

F. M. Farley  
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to 9 Col. McCheson

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Dear Sir

L. 6 Knights Bridge Green  
Thursday Feb 14<sup>th</sup> 1811 -

Greatly feel ashamed at the trouble I have occasioned you  
It was far from my intention to interrupt you in the  
midst of your important occupations on Monday, when  
I learnt how you were circumstanced I returned home immediately  
The next day I hoped might be more propitious & that I might  
avail myself of a leisure moment to explain my wishes  
fully, determined not to move without your perfect approbation  
with the same feelings I still repose upon you. but  
shall certainly press nothing further at present -  
I am confident I can assist you with two powerful  
auxiliaries - namely Lord Moira & Lord Erskine. The  
former had the happiness of seeing me Tuesday after I  
left the St Albans coffee Ho - His answer to you for him  
and the latter has been my zealous friend & advocate  
from my earliest outset in life - But I repeat that  
I absolutely repose on your experienced kindness -

I have this morning written to Lord Moira and requested  
he would use his interest to get me a proper appointment  
in the Ile de France where my perfect knowledge of  
the French character and language would give me ad-  
vantages which no were Englishmen could possess -

you know my dear Sir that the Irish Brigade has  
been under the old regime always accustomed to serve  
to serve in those Islands - If you will follow up upon  
this decisive moment of my life the uniform series of your gene-  
rous conduct towards me owing my distress the forwarding this  
objct will entitle you to the best feelings of a grateful heart which  
will ever be manifested to you by your respectful servant  
F. M. Farley

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