

20th December 1882.

Copy letter to  
Genl Pitt Rivers

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Sturminster Newton,  
20<sup>th</sup> Dec 1880.

Dear Gen Pitt Rivers,

I beg to enclose for your consideration a copy of a Letter received from Sir Tho. Gross Agent as to the Land at Byewick near the road you wished me to write about, I imagine from the Letter there may be some difficulty as to a Sale but not as to a long Lease.

I also enclose a copy of 2 Letters received from Mr Bennett as to the Sale of his House &c at Tollard, I think the sum asked £380 too much but if you should so wish I will meet him on the subject & go into the matter further with him. It seems to me that you may perhaps consider it better (if more House room be wanted near Rushmore) to build a pair of Cottages on a plan that you may like instead of buying.

I also enclose copies of 2 Letters from the Surveyor as to altering the road near the Lodge & I presume you will wish me to make the application to the Highway Board at the meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> inst. for permission to make the alteration but I fear the whole of the expense will fall on you from the tone of the Letters, I told the Surveyor I thought the Board ought to pay half the cost.

I saw Mrs Barnwell a day or two since and from what she said I expect to hear from her in a day or two naming a price for the Cup & Cradle.



Should you wish to see me at Rushmore  
I will be there any morning this week that  
you will kindly name.

We are preparing for the Audits  
which commence at Dorchester on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
of January.

We shall send a further remittance of  
£400 to Messrs. Ransom & Co. this week

I have heard from Mr. Tibberd and  
await a letter from Mr. Bartlett as to the  
Farms.

I remain,  
Your obedient Servant  
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