

Ans.
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WHATCOMBE,
BLANDFORD.
—AND TELEGRAPH—

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My dear & kind General

I have been very
remiss in not writing to
you since your last kind
letter. but I have had
much work trouble in
arranging the Jubilee
Festivals on the What
combe Estate which are
to be held on different
days so that I may be
present and our Ent
dies duty for all we
have also to prepare
on my return home from
Lindisfarne I hope to send

You the relic of the Baynes
burrow ditch which has
been thoroughly examined.
I don't believe a shed or
any object has been
discovered. What is examined
is tabulated as to depth
as usual the Roman remains
are above.

Like Coombe ditch the part of
Dorsetshire I do not see to
have been thickly populated
especially in the true-Protector
land.

I am in much fear lest
the Bishop may defeat us
he is stirring up the Clergy
personally & through the Rural
Dean & letters. One of his cards
is that Lord Salisbury is in

favor of Divorce & separation
& I see a speech of the Archbishop
of Canterbury urging the
same. The only thing in
which we differ (I think) is
religion teaching. In my
opinion this cannot be
taught and inculcated without
Scriptural teaching.

We are so sorry you are not
giving so much ground as
we could wish after your
written attack
& with our very kindest regards
I remain
Your Pitt-Rivers

I remain
So your affly
N. Mansel-Pleydell

I should much like to see you
during the summer.