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Letter to C.P. McIlvaine

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4 Harley St. W.
Dec. 6, 1858

My dear Bishop:

We are sorry to say that Wednesday will not suit. The Palmers are engaged and I am pledged to visit my dear Father-in-law in Hertfordshire on that day, not returning until the following morning.

We are to propose your dining in Portland Place on Thursday the 17th.

My dear Sir,

I shall have great pleasure in recommending your objects when I have influence as I indeed have done to a great extent without effect. A list of subscribers already would aid.

Abel Smith Esq. M.P. 39 Berkeley Square is my Patron and well disposed to do good, but his formal official situation made it necessary for me not to buy any foreign objects before hand. You can send your Paper to him.

May our God himself prosper your efforts most agreeably.

I am with you always.

Best regards...
at ½ past 7 should we be more successful. That is, I am sorry to say, the only day which is in our command - as duty in Wiltshire will take me away from London for the following Thursday.

Ever, my dear Bishop,

Very faithfully yours,

Sam. Waldegrave.

Perhaps,, we are in time, you will kindly direct your reply to my Sister

Lady Louse Palmer

6 Portland Villas.