

TELEGRAPH
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Ranston,
Blandford.

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Dear General,

My young people will
be at the Compton Stud Horse
Show, tomorrow, so Lady Baker
and I would fain be excused
in participating in the festivities
at the Larmer tree, tomorrow, -
for which I hope you will have
a fine day - I feel it rather
a duty to go to the Blandford
Farmers Meeting, the next day -
With regard to your presence

at Ivernium on the 20th, I need
not say that it would be hailed
with the utmost pleasure by the
members of the Field Club, should
however you, unfortunately, not feel equal
to come down to the excavations,
in Park Farm, Mr. Richardson,
and we all would deem the
next best thing, if you should
furnish him with a short paper
upon them, with your views on
the very curious large public
building, the foundations of which
you laid bare last Autumn - but
I repeat that your presence in person

would be deemed far preferable
by us all. It would be too much
I suppose to ask you, if you
did come, to take some refreshment
aboard quietly, where Lady
Baker or my daughter would
look after you.

Believe me

Yours sincerely

Robert Baker
