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" Dieu Seul"

My dear Lord Bishop, [Grant]

I have just heard of the death of my eldest son of yellow fever. The tidings of are doubly sad to me as I know he had not been to confession for two years or more & I have <u>only</u> a hope that a Priest may have been called in by his Catholic uncle. Of your charity remember his soul in the hope of God's mercy and of the poor boy's natural irresponsibility of character.

I told Mr Bagshawe that I should write to yr Lordship this evening to express my sorrow that you remove him. I should judge him to be peculiarly suited to the Mission and to our Community notwithstanding his age.

Humbly begging your Lordship's blessing and prayers

I am very respectfully yrs in JC

C.Connelly.

All Souls

St. Leonards

Oct. 13th