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HADEN SMITH & GILL,  
SOLICITORS.

48 Temple Court, Melbourne,

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My dear Andrew,

I asked Winton  
to be allowed to attend to  
your letter of 28<sup>th</sup> as I  
know Wimpole, the owner of  
the house, very well (you may  
remember I used to lodge  
there) & I knew I could  
drive a better bargain with  
him than anyone else -  
I called on him last night

I after <sup>some</sup> haggling beat him  
down to these terms: -

The children can have a  
separate room for their  
meals & a separate  
attendance - You & Madie  
have to dine at the  
public table but in other  
respects <sup>& the maid-servant</sup> you will live just  
as do at home & you will  
of course have a separate  
sitting room - Terms - for  
2 weeks - 14 guas a

week - for 3 weeks - 12 fees a week -  
Considering the advantages of the  
locality & the care & attention that  
will be paid to your wants I  
do not think you can improve  
on this. Let me know by word or  
letter when you are coming so that  
I can give Mimpole 48 hrs notice.

Your rejection was a  
bitter disappointment to me. I  
had fully made up my mind that  
you wd be chosen head of the poll.  
However I leave that & other  
topics including my own troubles  
(we have reached a crisis)  
till I see you -

With love to Bob Clark & the children  
Ever truly yours

Arthur Clark