

my character. In this district,
brachy cephalism is general, at
present day, as one day I asked my
barber, an intelligent man, who
reads scientific books, to note, & he
told me round heads were in an
overwhelming majority - mine was
an exceptional case, but there were
two or three worse.

This is not precisely science,
but I hope will not think it
nonsense.

I am, Sir,

yours obediently

A. H. Kingsbury

General Pitt-Rivers F. R. S.

L2081 Ringwood
Dec 28th 1894.

My dear Sir,
Most respectfully,
I beg to tender you my very
best thanks, for a favor & honor
you have done me, by presentation
of your valuable & learned pub-
lications - your "magnum opus".
Not only shall I value them
for their matter, but it will
be always a pleasure, to have on
my bookshelves, the works of an
archaeologist & author, ^{so distinguished} as yourself.

Of course there is much in
them that is beyond me, & can
only appeal to a specialist, but

on / other hand, there is very much to interest.

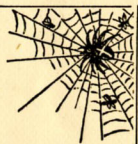
On consideration, I do not think I shall trouble Mr Gray for skulls, etc, at present, for on sketching out my lecture, I find I history & topography of districts, & institutions, established by you, give me such a wealth of subject matter, that I think it will be better not to go into any archaology — I rather think this course will commend itself to you.

In your cephalic investigations, has it ever occurred to you, to consider whence arose / common term long-headed — e.g. I was inquiring

of a man, who had been into your district, whether I et al^m of West Arrow^{was}, proceeding, he seemed to be mystified as to what you could be about, & wound up by saying with a very perplexed look "he be a long-headed old gentleman" — your index would be high, so it could not proceed from shape, but could ^{term} have proceeded originally from shape of head. My index is relatively very low, & I can recall when a lad, or old man, sometimes telling me, I had what his folks called / old-fashioned head, & thereby accounting for certain traits in

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The town chiefly consists of one long, and somewhat irregular street. Its western boundary is the river, and this part of the town, where the church and Market-square are, may be likened to its head, and thence the body stretches out in a winding course, with a general trend of E.S.S., and assumes a more straggling character as it terminates in the hamlet of Moortown.

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