

Looking forward to the opportunity
of seeing
General Pitt Rivers & also
yourself
I remain

Yours respectfully
James Ralls.

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Bridport
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Dear Sir

I am very pleased to
learn from your kind letter of
yesterday's date that General
Pitt Rivers will probably find
time to inspect Broom Quarry.
It is situated nearly two miles
to the West of Chard Junction
Station on the main line of
the South Western Railway
between that station & Axminster
The river Axe winding along
the line, & the Quarry, forming
a very valuable place for
ballasting their line for a long distance.

The place is known to a large number of collectors as supplying the well known implements but beyond a visit from Sir John Lubbock while staying at Lyme Regis some three or four years ago the place has never been scientifically or carefully examined or recorded in any way that I have ever heard of. I shall be most proud to meet the General there at any time & would venture to suggest that he would allow me to order a carriage from here that he may spend a day or so in examining the Roman sites (including the very early one

from whence I get my relics, ~~at~~ and the one on his own estate) in this neighbourhood.

I am told that the implements found by one gang of men always go to the Salisbury Museum. I will make careful enquiries & learn all I can respecting the place & the people receiving implements from it.

I am deeply indebted to him for the three vols of "Excavations" to be sent me & am retaining the other implements received last week thinking he may be glad to have a few more although not as perfect as those sent him.