

the passage of the Railway through it -
and it is to be opposed - or at any rate
full compensation demanded. - But a
legal opinion (a Sol's) has been given
to the effect that the Trustees have no
power, as such, to act in the matter. I
confess this has astonished me! and I
am anxious to know - as are other par-
ties - whether it is or can be so? It
seems to me most strange that a trust
which will not suffer even ornamental
timber to be touched, should not extend to
the preservation of the soil. One farmer
alone has said (this' it may be an exag-
eration) that the rent would be diminished
by £100 £ ann. -

If you can only give your opinion upon a
Sol's Case, one shall be prepared for you -
Post is soon expected.

Every good & kind wish from
your very affectionate old friend

Thomas William Webb,

The Sol. who gave the opinion is, I
have reason to believe, no great authority.