

Barnet Comrose

Surrey

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Dear Sir

I trust that you will not
interpret it as any personal disrespect to
you, if I beg you to excuse me from
complying with your immediate ~~request~~
But I have had previous obligations of
the same kind, and I confess that the
practice is distasteful to me.

If, however, as you honour me
your books with your approbation, I
have the opportunity of sending you out one
of them for your acceptance, I shall
have pleasure in doing so.

Yours very respectfully

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