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to spare you the work
 I am glad you have
 completed the opening
 of a long barrow, as,
 hitherto, much less is
 known of the long
 than of the round
 barrows. Previous
 to your examinations I
 believe not one has been
 thoroughly opened. The
 ditch you describe is a
 very deep one; I suppose
 it does not run round
 the ends of the barrow.

I have found in a few
 instances, in the round
 barrows, where the burials
 were in fragments, with
 the bones ^{same} heaped together
 as you found 3 burials
 in the long barrow you
 mention.

Ans'd.
 Oct. 27/94.

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Drifffield
 Yorkshire
 Octob 25 1894

St. General Pitt-Rivers D. Esq. &c

Dear Sir

I thank you very much
 for your very kind & most
 instructive letter; also
 for the pamphlet on an
 entrenchment of the
 bronze age, and the
 short Guide to your
 Museum, both I have
 read with much interest.

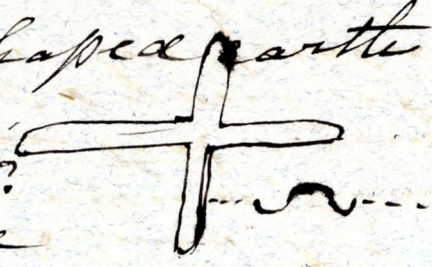
It is to be regretted that
 so few noblemen take
 an interest in this kind
 of study: It seems to
 be left, in the main,
 to those who have but
 little time and means

Your plan of having models prepared
of all the barrows, pit-dwellings &c
is a most admirable plan;
but then, unfortunately, to do
this in every case requires a
~~rich~~ ^{rich} ~~man's~~ purse.

Nothing would give me greater
pleasure than to look over the
contents of your museum should
I at any time be in that neighbour-
hood. Whilst, should you at
any time get as far as Yorkshire
I shall be most pleased to show
you the contents of nearly 300
barrows, and 2 or 3 Anglo-Saxon
grave yards.

Yours very obediently
J. R. Mortimer

P.S. Have you any cross-shaped earth
works of this shape
in your neighbourhood?



We have a few; they are
called "Bields" by the old men
The lengths of the arms are not
always equal, they have a partly
filled up trench running round
the sides of each arm. The arms
point to the cardinal points of
the compass varying ~~in~~ length
some times a cross will have arms
of 15 yards each; at another as much as
50 yards in