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WHATCOMBE,
BLANDFORD.
—AND TELEGRAPH—

Nov. 23. 1898.

My dear & kind General
owing to Sunday
days & other obstacles
I have been unable
to have Comber's ditch
photographed, and as I
am leaving home I will
not delay sending you a
few details of my excavations
which were completely done
shut-deep by spade-deep but
with remarkable results -
in view of its age &
of any portion of the long

found whole pile dug up
 not seen a pot-~~sh~~
 The bones (probably human)
 the rest was probably ~~and~~
 described by other persons
 saying which must have
 had access on living
 there has been no found in
 the layer

There was an unbroken
 layer of pure chalk - debris
 from the base of the ditch
 exposed to a depth of 3 feet
 success by three layers.

more or less ~~unbroken~~ unbroken
 with an admixture of bone

1 (lower)	1 foot 6 inches
2	3 1/2 inches
3 (upper)	1
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	5 - 9 1/2

The ditch is 7 feet wide
 at the top and 2 feet
 at the bottom.

I am mentally thanking
 you every day for bringing my
 son into I respect him. Every
 one of my friends never
 care their congratulations
 & you may feel assured to
 well never regret seeing
 The living of Sturminster
 Newton & his he will
 keep the parish going & I
 will hold him a loyal &
 grateful Vicar.

I remain
 ever yours affectionately
 J. C. Marshall - Mayfield
 We had a splendid Anti-Slavery
 meeting at Salisbury last week