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SUMMARY:

7.11.1811 Letter from Reverend George Gregory, [Lord Farmer & vicar of Dunsford] to D & C enclosing the yearly rent of £26 13s 5d for Doccombe Manor & woods after making the usual deductions. George Gregory is asking the permission from the D&C to plant a few thousand fir trees as small plantations as there is no timber on the manor except on Le Laugh & he or the future Farmer would like to be able to cut them down to make repairs but not for the D &C to do so.

TRANSCRIPTION

Outside:

Letter The Rev[eren]d Gregory Dunsford 1811

Thomas Starr Esq[ui]re Auditor, Canterbury
to be left at George's Coffee House, Strand, London

Letter Th[e] Rev[eren]d Gregory Dunsford 1811

Inside

Dunsford Vicarage

Nov[ember] 4th 1811

Sir

S[ain]t Luke

Inclosed you will receive a draft for twenty six pounds thirteen shillings & five pence, being the years rent for Doccombe Manor & woods after making the usual deductions.

I beg you will at your leasure {sic} inform me whether if I make a few small plantations of Fir upon the Manor the Dean & Chapter will allow me (or the farmer for the time being) to cut down the same for repairs without their delivery.

The scarcity of timber (there being none except on LeLaugh) inclines me to plant a few thousand

if I can have the above permission from the Dean & Chapter, but if they should interfere respecting taking them for repairs when wanted, it would be absurd in me to plant.

I am Sir

Y[ou]r very ob[edien]t Serv[an]t
George Gregory