



DEPARTMENT OF

Greek Language and Literature,

HAMILTON COLLEGE,

Clinton, Oneida County, N. Y.

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Mr. Lyman P. Fowler,

My Dear Sir,

Fourteen years ago,
you called upon me in Clinton
and told me that the graves
of your kindred in the Indian
Cemetery in Deansville had
been desecrated by the whites.
Did you also visit that Indian
burial place a mile and a
half West of Deansville?
I visited this place a few days
ago, and found there a Marble
slab with these inscriptions.

"David Fowler
Died March 31, 1807, aet. 72"

"Hannah, wife of
David Fowler, Died
August, 1811, aet. 64 years."

Were not these your grandfather and grandmother?
A few other graves seem to belong to a family
in close, but there are no other inscriptions.

It is supposed that the farm surrounding these
graves formerly belonged to David Porter, and it is
supposed that Rev. Solomon Decum, the Christian-lion
of David Porter, may have been buried in one of
the graves that had no monument - Will you
kindly tell me what you know about David
Porter and Solomon Decum? Have you in your
collection any letters, or papers, or illustrated
family annals? During the coming winter
of January-December? During the coming winter
we are to hear a lecture on Solomon Decum,
and the Historical Society in Wiscasset, and if you
before the Historical Society in the history that
can furnish any new facts in the history that
can furnish any new facts, I shall be very glad to hear
of them. With many good wishes, I remain
your very truly
David Porter.