

Jan<sup>y</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1846.

Mr G Linnecar

9 Camden Square  
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London

My Dear Sir,

I thank you sincerely for the trouble you have had in packing and sending off my stock to the Railway. I rec'd a line from my friend Wagstaff last evening apprizing me of the trunk having arrived at his house, and I have just given orders to the Camberwell Carrier to call at Mr Wagstaff's for it. I have no doubt I shall find every thing in it perfectly right.

You would have been quite welcome to the prize (engraved after my late friend Alexander) without any exchange as a return. I should also been much pleased by presenting <sup>to you</sup> the view of Nottock after Chantry for which you need not to have sent me any dogs, (you say they are more "in my way", - yes, when I meet them in the street) as I would rather get rid of my stock than add to it. However you are perfectly welcome

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to the prints on your own arrangement.

But in the case of Rome (I mean the perfect copy returned to you by Robinson's) I am very sorry you have no recollection of having disposed of it, as I shall have to pay 500 for it. That man has behaved in the most shameful way towards me. He has grasped the whole of the plates of that splendid work from me for <sup>only</sup> £100 which he advanced for the finishing of N<sup>o</sup> 10 of the work. Only think 43 plates for one hundred pounds. He has taken every advantage of me in that work. Several of the plates have each cost me 20 guineas exclusive of my own labour. Poor Tom Hood told me he was a shabby mean and grasping fellow, but he promised so fair in order to get the dome into his hands that I really thought he meant honestly when he assured me he would do ~~the~~ the same for my benefit as if it were his own work, and sure enough, he has made it (as he considers) his own, but there is a righteous God, and he will have

his reward.

If you had returned me <sup>three</sup> ~~three~~ Number Tens for the value of the one of Robinson's I could then have completed 3 sets. - but as to Numbers 1 to 9 I have sufficient by me - and more loose members are of no service whatever to me.

However, let it be as you have settled it, as I consider myself your debtor for the trouble you have had. - Unless you have more N<sup>o</sup> Tens, for which I would exchange with you for any thing I have by me and give you a liberal quantity in exchange.

If any thing you wish to send me let it be by any <sup>other</sup> means than to send them to Hill or Bogue. Or you could pack them <sup>sealed and</sup> directed to me, and then put them into another sheet of paper with an outside direction to Mr Tiffin 434 West Strand, who in that case would take care of the parcel for me, and by your informing me by letter, I should get Mr Tiffin to send to Bogue's for it. I suppose you have retained on hand the goods I left you on sale, so that our private account remains the same.

With my best wishes to you & your's yours obliged  
Believe me truly W<sup>m</sup> B Cooke