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Papworth Everard,
Cambs.

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My Lord Bishop :

Church of St. Francis of Assisi,
Papworth Everard.

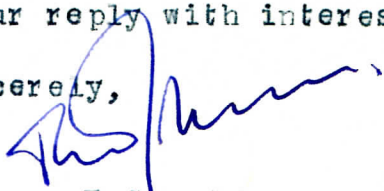
I have at last been able to obtain a price for a simple lean-to extension at the rear of St. Francis' Church, of the same size as the present sacristy and offices, and containing the same accommodation. It is as follows :

To revise drainage, dismantle boiler and H.W. system, erect a timber structure approx. 19'0" x 9' x 8' to eaves, covered externally with metal lath and roughcast, internally with hardboard, distempered, with flat roof covered $\frac{3}{4}$ " matching and three layers of ruberoid, with hardboard ceiling. Extension to include confessionals, vestment room, cloakroom and W.C. Included in price is cost of dismantling and re-erection of altar and dismantling of altar side screens. Decorated throughout and electric lighting to rooms in new extension. For the sum of £401. 18s. 0d. nett.

I have not obtained detailed drawings but I can get these quite easily if the price is not considered to be too high. Personally, whilst this is no doubt a fair price for the work entailed, it seems to me that we shall be little better off if it is done, as it will only give us about nine more feet of seating accommodation - about 30 people - i.e. the room now taken up by the sanctuary, and it is really only nibbling at the problem.

I shall await your reply with interest,
and remain, My Lord,

Yours sincerely,



The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Northampton, T.C.M. Johnson,
Northampton.

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