

Private

ST CYLES HOUSE,
CRANBORNE,
SALISBURY.

May 17. 1872

Sir I have just
received your letter.

I had intended to
take the Chair of the
Mining of copper;
but on the con-
dition that every
thing of the nature
of Strikes & Levies
shall be avoided.

I did so, much to

Give the men a fair
opportunity of
stating their claims,
then to offer any
opinions of my
own -

I could wish
keep my baggage -
out, as the day
of meeting fell
within the holidays;
I have no space in

absolutely necessary
for me -

Yours &c

Shufflington

Mr Herbert M. Holmes