

The pictures go into the RA
next Monday. & then we go over
to Paris till the end of May.

I hope you will like your son's
portrait. He has sat well &
I have had a fair chance.

Mrs Scott comes to see it on
Sunday & will no doubt tell you
what she thinks of it as a likeness.

Believe me to be
your most truly

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Dear General Pitt Rivers,

Mrs Rivers saw your
son's portrait yesterday morning -
& she tells me you would like
it to go into the RA. & though
I should have preferred your
seeing it first - as pictures don't
look their best there - I will
send it if you wish it.

Mrs Rivers said you did not

understand why I should
have made it bigger than
arranged with you without
referring it to you. I began
it on a bigger canvas as it
is easier to cut it down than add
to it & I wanted it to be as
satisfactory as possible regardless
of a few inches. Not with any
intention of increasing the price
to you - once I had quoted it
viz. £60.

Mrs Knives tells me you would

still prefer keeping Lady Lubbock
portrait if I would only make
a few alterations which could
be done in 2 or 3 sittings
while Lady Lubbock is on a
visit to Rushmore in the summer
meanwhile that - you would
pay me £100 now on a/c.
The rest viz £70 when the alterations
are done & for this portrait
of your son - at the end of the
year.

If I understood this rightly it
will suit me if it pleases you.