [Québec], 29 Aug. 1824. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter of 14 June [1824], received two days before. The addressee is asked to inform Earl Bathurst that he is in favour of a bishopric in Upper Canada and even of another one in Montréal, whose district contains ten times as many Catholics. Difficulties might only come from Rome, not used to a system where there are many bp.s in the same country all depending from Rome, because one of them is usually appointed abp.. A Catholic abp. may also cause the English Court to promote the [Anglican] bp. [of Québec, Mountain] to the archiepiscopal dignity. [2] Poynter to Gradwell, [London], 2 Nov. 1824. Re Plessis's letter [of 29 Aug. 1824; see above], the writer warns that, although the English government uses Catholics for its political ends, it really aims at the ruin of Catholicism in all its colonies and dependencies,

as shown by the Ionian Islands and by the sending of Stuart as Protestant bp. in Upper Canada (who is a good friend of McDonnell's). Yet there seems to be no opposition to McDonnell's appointment, because Bathurst knows that McDonnell is "absolutely necessary to keep good order in Upper Canada, particularly among the Irish who are very numerous," and has disbursed in the past "large amounts of money" to him and has recently paid all his back dues. He will soon meet with Bathurst. Re PF letter to Poynter of 27 Nov. 1824. Bs: 32v-33r.

Dossier: SOCG 180-188.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1825), ff. 34rv-35rv. French.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the London district, Québec, 28 October 1824.

C. Re McDonnell's project to establish an independent bishopric in Upper Canada, the writer is deeply worried. He fears that Upper Canada will experience the same difficulties as Nova Scotia, where, after Burke's appointment [as vic. ap.] in 1817, only a few second-rate European priests arrived, the Scots and the Irish were not provided for, the Acadian and Indian missions were abandoned, and the vacancy that followed Burke's death in 1820 continues to this date. There being no seminary in Upper Canada, the new bp. will employ "vagabond ecclesiastics" discarded by their bp.s, while Canadian priests will return to Lower Canada as they prefer to be under the [a]bp. of Québec than under "a foreigner". The English government's opposition prevents the only real solution, namely, the erection of an archbishopric [in Québec]. PF notes (from Gradwell to Caprano).

Dossier: SOCG 180-188.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1825), ff. 36rv-37rv. Latin, Italian.

William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the London district, to Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cld., PF Pro-Prefect, London, 8 February 1825.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letters of 27 Nov. 1824 and of 8 and 15 Jan. 1825. He met with Lord Bathurst and discussed the erections of bishoprics in Upper Canada and Montréal, to neither of which the minister [for War and the Colonies] was opposed. After consulting with the Governor [in-Chief] of [Lower] Canada, [Dalhousie], currently in England, Bathurst stated, in his letter of 19 Jan. [1825], that he is in favour of McDonnell's appointment as bp. in Upper Canada, but for the time being cannot accept Lartigue being appointed bp. of Montréal. [The balance of this item deals with Trinidad, Madras].
Re PF answer of 12 Mar. 1825.

Dossier: SOCG 180-188. Another C: item 2 of Acta 82.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1825), ff. 38rv-39rv. Italian.

[Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec], to
[Alexander McDonnell, bp. of Rhesaina, vic. general,
suffragan and auxiliary bp. in Upper Canada],
Québec, 29 August 1824.

Translation into Italian [in Caprano's
handwriting]. The writer is not opposed to the
addressee's and Lartigue's appointment as full bp.s
in their districts [Upper Canada, Montréal], yet
this runs counter Rome's precedents, that is, to
make bishoprics [in one country] under the
jurisdiction of an archbishopric. He has written
to Poynter [on 29 Aug. 1824; see item 1 of SOCG
184], who is more current in English political
affairs, to act on his behalf with Rome. The
writer has always been a strong supporter of the
English government, as shown by his attitude in the
American War [of 1812] and by his two petitions
against the union of the provinces [Union Bill],
one signed with the citizens [of Lower Canada], the
other with the Legislative Council [of Lower
Canada]. The real danger is to show an excess of
power and influence on the part of the clergy, as
shown in the letter of an alleged member of
Parliament to the Earl of Liverpool [Jenkinson] (a
C of this is in Poynter's hands). Greetings to

Clifford. PF notes (original given to Gradwell, 9
July 1825).

Dossier: SOCG 180-188. Another C: item 4 of Acta
82.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol. 935 (1825), ff. 40rv-41rv. Latin.

William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the London district, to Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, London, 21 December 1824.

ALS. The writer met with Lord Bathurst and discussed the addressee's letter [to the writer] of 27 Nov. [1824], dealing with the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada. As far as the erection of a bishopric in Montréal is concerned, Bathurst wrote to Dalhousie, Governor-in-Chief of [Lower] Canada, currently in England. According to Bathurst, McDonell, bp. of Rhesaina, is going to Rome to explain his point of view. [The balance of this item deals with Trinidad]. Re PF answer of 15 Jan. 1825. B: 41r.

