

Sir,

In October 1803 my Cousin
Bridget Severn died leaving ~~my~~ me by
Will the Estate of Eastgrove in the Parish
of Shrawley. On the 28 January 1804 Mr.
Cook your Gamekeeper demanded a Harist
for that Estate £7^u 7^s 0. Though I doubted
whether it was due, I paid it to him with the
promise that it should be returned to me
again, if it were not due. Upon inquiry I find
it is not due from that Estate as Mr. Wheeler of
Winterfold positively affirms. I have applied
several times to Mr. Cook for the repayment,
and by his direction I met your Steward Mr.
Norbury at Shrawley Court last summer. He
said that you had been too much employed to
attend to it, and they both, if I understood
right, spoke of it, as a business that had come
before you. Having to deal with you,
I am as sure of the money, as if it were

in my own hands, therefore I have no ap-
prehensions about it; but I must say that
it will be peculiarly acceptable to me at this
time. I am, Sir, with respectful Compliments
to Mrs. Phillips

Your obedient Servant
Francis Severne

Abberley 24 June 1806