

9 Church St
Bengworth
July 29th 1908

Dear Sir

I hope you will pardon the liberty I am taking in writing to you but I consider it my duty to do so. When you were at Badsey Manor last time you asked me to check the time that the workmen made since which time I have done so. Mr Webb brought me this morning the weekly acc from Woolley's the carpenter, I find in this acc that he has charged Mr Webb for last week 167 hours @ 8 per hour = 5.11.4 I might say (and this is my reason for writing to you) that the proper time sheet was made by the carpenter last week was 107 hours made in the following manner... H. Cook. 48 hrs
W. Payne. 59 hrs

of course Wolley will say that the
other 60 hours was made at the
shop preparing Amber. But this I
should very much doubt. inasmuch
as there is not a doorframe. or any
other thing that will be ready before
Saturday. according to Wolley's own
account. I think the panneling is
ready for the small sitting room but
in looking through last week's of I
find that there was 78 hours charged
for Badby Manor while the most that
I know of was 59 hours. This I
think would give them ample time
to prepare the pannels for there so
I am quite at a loss to know what
was being done during these 60 hours.
And the price again is quite out
of the question as I should not

I think there is half a dozen carpenters
in Evesham that is taking over 7 pence
I believe the proper Society price is 7¹/₂
but there are more working for 6¹/₂ &
than ever there are at 7¹/₂ leave alone
3 which I think is extortionate.

In trying to remedy this defect I hope
you will not think me forward in
throwing out a little suggestion. I
should suggest that for the future
you have all the timber prepared
on the work as there is a proper
workshop and carpenter's bench on the
ground and then I should be able
to check all the time that was made
Perhaps when next writing to Mr Webb
you would mention this question and
again asking your pardon for this liberty
allow me to remain
Your humble servant
A. P. Taylor