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Letter to Salmon P. Chase

Charles Pettit McIlvaine

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Mr Chace

My dear friend -

You will confer a favor
on me & do a great kindness to a
very worthy gentleman in whom I
am much interested, if, when the
Collector of Taxes, under the Gov^t ^{in New York} shall
be appointed, you will kindly lay
before him the name of Eben^d Harri-
son Esq - residing in Brooklyn, Cumber-
land St. No 240 - as a person who
is, in all respects, most worthy of
any trust in that line of work,
& so needy, with a large family
now destitute & well sustained
by friends of mine, that he would

be most thankful for employment.
He is a gentleman of education
& the highest integrity; of devotion to
his business when he has any - & of
most acceptable manners. He
had an honorable place in the
N. Y. Custom House, under the
late administration, which he re-
-tained not because of any political
zeal, but because he married
into a Pennsylvania family of
importance which had influence -
under that administration.

I have a consideration, in
his favor, additional to that of
his merit, which is that he
has near relatives in England,
persons of position & influence, deeply
interested in his welfare - & who

received me most kindly
in my late mission to England
in behalf of the County - I did
all they could in furtherance of
my object - I do earnestly hope
something may be done for him.
Yours affectionately
Chas. P. McSwaine

I beg to refer the collector to
my brother in N. Y. - B. R. McSwaine
Esq. - (house 18) - Second Avenue -
Office - N. Y. - Ingersoll & Co.
(Well St.) for all information
as to Mr. Harmon.

62-07-32

Bishop M^c Ivaine

Minerale, July, 1882.

Asst appt. of Edw Harrison
for toll. Taxes at Brooklyn