Dossier: SOCG 180-188. Another C: item 1 of Acta 82.

Cross-references: Acta 81-83.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 329rv-334rv, 337rv-343rv. Italian, Latin, French.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, to [PF], [Rome], December 1825.

PM. Ponenza [prepared for the CG of 20 Dec. 1825], in 7 ##, followed by 3 questions to be answered by PF, on the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada, followed by a Sommario. The writer recalls the CG of 30 May 1825 [see Acta 82], and the letters written to Poynter (two letters [nos. 143-144], one of which [no. 144] was meant to be shown to Lord Bathurst), Maréchal, Plessis, of 9 July 1825. Before answers to the said letters were received, other documents were acquired, showing that Plessis is not opposed to the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada, but has doubts on McDonnell's revenues and fears the vacancy that would follow the latter's death; that Poynter fears the dangers of episcopal vacancies, with particular regard to Panet and the Montréal disorders that followed Lartigue's appointment as vic. general, suffragan and auxiliary bp. [in the CG of 24 Jan. 1820; see Codignola, Calendar 1800-20, II 46], although he is in favour of a settlement whatsoever in the affair; that Bathurst also favours a settlement; that McDonnell asks that Weld be appointed his coadjutor.

Reference is made to the following letters: Poynter to Caprano, [London], 24 June [1825; see item 1 of SOCG 193]; Plessis to Poynter, [Québec], 25 Mar. 1825 (Sommario, no. 1) [see item 2 of SOCG 193]; Plessis to Poynter, [Québec], 29 Aug. 1824 [see item 1 of SOCG 184]; Plessis to Poynter of 28 Octo. 1824 [see SOCG 185]; Poynter to Gradwell, [London], 26 July [1825] (Sommario, no. 2) [see SOCG 192]. The answers of Poynter, Maréchal and Plessis were subsequently received. In his letter of 9 Aug. 1823 [recte 1825; see SOCG 194], Poynter argued that it was important to profit from Bathurst's good disposition towards Catholics, although the erection of the new bishopric has some disadvantages. Reference is made to the following letters: McDonell to Poynter, London [before 9 Aug. 1825] (Sommario, no. 3 [recte 41]) [see SOCG 195]; Poynter to Gradwell, [London], 6 Oct. 1825 (Sommario, no. 5) [see SOCG 197]. In his letter of 28 Sept. [1825] (Sommario, no. 6) [see SOCG 198], Maréchal is in favour of McDonell's appointment as vic. ap. in Upper Canada, where Catholics are 30,000 and growing daily on account of Irish and Scottish immigration and the Sulpicians are likely to establish a seminary. Furthermore, Bathurst promised McDonell a pension and land. In his letter of 4 Oct. 1825 (Sommario, no. 7) [see SOCG 199], Plessis is in favour of McDonell's appointment, considering his person, his revenues,

and the attitude of the British government. He also favours Kingston as the see of the new bishopric, whereas York will be the see of the Anglican bp.. Reference is made to Plessis's letter [to Caprano or della Somaglia] of 15 Apr. 1825. The questions to be answered by PF are the following: [1] whether to erect a bishopric in Upper Canada and appoint McDonell; [2] what are to be the borders of the new bishopric, and whether they should include New Longville, Hinchbrook, Godmanchester, and the Indian village of St. Regis; [3] whether to appoint Weld as coadjutor, or to write to Poynter for suggestions. The Sommario contains the following items: [1] Poynter to Caprano, London, 24 June 1825, attaching Plessis to Poynter, Québec, 25 Mar. 1825; [2] Poynter to Gradwell, English College, 23 Aug. 1825 [recte London, 26 July 1825]; [3] Poynter to [della Somaglia], London, 9 Aug. 1825; [4] McDonell to Poynter, [London, before 9 Aug. 1825]; [5] Poynter to Gradwell, English College, 1 Dec. 1825 [recte London, 2 Sept. 1825]; [6] Maréchal to [della Somaglia], Baltimore, 28 Sept. 1825; [7] Plessis to [della Somaglia], Québec, 4 Oct. 1825. [The balance of this item deals with Trinidad, Haiti].

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Another C: Acta 84.

Another C of item 1: SOCG 193; of item 2: SOCG 192; of item 3: SOCG 194; of item 4: SOCG 195; of item 5: SOCG 197; of item 6: SOCG 198; of item 7: SOCG 199.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 335rv-336rv. Latin, Italian.

Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, to [PF], [Rome], 20 December 1825.

