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40. Craven Street, Strand,
London. W.C.

8th December 1882.

My dear Sir.

I am in receipt of yours of this day's date and will put in hand the Draft of the Under Lease together with the stipulation for giving the proposing Tenant liberty to purchase in the first two years at the price named. It is quite clear that the Lease must be made out in the name of Mr. Morley himself as the granting of a Lease to a married woman is always a matter which we try to avoid if possible. I suppose that I shall have a communication

from Messrs. Morley the Agents as to the extent of the repairs which they propose to do, but in the meantime the Draft shall be put in hand.

Yours truly

Wm. Smith

General Pitt Rivers
4 Grosvenor Gardens
S. W.

B505

40, Craven Street, Strand,

London. W.C.

21 December 1882.

My dear Sir,

You will probably be expecting to hear from me respecting the Leases of the houses in Denyvern Road. I think I have settled every point satisfactorily except one as to the mode of using the premises.

It appears that they are required for the purposes of a Boarding House which fact however is not mentioned in the proposal made for the taking of the houses, and it may be that I shall have to get a

License from the Ground Landlords to enable such a business to be carried on. I presume that so far as you are concerned you will see no objection. Certainly I do not.

Yours very truly,

Horace W. Lusk

General Pitt Rivers
 Grosvenor Gardens.

P.S. I was not aware whether you are in town and am therefore sending a Duplicate of this letter to Rushmore

B503

40, Craven Street, Strand.

London. W.C.

24th January 1863

My dear Sir.

I am sorry to have to report that I have not heard anything definite from Lord Kensington's Solicitors as to the grant of the Licence. I believe that his Lordship is out of town, and they are not ^{apparently} in the habit of bringing anything before him during his absence; but I am not certain whether this is so. I do not know whether you are personally acquainted with his Lordship; but if you are, I apprehend that a line from you possibly might expedite matters and what is more important induce his Lordship to

look with favourable eyes upon the application. Of course it will be referred to his Solicitors (whom I know very well) but I have found not infrequently that where there is any personal knowledge of the party applying things are sometimes made easier.

Yours very truly

Arthur W. Smith

General Pitt Rivers
Rushmore
Salisbury

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Salisbury

40, Craven Street, Strand,

London, W.C.

31st Jan^y 1883

My Dear Sir

I have had a letter from Lord Kensington's solicitors to say that he comes to Town very shortly for the Meeting of Parliament and that they will then bring the matter before him; but at the present time they do not know whether he is in Wales or Scotland. This is a very unsatisfactory state of things; but I don't see what can be done further with the solicitors to expedite matters.

Yours every faithfully

Horatio Smith

(B 555)

40, Craven Street, Strand,
London. W.C.

3rd March 1863.

My dear Sir.

I am sorry that I was not
with you when you called, but yesterday
I was in Court and on Wednesday I
generally am away in the afternoon.

The position of the question regarding
the license to the houses in Portico
Road stands thus. Lord Kensington's
Solicitors could not trouble him about
the matter whilst he was away, and
therefore it stood over until his return
when they brought the question before
him, and he then said that although
he did not much like the idea he would
be induced to consent if the parties interested

on either side did not object. One of
them is Messrs Harris the Builder and I
at once placed myself in communication
with his Solicitors, and am expecting
now to hear from them on the subject.
Practically I do not think that there
is any great difficulty about it because
since the passing of the new Act of
Parliament there is not much danger
of an action for breach of Covenant.
I shall report to you as soon as I get
a definite reply from Messrs Harris's
Solicitors on the subject.

Yours very truly

General Pitt Rivers

4 Grosvenor Gardens

Henry Smith

(8505)

40, Craven Street, Strand,
London. W.C.

March 5th 1893

My dear Sir,

I had not heard any of the circumstances that you mention from Mr. Haddley, but since I wrote on the 3rd instant I have seen the Solicitor to Mr. Harris and they told me substantially the same story. The legal position is very simple - Mr. Macbray has entered into an arrangement with you to take a lease and that agreement is enforceable against

him; but then the question arises whether assuming that he declines to complete it is worthwhile to proceed against him. My view is that your better course will be to assume that the lease will be carried out, and ignore for the present at any rate the state of affairs between Mr. McBeay & his wife, and so I will see his Solicitor on the subject. Should however any overtone for the relinquishment of the premises be made, they should certainly be entertained; for you would be

much better without - hand

Yours very truly

Samuel W. Smith

Genl Pitt Rivers

4 Grosvenor Gardens

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40. Craven Street, Strand,

London. W.C.

May 26th 1883

My dear Sir,

I don't apprehend that there
is any doubt about your liability
to pay for the work done by
Messrs Tolent & Son, if as I under-
stand the case, you gave their
order for it. Messrs Bentley &
Co. informed me that ~~such~~ the work
was done to under the horse
fit for Mr McBray's requirements
and the fact that he has
run away from his obligations

cannot I fear make any
difference. The affair is
an exceedingly unfortunate
one; but the only remedy
would be to sue Mr McBray
for damages for not carrying
out his contract - and then would
then arise the awkward question
whether he was not induced
by Messrs Bentley to enter into
it under the impression that
he could carry on the
business which he proposed
to follow. I think that the

only course is to pay the bill
of Miss Tolson & Co and try to
pilot the house

Yours very truly

Samuel Smith

Genl. Pitt-Rivers.

4 Grosvenor Gardens.

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P.S. I return the letter.

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10. Craven Street, Strand,
London. W.C.

June 25th 1863.

My dear Sir.

Messrs. Eaton the Builders
send their account to me saying
that you had referred the matter
here for the purpose of being
settled. I have already I think
written advising you on the subject
and I shall be very glad to have
your instructions.

Yours very truly
Hume Smith



General Lane Fox
4 Grosvenor Gardens
S.W.

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10, Craven Street, Strand,
London. W.C.

August 2nd 1883.

My dear Sir.

I have had an application
from a Solicitor in the Earls Court
Road on behalf of Messrs. Totentson
who did the work for you at the
Pennyverne Road, and I should be
glad if you would give me instructions
in the matter. I do not see that there
is any means of avoiding payment,
although the object for which the
work was done had so untoward
an ending.

Yours very truly

Hubert Smith.

General Pitt Rivers.

Pennyverne Road

Earls Court Road

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10, Curwen Street, Strand,
London. W.C.

August 11th 1873

My dear Sir,

I just from my brother Mr
that the order to keep John L. to
do the work at Pump House Road
was given by you ~~and~~ in writing
and there would appear there-
fore to be no doubt of your
liability. Will you instruct
me what to do in respect of
this claim?

Yours faithfully
Strickland Smith

Genl Pitt-Rivers.