

If it were so, my experience
shows that the result would be
unsatisfactory in all
likelihood both to the man
& woman. *ἴψα κατ'*
ἑαυτοῦ ἀρεῖ was
a true saying of the old
philosopher.

With all good wishes
to you & yours for the New Year,
& thanks for your kind greetings to myself,
I am most truly yours
John Lubbock
General Pitt Rivers

Abertin
3 Jan 99

Ans.
Jan. 11/99.

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PALACE,
SALISBURY.

Dear General

It is a pleasure to me
to see your handwriting
again. I am sending you
my answers to enquiries
about Mr Phosman, which
will show you that he has
a good character. I should
like them back again as
they will be filed for reference.

PALACE
SALISBURY.

I find that making these
enquiries in this
methodical way - though
laborious - is fruitful
& preventive of mischief.

There will probably
be a ^{need for} some internal
before Martin is vacant

as Mr Plowman ^{expects}
natural repairs &
some improvements ^{to be}
made in the Rectory there

& they should be done before
Mr Wrix leaves so that there
might be no question of dilapidations
I have heard a rumour

of what you say, though

I am not at all sure

(after talking with the
Archdeacon) that it is true.