

so glad. I am willing to
work in any way to gain
the money I require, & would
far rather earn than borrow
it, but I find such difficulty
in disposing of paintings &c,
the market for them being so
flooded. I have just finished
a 6 ft. 4 fold screen in oils,
but have found no sale for it.
Trusting you will forgive
the liberty I have taken in
thus troubling you.

Yours faithfully
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Sir,

I trust you will pardon
the liberty I take in
writing to you, but I am
by circumstances obliged
to do something for my
own maintenance, & I
have now I believe a good
opening for taking up the
profession of a Lady Rider
& Mistress, but my hands

are completely tied for want
of a small sum & begin
with. I shall I find have
to lay out £20, & I have
not now this sum at my
disposal, therefore, as it
does seem so hard, to have
I give up now that I am
so near success, I determine,
complete stranger though
I am to you, but I have
heard of your great kindness
& consideration to those
around you, to ask if you
would kindly advance

me a part of this sum,
which, it should, of course,
be my first endeavour to
repay you out of my earnings.
If you desire, I can give you
references, or if you would kindly
grant me an interview, I should
be glad to go & see you; & if
you could kindly help me,
I should feel so grateful, for
I am most anxious to achieve
my end & take up this profession.
I can also paint in oils &
water-colours, therefore if there
is anything I could do for
you, in this way, I should be