President Yale College.

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir,

Learning your College has a large Museum, please permit me to call your attention to the largest Indian Mound, in the United States, situated three miles from this place, and which I am now offering for sale.

The dimensions are 350 ft. long, 260 ft. wide, and 55 ft. high, actual survey, Ethnological Bureau of Washington City. This Bureau excavated a similar Mound near this one, and, came from it a large number of rare, and valuable Indian relics, such as, coins, vases, and other pottery of beautiful design & workmanship, temple-dolphins, shields, etc.
and other numerous articles, in which they place great value, all coming from a pre-historic race of people. All of which can be seen in the Smithsonian Institute at Washington City, where they have also, profile and drawings of this large mound.

I have heard some of the Colleges in the United States, have special teams, each aside, for preserving these relics. And should your College be one of them, I will be pleased to have your co-operation in excavating this large mound and taking the relics it contains.

I wish to dispose of Mound A itself, to excavate it, and take out contents in shares. It had never been opened in any way, and is a rare chance for some College to obtain, relics of priceless value of a prehistoric race. For my, vicinity, character, etc., I refer to Hurd, Bank and First National Bank this City.

Yours truly,

Royal R. Smith B.S.
Yale College  
New Haven, Conn.  

Gentlemen  

Some three years ago I wrote upon President qurin's full description of these Indian Monuments, but so far have heard nothing from him.  

Presuming you have a Museum, please permit me to call your attention to inclosed diagram of the largest one, and claim to be the largest in United States, I am offering Mr. Dale the contents of this & two others.  

The Ethnological Bureau send a note near them that took from is a large collection which they now have at the Smithsonian Institute, There is a full report of this large mound in store Persian which you can get for the asking. Should you feel interested.
will be glad to have you investigate this, as a rare opportunity to get a large and valuable collection for your College. By letting me hear from you, you will oblige.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Royal A. Smith, M.E.
Largest Indian Mound in the United States

North End

Elevation

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East Side Elevation
Largest Indian Mound
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