

consistently with regard to
his family —

I am afraid to encroach
upon your time — I am

My dear Lord

Your obliged and
humble servant
Marcus Edgeworth

Received of the
Hon. Secy of the
Treasury
the sum of
£100
on the 4th day
of Aug. 1827

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Edgeworthstown
Aug. 4th 1827

My dear Lord.

Tell this morning I had
hoped that we should
have had the pleasure
of seeing your Secretary
& our friend Mr. Spring
Rice — Besides the pleasure
of his company I was par-
ticularly anxious that he
should see & judge of the
school which my brother
has established at Edgeworthstown
that he might
report to your Lordship his
opinion of it — But since
I hear that his few days
leave of absence cannot
possibly admit of his visit-
ing us this year I will
not longer delay to men-
tion what I hope your Lord-
ship will not think
inconsistent with your
public views to listen to or
imfit for me to presume to

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ask for my brother —

Report ~~states~~ says that the present Commission of Education in Ireland will soon be at an end — If new commissioners should be appointed might my brother hope to be one of them? —

His attention has for these ten years past been unremittingly directed to the practical business of education in Ireland — The school he has established in this village has now about 200 scholars of all cluges & sects; and the present Commissioners of Education who have examined it particularly Messrs. Blake, Grant & Parnceote the Sects of the Commission have given ~~unqualified~~ unqualified approbation which I should be ashamed

to claim on my own perhaps partial views —

My brother has never applied for assistance to the Sheldare Street Society or to any other Society because he felt the necessity of keeping himself quite unshackled in order to carry his own system on the most important point in this country into effect — The expense which he has been at has been very considerable in buildings &c for this establishment — In truth (as I may mention in a private note to your dear Lord) he has involved himself more than he could have foreseen would be the consequence at the commencement of his undertaking & has done more for the good of public education than, as he now feels he ought to have done