

Dlope
"Nottingham
Alabastermen"

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Dear General Pitt Rivers 1897

Your alabaster carvings do not belong to my Nottingham "alabastermen's" school at all, nor are they English work. I sh^d imagine they belong to the 17th century, but whether they be Flemish or not I cannot tell. They are certainly curious & amusing, at least the

Noah's Ark one is. I shall
be curious some day to
see a collection of
Noah's Arks. I do not
myself remember the
plank; it must I think
have become extinct.

I hope you are better.
Many of us are looking
forward to seeing &
hearing you at Dorchester.

Yours very truly
W. H. John Hope

I have been spending
Whitsuntide in excavating
at the Charterhouse at
Mount Grace, near North-
allerton, a most charming
place, still retaining
amongst other things the
shell of the church & the
ruins of the cello or
little houses, with their
gardens, surrounding the
great cloister.