

the four pupils in dispute, thus acknowledging the justice of my claim. But this tardy justice in no way exonerates your Lordship—as you very illogically thought it would—as your unlawful refusal in the first place caused the act of which you complain. Your Rev. Principal, of the H. L. College, writes to you about this matter, “purely out of consideration for the interests of the institution whose reputation must naturally suffer in the eyes of the public,” &c., precisely so, your Colleges will suffer in the eyes of that public of whom you are so nervously afraid; but you, my Lord, care not whether my reputation shall suffer in their eyes by you discussing, as you did at the Hellmuth College council, the contents of the Rev. H. F. Darnell’s mendacious letter, and not stating honestly, as you in justice should have done, that it was your own arbitrary refusal to pay the fees of the four pupils which caused the very act of which you so virtuously complain. You thus libellously disseminate, through the members of that council, an unjust and most iniquitous aspersion both of my professional and moral character, and which I am determined to remove.

As you, my Lord, have thought proper to wantonly and deliberately attack my character after my connection with your Colleges had entirely ceased, I will now proceed to take the same liberty with your Lordship. You have not thought it beneath your dignity to employ certain of your clergy to canvas for pupils for your Colleges, both in this country and the neighboring States, allowing a commission for every pupil procured; thus converting the Church into an engine of commercial speculation, and rivalling the actions of the money changers of old. How can you expect, my Lord, to obtain by such means a respectable, refined and moral class of pupils? And consequently you have had smokers, billiard players, drunkards and thieves admitted to Hellmuth College, and retained after discovery, to set an instructive example to the young and impressionable to go and do likewise. To such a glaring extent did this proceed that I removed my young son from the institution more than a year ago, sooner than subject him to such contaminating influences; if *your* school is to become a juvenile reformatory the sooner you inform the public the better, and then it will be filled to overflowing by the expelled pupils from other Colleges, provided your charges for admission are not too high. I openly challenge