C. R of the CG of 20 Dec. 1825. [1] [On the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada and McDonnell's appointment]. Approved, and [PF] Secretary [Caprano] will take the matter before the Pope [Leo XII]; write to Plessis, Poynter; McDonnell must be certain of his revenues. [2] The see of the new bishopric of Upper Canada is to be in Kingston; the inclusion of New Langville, Hinchbrook, Godmanchester and the Indian village of St. Regis, the decision is deferred. [3] Write to Poynter to report on Weld, before a coadjutor is appointed. PF notes (report to the Pope [see Acta 86]). Bs: 615v-615[a]rv.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Another C: Acta 85.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 344rv-345rv. Italian.
Pietro Caprano, abp. of Iconium, PF Secretary, to
Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cld., PF Pro-Prefect,
[Rome], 9 December 1825.

LS. The writer forwards to the addressee the
ponenza to be discussed in the CG of 19 [recte 20]
Dec. [1825; see Acta 84]. The addressee will
report on Upper Canada. Bs: 344v-345rv.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 346rv-347rv. Italian, Latin.

William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the London district, to Robert Gradwell, Rector of the English College, procurator in Rome of the vic. ap. in the London district, [London], 26 July 1825.

Translation into Italian [in Gradwell's handwriting]. Two days before [24 July 1825], the writer met with Lord Bathurst, who is grateful for the Pope [Leo XII]'s thanks delivered at the audience granted to Lord Apsley [in Rome]. The writer hopes that Plessis's letter [to Poynter, of 25 Mar. 1825; see item 2 of SOCG 193], attached to his own letter of 24 June [1825; see item 1 of SOCG 193], proves sufficient, because substance is what counts, and formalities usually respected in Catholic countries must be passed over. McDonell, who spent two weeks [in London] waiting for the completion of his appointment, wishes Weld, a good subject, to become his coadjutor. Since Panet is weak and old, if Plessis died, the party opposing him and Lartigue could profit from the confusion. [The balance of this item deals with Trinidad]. Signed by Gradwell, [Rome], 23 Aug. 1823.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Another C: item 2 of Acta
84.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 348rv-349rv. Latin, French, Italian.

William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the London district, to Pietro Caprano, apb. of Iconium, to PF Secretary, London, 24 June 1825.

[1] ALS. The writer received on that day a letter from Gradwelll, informing that PF wishes to receive information on Plessis's opinion on the state of ecclesiastical affairs in Canada before a decision is made re the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada and McDonnell's appointment. He attaches the most recent letter received from Plessis. [2] C [in Poynter's handwriting] Plessis to Poynter, Québec, 25 Mar. 1825. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letters of 20 Dec. [1824] and 24 Jan. [1825], the latter destroying the hopes raised in the former re the erection of a bishopric in Montréal, a district where there already is a seminary and more Catholics than in Upper Canada. While he rejoices at the subdivision of his diocese, he believes McDonnell is "somewhat blinded" by his desired to be a bp., forgetting that the [English] government will not allow Jesuits into Upper Canada and will select McDonnell's successor in case of his death. On 8 Jan. [1825] della Somaglia wrote to him that Bedard's M [ca. Sept.

1824] is lost. Gradwell, is currently in England, and the writer fears the presence in Rome of O'Sullivan, a trusted man of the Montréal seminary, who could damage the bp. of Telmissus [Lartigue]'s cause. The latter still lives with the Sulpicians of Montréal, but continues to be arrogant, although the diocese [of Québec] experiences no problems after the writer's prohibition to answer Chaboillez's second M [ca. Feb. 1824]. Re Poynter's letters to Plessis of 20 Dec. [1824] and 14 June [1825]; Plessis's letters to Poynter of 28 Oct. [1824; see SOCG 185] and 29 Aug. [1824; see item 1 of SOCG 184]. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Another C: item 1 of Acta 84.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 934 (1825), ff. 350rv-351rv. Latin, Italian.

William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the London district, to Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, London, 9 August 1825.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the writer's letters of 9 July [1825], nos. 143-144, the former (no. 143) confidential, the latter (no. 144) to be shown to Bathurst. As to the opinion of the abp. of Québec [Plessis], reference is made to the abp.'s letters of 25 Mar. (attached to the addressee's own of 24 June [see SOCG 193]), and of 9 July [1825]. Since McDonell is currently in London, the writer asked him how he intends to support his new bishopric [in Upper Canada]; McDonell's answer is enclosed [see SOCG 195]. The writer believes the new bishopric to be very important to counter the influence of the new Protestant bp. [Stewart] bp. of Québec] recently [1825] appointed, although his successors might be used by the government for its own ends. PF notes.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Another C: item 3 of Acta

84. Enclosure: SOCG 195.

Cross-reference: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 353rv-353rv. English.
Alexander McDonnell, bp. of Rhesaina, vic. general,
suffragan and auxiliary bp. in Upper Canada, to
William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. ap. in the
London district, [London, before 9 August 1825].

