

by without a glance the grand
epic written on the strata of
the Earth!

If you could tell me a little
about the Egyptian flint implements
their probable age &c I should
be extremely glad. also
I should like to know whether
~~you~~ you have published any condensed
and cheap accounts of your
researches in the tumuli &c
of the hills & dovecot.

Trusting you will forgive
this intrusion & that you will
find it convenient to give me
~~a reply~~ at any time suitable
to yourself

Sir
I am yours faithfully
W^m F. Grandy

Arrived
Aug. 16/97
Recreation Road
L1903
Guineaford
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Dear Sir,
I had a "Dorset Chronicle"
sent me the other day containing
a short report of your presidential
address to the Archeological
Institute at Dorchester.
A fuller report is promised
and I hope to have the pleasure
of perusing it in due course.

I see that Prof. Boyd Dawkins
referred to your researches in
Egypt & spoke of your tracing
the flint implements found to
their "parent rock". Doubtless
it is my ignorance that
makes this sentence seem
obscure but I should be glad
to be enlightened as to its

real meaning. You will know at once that I have not read your works on the subject. but am deeply interested in the study of early man & kindred subjects yet as a working man it is difficult of course to keep abreast of the latest discoveries. and up to date information in scientific matters.

Such magnificent works as yours. or those of Prof Boyd Dawkins indeed most of the best scientific works are too expensive for me to obtain - and our local library ~~contains~~ ^{contains} none but the most elementary scientific books. nothing new

or modern is supplied altho' it is flooded every quarter with new novels. some good - mostly poor stuff. I think I am

correct in saying the only scientific work added during the past two years has been Clodd's little book "The Story of Primitive man" price one Shilling!

How is that for an Institute and library with 1400 members?

Strange indeed it is as Herbert Spencer (I think) says to see how people occupy themselves with trivialities and are indifferent to the grandest phenomena. Care not to understand the architecture of the heavens - pass