

The Rectory L151
Melcombe Horsey
Dorchester
Dorset
25 Jan^y 1884

Dear Sir

I beg to thank you very much for your very kind offer of the distinction of being Chaplain to the High Sheriff of Dorset, at a time when the office itself of High Sheriff will derive signal and unusual lustre from its occupant.

I accept with great pleasure & much pride the honourable post you have so kindly offered -

I am very grateful for
this distinguished mark
of your favour.

I know a Clergyman a
few miles from here who
was Chaplain to the High
Sheriff some little time
ago. I have no doubt
he will give me information
as to what I shall have to
do, and what I shall
require -

Begging to thank you
once more for this very

kind appointment, and
this kind mark of your
favour I remain
Faithfully & Respectfully Yours
Joseph Hall

To

General Pitt-Rivers F. R. S.