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BLANDFORD.  
—AND TELEGRAPH—

July 9 1895

My dear General Pitt Rivers

Thank you very much  
for your kind & affectionate  
letter & for Mrs Pitt Rivers  
& your invitation to Bournemouth  
which all are unable to  
accept as we leave home  
on Monday for Westmorland  
the Prince of Wales's mandate  
is most unfortunate as  
I could have come to  
you on Thursday. Still  
in making a tour to these  
parts - the corner here  
& sleep on Friday & I  
mean to coach him round



three villages. The  
leaders of both parties  
are not to be depended  
upon but I expect  
the agricultural interest  
will be attended to better  
by Sabre by the time by  
of Pennington - I am delighted  
to know you are at it  
near the terminus and  
hope I may live to see  
it. On my return home  
in August I shall hope  
to see you at Pennington  
& hear the strength  
with very kind regards  
& special thanks to  
Mrs Pitt Rivers  
I remain  
your most sincere  
W. Howard - May 20th

P.S. If you have no de-  
sirable candidate for  
Oxford. I think I  
could send one for you