

Richard Bull to Thomas Pennant

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Dear Sir

21 Feb^y. 1791

I send you M^r. Minchins account of the Forest of Bere, which you saw from Port-down, and I will pledge myself that it is a true one. You must have seen Southwick at the same time, of which I know not where to find any account proper for your insertion, but I will endeavour to get information. As soon as I get the Drawing of Lord Fanhope from Carter,¹ I will send it to Mazel, with what prints I can pick up of your list. I should be glad to have any Drawings for the *Dover M.S* that Moses can furnish me with, particularly of Birds, beast's, fishes, and other parts of natural history, and I wish to know your opinion whether I had not better return the M.S. itself; that the drawings may be done there on, instead of having them on detach'd pieces of paper. at any time when you want to write to me, enclose your letter, to Lieu^t: General Rainsford, Soho Square, and he will send it to me regularly, and with exactness. You'll thank me for what ~~is not worth~~ is not worth a thought, but 'tis ~~illegible~~ I, who am the oblig'd person, and I am sure I think so.

I am Dear Sir, as always
Sincerely yours.

R.B. -

P.S. if you have time, turn to page 24. of the *Dover M.S.* & you will see the mistake, (which is mine and not yours) respecting the Earl of Northampton, was a natural one. – After speaking of the ~~latter~~ Earl of Arundel the virtuoso Lord, you proceed and say “He had the honor of founding two others at clun &^c. and He seem'd to rest his character on a few good works &^c. &^c. - -² to an unattentive reader the He seems to refer to the latter, and not the former, whose name perhaps requires to be repeated after the break in the sentence. their characters indeed were not simalar, but that may not be known to the generality of readers. –

Editorial Notes

¹ For the identity of Carter, see [1122](#), n. 1.

² See *From London to Dover* (1801), p. 21, where the ambiguity to which Bull draws attention here has been corrected. ('Northampton had the honour of founding to others, at Clun in Shropshire, and at Castle-rising in Norfolk. He seemed to rest entirely on a few good works...')