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15. Marsland Road
Walworth S.E.

5th Sept. 1888.

Lieut Genl. A. A. Lane Fox Pitt-Rivers,

Sir,

I wrote you some time back respecting a Royal Commission relative to an ancestor of yours & having received no reply I arrived at the conclusion the letter must have miscarried. The following is the purport of my previous letter.

A few days ago I purchased some old & very valuable documents & on close perusal one of them turned out to be a Royal Commission appointing "Our trusty & well beloved Sackville Walter Lane Fox Esq" to be an officer in the 1st Regiment of Foot Guards & bearing the signature of the then reigning monarch, & countersigned by the Prime Minister. Lord Sidmouth, & entered with the Secretary at War. Col^l Lukin & the commissary General of musters Tho^s Batt. & Given at our

Court at Carlton House. dated 5th January
1814.

I have been offered 10^l. for this document by
a Connoisseur but refrained from accepting until
I had written you - presuming your ancestor's
commission would be most highly treasured by you
Should, however, this not be in the direct line I
should take it as a very great favor if you would
kindly inform me the next nearest relative of this
noble & gallant officer, if in your power to do so.

Will you kindly favor me with an early reply
as I shall refrain from disposing of the document
until I have received your decision.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant.

Ernest Day.