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Temple,
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Dear Sir.

Accept my best thanks
for your kind letter &
the accompanying very
interesting copy of the
Catalogue of Charles Lamb's
diary, which I am very
pleased to possess. About
such a writer as that -
everything is worth
printing.

I am a little puzzled
about the copy of Lamb's
works (1840) presented
to William Hazlitt by Mary

Lamb - because Hazlett
died in 1830. It must
have been Hazlett's son.

I hope some day I may
induce my publishers
to let me produce an
enlarged edition of Lamb's
letters - I have a whole
set of them addressed to
Rickman, besides a
variety of isolated letters,
to add.

Meanwhile I hope you
may care to see or procure
of Thomas Hood prepared
to a new edition of his
Poems, w. the Macmillans

are publishing in October.

I remain,

Dear Sir,
with renewed thanks,

Very truly yours
Alfred Ainger.

E. D. North Esq -
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Should not "presentation"
on line 12 of your first
page be "preservation"?