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Hon & Dear Sir.

Allow me to address  
you again on the subject of our  
Archaeological Committee.

You will see from the  
circulars that we succeeded in  
securing a goodly array of names  
& the correspondence coming in  
indicates that the meeting  
will be very successful.

The enquiry arises up-  
pon whether we cannot  
organize a permanent associa-  
tion of American Archaeologists.  
If we do this we shall  
need to secure the coopera-  
tion of all the scientific &  
historical societies which  
have archaeological departments

as well as that of the state  
& local archaeological  
associations

If I send out a circular  
circular putting the enquiry  
whether these associations  
will become our ally, provided  
the convention should form  
such an association, will  
it be violating any under-  
standing which you & the  
other signers of the call  
for the convention had of  
its objects?

I do not want to do  
anything which is not in  
consonance with the  
sentiments of the Honorable  
gentlemen who so kindly  
have endorsed this move-  
ment. A circular to  
correspondents seems almost  
a necessity -

Will it be assuming anything  
if I suggest this requiring?  
I write thus fully  
because I am sure that  
you will give me your  
considerable advice in the  
matter

Our conversation is likely  
to be attended by those from  
all sections of the continent  
& from Europe

Prof. Army will give the  
address of Melbourne & Hon  
C. C. Jones Jr on address on  
the antiquities of the coast.

Very Respectfully

Yrs

Stephen C. Peck

The requiring might be put  
in a general way whether or  
rather the statement made

that the subject would probably  
cover more considerations  
& leave the question of auxiliaries  
for further developments -

It is a matter of delicacy  
with me, whether to mention  
in the name of the old committee  
any more definite objects for  
the convention. They call the  
members of the call had before  
their minds - signing - It -

Yours  
S. D. P.

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