

Albany May 19th 1843.

My dear Sir,

Our talented generous and efficient friend
Thucloa Weed Esq. Editor of the Evening Journal em-
barks on the 27th. of June next for England intending to
visit Rome and Ireland.

I venture to ask what his modesty will not per-
mit him to solicit personally, that you give him
letters to both those countries which will afford him
a presentation to His Holiness and an introduction
to the great civilian of Ireland G. Connell. I even ven-
ture to ask further that his generous bearing in favor
of the religious liberty of your people may be mentioned
in his behalf, not for any objects of his own or Europe
but that he may be able the better to contend on his
return with the illiberality too prevalent among
our own countrymen.

Should you feel at liberty to furnish him letters
please send them to him at Albany. Should it be
otherwise I will communicate to him any explanation
you may desire to make.

So my dear Sir you too are preparing for a
flight across the Atlantic. I wish it were in my power
to join two such respected and beloved friends in a visit
to the Eternal City, and so I should save it not for
"the bonds" which have fastened among me day too long
an abstraction from domestic and personal duties.
I notice your request for the prayers of the faithful

Seward

during your absence. Hoping that among even the People
of your charge no one will cherish you in more affectionate
remembrance than I shall or will more sincerely desire
your early and joyous return. You have begun a great
work in the elevation of the rejected emigrant, a work
auspicious to the destiny of that class and still more
beneficial to our common country. I lament even your
temporary removal from the field when you have in
hand so glorious an enterprise.

If I can be at all useful to you during your
absence please leave me your wishes, and even call
upon me from your journeying in whatever land you
may be.

I remain most respectfully
and faithfully
Your friend and attendant

William W. Seward.

The Right Rev
Bishop Hughes.

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