

Washington City March 6th 1857

My dear Sir

This will introduce to you
my much esteemed young friend Mr Eugene
Erwin, who seeks to win the smiles of for-
tune, and a home, in California

Mr Erwin is a grand son of Mr Celay, a
young man of great worth, and the favorite
of his grand father.

Any favor or kindness you may extend to him
will be duly appreciated by him, as well as
by

Your sincere friend

J. H. Thomas

Hon. S. Clinton Hastings

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