

Fernando y Mexico

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My dear Bishop:

Thank you for yours of the 13th inst. The work in the Virgin Islands has given me a great deal of concern & trouble this summer and it is not yet provided for. Am glad Dr. Gray is going to help with the pump. He is very good to us! Has the old pump gone bad? It was working well before I came up.

I did not intend cutting down anything in the appropriation for Quebrada Limon. I spoke of the cutting down the appropriation for Port Antonio as a whole, simply as an argument for my fear that they would not allow us any increases this year. I have asked for one teacher in 1925, perhaps

if we could have the one we could make a beginning of the school. I have a plan for reducing our appropriation which will not seriously cripple any of the present work. If this is adopted you will be needed more than ever in P.R.

Am glad to hear of Primitivo's report of the hermandad. Things of this kind are most helpful.

I heard about poor amparo. It is very distressing. Am so sorry I told her in the spring that she could not go to the training school at San Juan. It would have been evident now without my saying so, but it did not seem right to take her when in such poor health. I can only

suppose that miss Lovett is paying the
\$8.00 per month ³ out of her own
salary.

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I wrote to Broote about Ramon and
he says he would prefer to wait
till I go back before deciding to do
anything about it. It would be good
to get Ramon back into the work by
having him assist Hermenegildo
but the trouble would be in his living
quarters and expenses. You dont want
Dove sure to get him and his
family established at Q. Limon
living on you. If he is living in Dove
and working there, couldnt he help
Modesto with the services getting the
training there and support himself
as he is doing at present?

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as far as Doxate is concerned
we must leave the matter for the
present.

I am going up to the Adirondacs
on a trip for the next week to visit Harry
in his camp. Hope to get over to
see you in the first part of September.

As to Mexico. I did not know that
you were serious about that. I
must return to P.R. in Sept. on account
of the family and feel that I must
attend the Synod in November.
This makes it impossible for me
to be at the meeting of the Bishops in
October. Be sure to ask Bishop
Gailor to present you formally to the

Presiding Bishop, wout you? I will
be glad to have ^{5.} your name
presented for Mexico, but cannot
agree to your statement that you
are not needed in P.R. Am
afraid we would make many
sorry mistakes in Q. Limon if
you were not there to direct it.

I dont know anything about Mexico
but imagine that country will
require a great deal of physical
endurance. I want to do anything
possible for your convenience and
well being but cannot but express
the hope that you will not leave
Puerto Rico. I speak personally and
for our District. Am going to write

however, as is customary, to the
Secretary and propose your
name for Mexico.

With love and best wishes to all
the family in which Mrs Colver
joins me, I am,

Very sincerely & affectionately
+ Chas B. Colver.