

Ferguson's Report on Ancient
Mon't. Your Mr James
has sent me Mr
Ferguson's draft but not
our Report. Have you
got the latter?

Yours very truly
W H St John Hope

See over

Ans?
30 Nov. 87

PR Box 2, 184
Parliament Hill

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BURLINGTON HOUSE, PICCADILLY W.

Nov 25. 1887

Dear General Pitt Rivers

Can you give us
any information about
the barrow referred to
in enclosed & do you
know if it has yet
been opened?

I wrote to you the
other day to Salisbury
asking if you had
got our copy of Mr

7. John Street, Hampstead N.W.

Nov 15. 89.

Dear Sir, In returning you the accompanying forms, I take the opportunity of asking whether you can bring before the Council the question of investigating before it is too late, the barrow near Parliament Hill at Hampstead. The plots in which it is now certain to become pleasure grounds under the Met. Board of Works and all chances of examining the barrow which I believe has not been examined, will be lost soon. I asked Mr. Franks by letter some considerable time ago if he would move in the matter, but got no answer

Yours faithfully
Alfred Goodwin

No. 2. With regard to the barrow near Parliament Hill - it is of course difficult to prove a negative but such evidence as there is points to the barrow having been undisturbed for the last 100 years. The Gait's edg. p. 109 describes some Roman Remains dug up near the Wells at Hampstead but is silent as to that date as to excavation or discovery at Hampstead. Park in his history of Hampstead in 1814 has no mention of any such. The fern growing on the barrow can hardly be younger than those planted at the beginning of this century near the Spaniards and the Hawthorn hedge which until lately surrounded the ditch of the barrow was of hardly less age, without showing any trace of disturbance. Professor Hales drew attention to the barrow (which was already noticed by Sturmi in his "Northern Knight" in 1869) recently in the Athenaeum (in 1883 page 634) suggesting its examination. His letter called out others from Elliott Stock and from Gosmore in parish but no mention was made by any one of any examination having ever taken place. Elliott Stock I think mentioned a belief (which doubtless would help to keep the barrow intact) that it was a burial place for those who died of the plague. Yours sincerely
Alfred Goodwin.

Mr. F's
Report sent to
Mr. Hope on Sunday

PR Box 2/P4

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23/11/87

Dear General Pitt Rivers

Will you kindly drop
me a line by return of post
to say if you have got
Mr Ferguson's Report to us
on ancient Mont. I have
an idea I handed Adm
& I cannot find it here
neither has Mr F got it.

Yours very truly
W H S John Hope.