

Sir,

Rosamonds' bower

Fulham,

26th February 1842.

Having volunteered, as one of the Registrars of the Literary Fund, my mite towards the subscription now in progress for the destitute family of the late Mr Theodore Hook, and to which subscription I feel satisfied that nothing can be contributed from the general fund placed at the disposal of the Corporation - a circumstance which renders the case one of peculiar and painful interest, I venture as an act of private Charity to bring the matter under your notice, and to assure you that any contribution you may be pleased to transmit to Mr Blewitt, the Secretary of the Literary Fund will be most gratefully acknowledged by Mr Proderip, Mr Hook's executor, from whom the Crown has claimed all the produce of Mr Hook's effects.

I beg to add that the following subscriptions have been already tendered from Officers of the Literary Fund.

Lord Francis Egerton.	Vice President	£50: 0: 0
The Rev ^d R. W. Barham	Council	10: 0: 0
Mr John Barrow	General Committee	2: 0: 0
Mr Nichols	Registrar	1: 0: 0
Mr Crofton Croker	Registrar	5: 0: 0

I have the honor, to be,

Your obedient humble servant,

T. Crofton Croker

Autograph letter of

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(see back of letter)
for a challenge

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