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London S.W.

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My dear Gray

I have to thank you for your two bills for £ 3. 18. 6 and £ 4. 0. 0 and the two copies of Gen. St. Law's will be duly sent with the new part. I am much obliged by this prompt payment but another time I had rather that you should not send off the money till you have received the books for fear of mishaps or misunderstanding if as they say "anything should happen" to me

The copy of the new part for yourself and the one for Mr. Rudden will be sent as you desire only folded - the complete volumes in boards are scarcely passed - not at all at the top and on the side only just to remove the rough edge

Most people approve of our reading the parts  
cut as they use them in parts often  
without any intention of binding them  
and we find that in binding the margin  
is not perceptibly reduced - not more so  
than it would be if the edges were left  
rough when they wear out much more  
by use. - and as to the new part it will be  
a very long perhaps indefinite time before  
it gets a part & to bind with it. The  
Monostylians will be slow work I have  
now been four months at Orchidea  
(much taken up in three by correcting  
proofs) and have not I think got one  
third through - the Vandea are in a dreadful  
state of confusion.

I am much disappo[rted] at part  
of the volume not being out yet I had  
hoped to have got it all printed before

Christmas but all my urging the printer  
proved in vain and then came Christmases  
holida[ys]. Now the whole is in type except  
the index which goes to the printer tomorrow  
as I have kept it worked up on the revised  
as sent to you. - There are five sheets in  
type (since the one last sent to you) of which  
I have not yet the clean proof, but expect  
two tomorrow

very truly yours  
George Bentham



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