

Lunham Green Terrace

Sir.

Presuming that my Racing Communications will not be required by His present Majesty, I venture most respectfully to solicit a remittance for the ~~half~~ year up to the demise of His late Majesty, & also a further consideration for the year preceding. — I claim your indulgence while I state that the engagement commenced the last week in August 1820, & that for the 4 Months of that year you were pleased to send £25 while for the whole of 1821 the cheque was not of larger amount — by this I was at least £20. out of pocket for actual disbursements — I leave it to your liberal consideration whether, if £25

was a fair remuneration for four months,
I was not entitled to a larger sum for
twelve? — I should add, that for the
Intelligence furnished during this period
a Newspaper pays between two & three
hundred pounds, my expenses at the
same time being considerably less.

In the confidence that you will take
give attention as well to my entreaties
my trouble, I have the honor to be

Yr,
Yr most humble
W^m Ruff

July 20/31

S. H. Delme Radcliffe Esq,

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