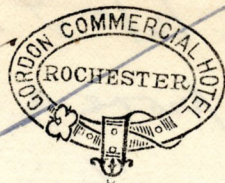


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My dear General Pitt Rivers

The bound copy
of yr. Address at Dorchester
arrived just as we
were packing for a visit
to Tirol; allow me to
thank you for it.

I have just been made
a kind of Policeman by
the Wiltshire Archaeol. Society
to watch over the antiquities
on Salisbury Plain that may
be endangered by the War Office
purchase of manouring ground
or the proposed light railways,
as Shrewton is amid these

novelties - but I hope my
office will prove a sincere -
By the way it is remarkable
how rapidly turf will grow
over loose stones. There is a heap
of flints beside the road between
Bollestone & Stonehenge that,
in the two years I have noticed
it, has almost been covered up
by a growth of grass & collection
of dust &c. on the flints.

Your excavation of ditches
is very interesting as showing
how very much deeper they
were dug than now appears on
the surface.

I was greatly interested today at
the Brit. Museum to find several
flint "scrapers" mounted by Eskimo
in wooden & ivory handles fitted to
the fingers, thumb & palm of the hand
for pushing forward; this accounts for
the blunt square chipped edge, does it not?

Yrs faithfully, C. G. B. B. B.