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San Francisco Cal. Nov. 19. 1873.

Very Rev. Dear Sir,

Rev. Father Lecomte, Catholic Missionary in the Russian-American possession, is in great want of many articles, among others, of some wine for the holy sacrifice of the Mass, and begs me to send him some. His Bishop, Monseigneur Isidore Chartier, joins in the request. But it appears that no wine can be landed in Alaska without special permission from the War Department (or some other) in Washington.

Therefore I must request you to have the charity to obtain the necessary permission to land in Alaska for said Priest some twelve or twenty gallons of wine, and by sending said license to me you will confer on me all a great favor.

Yours truly in Christ
+ J. S. Alemany, Bp of S. Franco.

Very Rev. J. B. A. Brannan, Vic. Gen. &c.

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Alaska St. Michaels

1873

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Therefore I must request you to have the charity to obtain the necessary permission to land in Alaska for said Priest some twelve or twenty gallons of wine, and by sending said license to me you will confer on us all a great favor.

Alemany, J. S. to Very Rev. J. B. A. Brouillet, San Francisco, Calif. 11/19/1873.
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Washington, D.C.

December 19, 1873.

[DEC. 19, 1873]

Gen. W. H. Belknap

Secretary of War.

Sir:

I am informed by the Most
Rev. J. B. Henratty, Archbishop of San Francisco,
that the missionary priests in Alaska
are not allowed to take into that territory
the wine that is necessary in the celebration
of Mass.

The Archbishop requests me to ask you to
grant to the Rev. Fr. Le Corre, of Alaska, permis-
sion to import the wine that is needed for
sacramental purposes.

I am, Sir, Very Respectfully

Yours truly,
A. C. ...

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1873

Alaska, St. Michaels

The following letter was not sent. Another was composed

I am informed by the Most Rev. J. S. Allemany, Archbishop of San Francisco, that the missionary priests in Alaska are not allowed to take into that territory many articles that are used in the performance of their priestly functions, and particularly the wine that is necessary in the celebration of Mass.

The Archbishop requests me to ask you to grant to the Rt. Rev. Isadore Chut, Bishop of Alaska, permission to import from San Francisco the wine and other articles that are needed for the administration of the various sacraments of the Catholic Church by his priests throughout Alaska.

Ewing, Charles, Washington, D.C. to W. W. Belknap, Secy. of War. 12/19/1873
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Washington, D.C.

December 27th 1873.

[DEC. 27, 1873]

Most Rev. J. A. Henratty

Archbishop of San Francisco.

Most Reverend Sir:

Your letter to the
Very Rev. Father C. J. Millet, relative to the
introduction of wine into the Territory
of Alaska for the use of the Missionary
Priests, was received by him on his return
from Canada on the 10 inst. & handed to me.

I at once addressed a letter to the
Secretary of War, (a copy of which is en-
closed herewith) making the request you
named, and handed it to him in person.

I also a full explanation of the nature
of the request, and the manner in which

the wine would be used, the Secretary sent my letter to the General Commanding at San Francisco, (General Schofield) with instructions to allow the importation of wine into Alaska for the purpose named in my letter.

If you will drop a note to General Schofield, he will advise you of the ^[mode in which] mode in which wine may be sent to the priests who apply to you.

I am, with great respect,

Your obedient servant,

Martha Ewing

Cath. Comr.

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1873 ALASKA. ST. MICHAEL

Your letter to the Very Rev. Father Brouillet, relative to the introduction of wine into the Territory of Alaska for the use of the Missionary Priests, was received by him on his return from Canada on the 18 inst. and handed to me.

I at once addressed a letter to the Secretary of War, (a copy of which is enclosed herewith) making the request you named, and handed it to him in person.

After a full explanation of the nature of the request, and the manner in which the wine would be used, the Secretary sent my letter to the General Commanding at San Francisco, (General Schofield) with instructions to allow the importation of wine into Alaska for the purpose named in my letter.

If you will drop a note to General Schofield, he will advise you of the mode in which wine may be sent to the priests who apply to you.

Ewing, Charles, Cath. Com. to Alemany, J. S. Archbishop of San Francisco, 12/27/1873.

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