

plots of the secessionists in that
Territory. Without it, he would
have more difficulty in gaining
confidence among the inhabitants.
Can you oblige me by sending
such a letter to him at St
Louis?

Very truly yours

Wm. H. Sewall

The Most Reverend
John Hughes
Archbishop of New York

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My dear Archbishop, Mr W. G.

Coffin is the newly appointed Superintendent of Indian Affairs in the Southern Superintendency. He desires a letter from you introducing him to the Catholic clergy of the Indian Territory, or some one of them, or to those of St. Louis. With such a letter he thinks he could work effectively against the

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