

I went to the same spot & found the men taking out another skull, fortunate they had been more careful, & this one is in fairly good condition. The position of this skeleton was extended with head towards the South, a few nails were found with it. The femur measured $18\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

I should be greatly obliged if you would kindly give me your opinion on these interments, when you have the time to do so, & as I do not know

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Lieut Genl. Pitt Rivers
Dear Sir -

On Oct. 12th a skeleton was found by the workmen at Lord Fortman's new mansion: as I was near the spot when it was first sighted I was able to see it. Taken out, the position was extended, & so far as I know, only a few nails were found with it; the head was towards the South. The femur measured 18 inches. The skull was much fractured by the first stroke of the workman's axe,

& I have not yet restored it. The following day, the men came upon another skeleton. I was not on the spot at the time, & I am sorry to say they pulled out a part of the body quite smashing the skull, & put it back before I arrived. I was however able to see that the lower part of the vertical column was doubled under, & that the legs were contracted. The femur measured barely 9 inches., the tibia $7\frac{1}{4}$, the humerus (W^h was crissled) about $5\frac{3}{4}$. Some of the fragments of the cranium were lost in the debris, & I have had great difficulty, in restoring the others, still I have a pair outline. The skull is large & square in form, & broad behind the ears. A few days later the men brought me another skeleton. W^h they said was buried in a contracted position. I measured the cranium as well as I could, & made it about $4\frac{1}{2}$ x 3. The femur measured 16 inches. The skull was long & narrow. The next day (Oct 19th)

Now to take the measurement of a skull, w^d it be troubling you too much to give me a few simple rules for my instruction? I should be very grateful for them. The excavations in the part I have been alluding to in this letter are not proceeding now, but when they do, I dare say we shall find more remains of the kind, as these skeletons were near each other.