

Crabtree
30 Sep. '87

Dear Sir,
I have lately secured a copy of my book from a man at Reading, and if you will do me the favour to accept it I shall be gratified. But I must correct some of the Errata before I send it. I am much vexed that it requires so much correction, the reason for it is, I was compelled to leave the revision of the press entirely

The County round Rushmore teaches me many things I did not know, and it confirms me in the opinion that Rushmore derives its name from the Celtic equivalent of water - uisg or wish (and other forms of the same word.) There is, you know, a hundred of that name in Parbeck near Sulworth - and an "Arish Mill", near Kimeridge Bay - Ar-ish, the water - which is very like Rush. I was puzzled about the name as applied to the Chase before I saw

in the hands of the
printer, with the
unfortunate result of
having more corrections
to make than might
have been otherwise required.
I am sorry that I cannot
offer you the copy which
is in your hands, but
I cannot well spare it,
as it contains a few
autographs and private
notes of which I have no
other copy. I possess
4 8V.° vols of MSS entirely
relating to the Chase, which

I did myself from
a 2^d MS. lent me
many years ago by
Mr Charles Bowles, and
which I have returned
to his Representative Mr.
late Sir William Erle,
Lord C. J. of Common Pleas.
Before returning this work
I made a careful, and as
I think, an accurate trans-
cript of it. I will take
an opportunity of sending
it to you.
I thank you most sincerely
for your beautiful
volume. Your Man of

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Your Plan, & there ✓
find a "Water Ridge",
and "Water Bottom", not
far from you. I have
no knowledge of the
locality so as to know
why this name has been
given to it, but there
can be no doubt that
water which is a most
essential element in that
part, has given its
name to the boundary,
Rush more = mere. There
may have been formerly

ponds or reservoirs
there, but no stream.
There is a curious
word, which seems the
entire of local use, as
I do not find it in
any dictionary or Glossary
at hand — Pleck —

I imagine it may mean
an open space or glade,
but I do not know —
Is the word Keltic or
Saxon? I am inclined

to think the latter.

I remain, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

Gen. Pitt-Rivers
D. ed. FRS

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