ALS. The writer describes his revenues, so that
the addressee can forward the information to PF
Secretary [Caprano]. The ca. L700 he had when he
arrived in Canada [in 18..] he invested in land,
and 20 years later, "by a judicious selection of
advantagious situations, good management & rigid
economy," they became "a respectable property," to
which 2,400 acres of land were added by the British
government. He also hs two large farms (let to
tenants for a yearly return of half of the produce
of land and livestock), other farms (let for small
yearly rent), two mills (let for half the
proceeds). The above properties returned every
year 1,000-1,200 bushels of grain, besides milk,
butter, cheese, beef, mutton, pork, enough to
maintain 20-30 students and teachers. In Kingston,
the writer owns land and a house that can yield L
3,000 a year in rent, and just before he left
Canada [in 18..] he sold two acres of that property
for L 1,400. As the value of property in Kingston
is increasing, the value of his property is

increasing too. Furthermore, tythes from Glengarry County for the year he left Canada enabled the writer to maintain his family, the seminary, and to sell 1,300 bushels of wheat, 800 bushels of oats, 400 bushels of peas, 200 bushels of Indian corn. As to the clergy, to the one priest he had left in Canada [.....] he added two more [.....], three seminarians just completed their third year, and three more will return with him from Europe. Rome delays, however, could jeopardize the success of the whole enterprise. The British government will not pay to a vic. general the L 400 per annum promised to a bp. in Upper Canada, and his properties will be inherited by his family. Furthermore, Lord Bathurst's "kind disposition" will be offended by an "impolite" attitude on the part of the Holy See.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Translation into Italian: SOCG 196. Another C: item 4 of Acta 84. Enclosed with SOCG 194.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936(1825), ff. 354rv-355rv. Italian.

Alexander McDonell, bp. of Rhesaina, vic. general,
suffragan and auxiliary bp. in Upper Canada, to
William Poynter, bp. of Alia, vic. general in the
London district, [London, before 9 Aug. 1825].

Translation into Italian of SOCG 195.

Dossier: SOCG 198-199

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 356rv-357rv. Italian Robert Gradwell, Rector of the English College, procurator in Rome of the vic. ap. in the London district, to Pietro Caprano, apb. of Iconium, PF Secretary, [Rome], 1 December 1825.

Cs [in Gradwell's handwriting]. [1] Poynter to Gradwell, [London], 2 Sept. 1825. With reference to the letter detailing McDonnell's revenues [see SOCG 195], the writer strongly suggests the immediate appointment of coadjutors, the only way to counter the efforts of the very active Methodists [i.e., Anglicans]. [2] Poynter to Gradwell, [London], 6 Oct. 1825. McDonnell's appointment must be hurried through, because, were Lord Bathurst to be removed [as Secretary of State for War and the Colonies], the whole project might be stopped. [The balance of this item deals with Haiti].

Dossier: SOCG 189-199.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 358rv-359rv. Latin, Italian.

Ambrose Maréchal, PSS, abp. of Baltimore, to Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, Baltimore, 28 Sept. 1825.

ALS. The writer acknowledges the addressee's letter of 9 July [1825]. He gives his reasons for supporting McDonald [recte McDonell]'s petition. Upper Canada is so large that it cannot be entrusted to a simple vic. general, also on account of its 30,000 Catholics, increasing annually on account of the many Irish and Scottish immigrants. Furthermore, while Lower Canada has only French-speaking inhabitants and a French canon law, the opposite (English) is true in Upper Canada, a fact that makes the bp. of Telmissus [Lartigue]'s position an anomalous one. Were McDonell to be appointed, the Sulpicians promised the erection of a seminary in Upper Canada. Also, although his reasons are not known to the writer, Lord Bathurst is known to want an immediate dependence on the Holy See for McDonell. [The balance of this item deals with the United States]. PF S.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Another C: item 6 of Acta
84.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.

SOCG, vol. 936 (1825), ff. 360rv-361rv. Latin, Italian.

Joseph-Octave Plessis, abp. of Québec, to Giulio Maria della Somaglia, cdl., PF Pro-Prefect, Québec, 4 October 1825.

LS. The writer acknowledges the writer's letter of 9 July [1825]. He is in favour of the erection of a bishopric in Upper Canada with its see in Kingston (the Protestant see will be in York), of McDonnell's appointment, and of the immediate appointment of a coadjutor. He hopes that schools will be established to provide new priests, of whom there are currently eight in the territory (three Irish, three Scottish, two Canadian). He is also worried by the nature and the amount of the revenues of the future bp., who has requested a subsidy from the [English] government, with no apparent success to date. PF S.

Dossier: SOCG 189-199. Another C: item 7 of Acta 84.

Cross-references: Acta 84-87.