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Loch Ave Side
Dalmally N.B.
Aug. 17. 1888

Dear General Pitt-Rivers. Your letter
& your approval give me great pleasure.
I am so glad you go with us. It often
seems to me that all those who have
led "keen" lives - thrown themselves into
some great world-interest, feel at
once instinctively the degrading effect
of our present system.

I should dearly like to come over &
see you & look at what you are doing.

I had heard ^{of} it with great interest.

^{They are} ~~It is~~ the very saving & ennobling of
our country life - experiments such
as you are carrying on. I have a
dream that every large country house

& in matters of that little ones too, should
aim at being a centre of help & refinement
to those round them. I am making a few
feeble efforts to do something - but I have
so little ^{physical} energy for all outside my actual
work of late, that it leaves the little.

Near Bournemouth I have a friend a brick
- maker who is inspired by your Sunday
example & is also in a small way
hinking & trying. His name is Carter of the
Kinson Pottery - might I tell him that if
he went over some Sunday, you would let
him see what you are doing.

If a few of us could arrange to call
a few owners of country houses together -
(- they might be like spirits from the
vasty deep - in answer to my
calling - but we would try -) would

you come some day & expound
what you are doing. I am so & things
for spreading the contagion of a
good thing.

As regards examinations, may I plead with you
 to put down for us a few general thoughts or
 observations of your own in the matter. We are
 making an interesting collection of notes & opinions
 on the subject, & should be so grateful for
 a contribution from you. I hope these notes
 of many minds may do more than the
 memorial itself. Thanking you once more

Yours truly,
 Samuel May

Andrew Herbert

THE SACRIFICE OF EDUCATION TO EXAMINATION.

LOCH-AWE SIDE, Dalmally, N. B.

TO THE SIGNATORIES OF THE PROTEST.

PRIVATE—For your own information alone.

MY DEAR SIR, *General Pitt Rivers*

I believe that the Editor of the *XIXth Cent.* is kindly willing to insert the protest on this subject with a certain number of signatures on October 1, should no obstacle exist. There is however an obstacle that may prevent this course being taken, and in that case it is proposed to ask *the Times* to publish the paper. Will you be good enough to tell me if you approve of this course; and also if you would kindly entrust Mr. F. Harrison—if he will consent to help me—and myself with the office of eventually selecting the names to be printed, should it be impossible to print all the names *in the first instance*. The names already exceed 100, and I hope they will be considerably increased. They will all be printed subsequently without exception.

It is also proposed to publish short notes and statements which different persons have kindly contributed, in a small separate volume. This volume will contain the names of all who have signed, and its price would be either 1/- or 1/6. I am willing myself to undertake the expense of this volume, if it does not prove higher than I expect; but it would be a great assistance in the matter if any persons were kindly willing to subscribe for a few copies. The copies would be supplied to them at trade price + the publisher's charge for sale. It is probable that the original letter could only be published in a summarised form in this volume, were the letter itself published in the *XIXth Cent.* It might therefore be found best to delay the publishing of the volume (if it is to contain the original letter) from October 1 to (say) November 1, but this point had better remain open for the present. Will you kindly let me know if you approve generally of these proposals? Should any signatory wish to suggest any different course I hope he will feel at perfect liberty to do so, circulating it himself amongst the other signatories, and kindly informing me that he has done so.

I am very truly,

AUBERON HERBERT.

*Musee
Museum*