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21st Feby 1874.

H. F. Barnett Esq. 2 Westminsters Chambers
Victoria Street S.W. London.

Dear Sir,

Since writing you on 7th Inst. we have secured Rights to work one Square Mile on Areas Nos. 48. 49. 45. 102. 101. 47. as requested by you and selected by D. Dawson as you will observe on reference to the enclosed mem. of answers to your queries generally.

No more Rights of Search are open to be taken on any of the 5 Mile Areas which were transferred to Mr Prentice, other parties having come in and taken up Rights, on these Areas, after him, to the full extent allowed by law. The principal party taking up these Rights is Jos. C Parkinson, who is largely interested in the "Halifax Company's" Coal property in the vicinity, and we apprehend he intends to look sharply after to pick up his crumbs wherever he can get a chance to come in.

It is absolutely necessary therefore that the Rights transferred to Mr. Prentice be promptly and carefully looked after to keep within the law and he should be here soon to watch over them himself

himself. The parties here who hold Mr. Prentice's Mortgage for \$40,000, with interest, due 1st May 1874, request us to give notice that the amount must be paid promptly when due, as they consider that their interests under the Mortgage would be jeopardized greatly by delay as certain work must be done on at least some of the areas during the coming summer or they will be in danger of forfeiture. The law specifies the nature of the work required and the Government must be guided thereby especially where parties holding subsequent Rights, may be urging them to enforce it.

We enclose memo of 4c of Express ditto by us on Mr. Prentice's account since he left Pietro amounting to \$705⁴⁸/₁₀₀ being the equivalent of \$144.19.35¹/₂ for which sum we have drawn on you at 3 Days sight and which please honor.

Expecting soon to see Mr Prentice here we are, Dear Sir,

Yours Truly
 Prinnors Brothers