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8 August 1895.

Sir

I much regret to have occasion to trouble you about the Coal order, but when Mr. Stanley came to me early in April last, he intimated that you wished to commence sending the Engine at once & to continue fetching the coal away as fast as possible. The Engine has, however, been sent so irregularly, that less than half the order has yet been executed, & in several cases we have had to pay for detention of trucks which had been ordered for the Engine. As Summer prices will be cancelled at the end of this month, I should

be extremely glad if you could kindly arrange to send for the remainder of the order by that time. The House Coal which we are sending you gives great satisfaction among our customers, & a large number are stocking it in for the winter.

As the agreement between the masters & miners will expire in January next, it is very much feared in the Coal trade, that troubles will again arise. I think, therefore, it would have been advisable to have increased your order this time. In any case, you could not have been wrong.

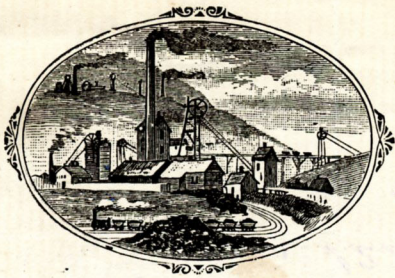
Again apologizing for troubling you

I am

Yours respectfully,

G. Smart.

Gen. Pitt Rivers.



*Cheque
£100 sent on
June 23/96.*

Blandford,

Dorset.

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Coal, Coke and Salt Merchants

AND FACTORS,

General Hauliers.

BRIQUETTES, FIREWOOD, FIRELIGHTERS.

BEST GERMAN MOSS LITTER.

13 June 1896.

*Genl Pitt Rivers,
Rushmore.*

Sir,

It is with extreme reluctance that I venture to ask if you will kindly send us a cheque on account of coal contract, but I think you will not receive my application unkindly, when I explain that last year turned out a very bad one for us. We made two or three bad debts of considerable amount, & our trade was exceptionally dull also, added to which we recently lost one of our most useful horses, & as money comes in very badly, & we have to pay Colliery Apts monthly, I shall feel grateful if you will kindly send me £100 on account. Up to the present time, the engine has taken a little over 122 tons of house & steam coal.

I am

*Yours respectfully,
Geo Smart.*



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SMART & SON,
Coal, Coke & Salt Merchants & Factors,
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BRIQUETTES. FIREWOOD. FIRE LIGHTERS. MOSS LITTER.

4 Aug. 1898.

Genl Pitt Rivers,
 Rushmore.

Sir,

In 1896 you were so kind as to let me have a cheque for £100 on 4c of Coal contract: and as money has been coming in so very slowly during the last three months, & having some large accounts to meet in a few days, I should be extremely grateful if you would kindly do me the same favor on this occasion. Of this year's orders about 154 tons

has been supplied, besides about £20 for coals to be delivered to the Museum to end of May last.

Sincerely apologizing for troubling you,

I am

Yours faithfully,

J. Smart.

Cheque for
 £100
 sent on Aug. 5/98.