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My dear Pitt Rivers,
Many thanks
for your letter - &
for the precautions
you have taken to
prevent the fox
from getting through
your Deer Park fence,
which are quite
successful: as 2
foxes tried the fence
yesterday, ineffectually
- The only difficulty
was to some people

DURWISOR.
BEARDLORD.

who did not know
the bearings of the
new fence. — Provided
the fox cannot get
through the fence, our
sport will not suffer.
I wonder whether
you wd mind letting
my Huntsman
have a key of the
gates — He wd be
very careful about
locking them — if at
any time he used

it — I am not acquaint-
ed with the ^{various}
rights of way about
Kushmore: as we
have been accustomed
to go the nearest
way, through that
wild country —
without considering
whether any right
was involved —

Yours very truly
W. H. B. Portman

(2480)

Rushmore,
Salisbury.

April 13th 1881.

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and I must do that I
can to keep the deer from
falling out. as regards ordinary
communication there are 5
parallel roads running north
& south within the space of
a mile & a half here in here
than you will find in most parts
of the country. It is my intention
East & west. Was locking the
fences could impede any one
& no one ever goes that
way except in hunting.

Yours
A. R. M.

My dear Portman.

I am told there are
a better here today about the
fates. I had the fences locked
& were nothing but all
round the track especially to
facilitate the hunting in
I supposed. Last time the
hounds came here the fox
got into the track & could
not get out & it was killed in
the garden after hunting etc

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housed & housed for some
time. So I asked your hunterman
what was best to be done &
he said it would be best to
keep the fox out all together
if possible. I therefore went
to the expense of putting
wire netting all round the
field & in other places where a fox would get in.
most side supposing that
if the fox & hound were
kept out none of the
field would need to
go through. I understood

how they the fox were
but I don't understand how it would
interest. of course if that
cannot be prevented it will
be best to keep the gates
open when the hounds are
about. I must have been
put to see they are sent
through the deer walls
set out especially as
fast. I shall be glad
to know. But you think
it best to be done as I don't
wish to impede the hunting