

I had it begun some time ago  
and thereby undertake that it shall  
go all go up at the proper date  
fixed on (viz) the 30<sup>th</sup> of June.

I remain

Yours very obed<sup>t</sup>. Servant  
Alfred Cecil

(B 313)

Sturminster Newton,

Dorset 14<sup>th</sup> Decr. 1888

Dear General Pitt-Rivers,

I am sorry to think that  
you suppose I have not done as  
I promised so quite the contrary is  
the case all I know about preparing  
a cash book was when reading  
the report of the last account with  
you in which Mr. Lance had  
intimated that such should be done  
and you said if not much trouble

it had better be done, and I said  
it would be making a second account  
but still if desired it should be  
done but it could not be done until  
after my usual accounts were finished  
& which I know I positively undertook  
should go up at the proper time and  
which they did and which I told  
you of and I also have told you  
several times I was preparing the  
additional book but at that period

of the year there is so much audit  
work to attend to that there is not  
much time for other work, I had  
not heard from Mr. Lamer as to the  
same until a short time ago I wrote  
and said that I had such book  
nearly ready and he then informed  
me they were ready for it and  
I sent it off directly it was completed  
to them - In order to be ready on  
the proper day with this years work