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OF THE

ANTIQUARIAN COMMITTEE

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November 26, 1890.

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Sixth Annual Report of the Antiquarian Committee

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THE ANTIQUARIAN COMMITTEE beg leave to present their Sixth Annual Report to the Senate.

Since the last Report the University has raised the annual sum allowed for the maintenance of the Museum from £60 to £100 (Grace, 27 February, 1890, Reporter, p. 506). The Committee have therefore been enabled to commence the acquisition of some of the show-cases and cabinets which they had for some time past been anxious to order.

Antiquarian Museum. Two cabinets with glazed drawers have been added so as to allow the valuable series of stone implements, and the smaller Roman and Saxon objects, to be displayed to the public. The cost of these cabinets was defrayed from the University Chest (Grace, 27 February, 1890).

Among the more interesting additions of the year may be mentioned two highly-decorated burial urns, and other objects, from the Delta of the Amazon, presented by their discoverer, the late Neville Goodman, M.A., Peterhouse (see Cambridge Antiquarian Communications, Vol. IV. p. 414, where some of the objects are figured); a collection of thirty-four Teutonic earthenware vessels, found in Silesia, presented by W. K. Foster, Esq.; and the richly-embroidered canopy carried over Queen Elizabeth on the occasion of her visit to Cambridge in 1564, deposited by the Syndics of the University Library. This piece of cloth was for many years fastened to the ceiling of the music-room in the University Library. The Museum is indebted to J. W. Clark, M.A., Trinity College, for the possession of this interesting relic; for it is owing to his energy that it was transferred from the Library to the Museum, and to his liberality that it now reposes, cleaned and repaired, in a glazed frame.

Some fresh additions have also been made to the series illustrative of Christian Art; but the increase of the collection of local antiquities during the current year has been disappointing. This is mainly owing to the existence of local collectors, who, having time to visit the fens and other localities where digging is going on are able to prevent the objects found from reaching the Museum.

The curator went to Alderney during the Long Vacation for the purpose of visiting a Roman refuse-pit and burial-place, the excavation of which he had commenced in the previous year. The work was resumed this summer by Dr F. P. Nichols. No further skeletons were disinterred, but a number of interesting objects were found, which he has kindly presented to the Museum. Among these may be mentioned fragments of an inscribed glass vessel and of a bronze bowl, a tablet for grinding paint, and a coin of Gordianus III. (See Fifth Annual Report of the Antiquarian Committee, p. 3.)

Library. An oak bookcase and cupboard has been purchased at the cost of the University (Grace, 27 February, 1890).

Ethnological Collections. Two additional shallow show-cases, to contain small objects, have been fitted to the only unoccupied spaces of wall in Gallery G; and the large wall-case containing the Scratchley Collection etc., in Gallery H, has been extended so as to cover the west wall.

The thanks of the University are due to Professor Haddon of the Royal College of Science, Dublin, for a most interesting collection of objects procured by him in the Islands of Torres Straits.
A number of Burmese and Japanese Idols, with other Oriental objects, have been transferred from the Fitzwilliam Museum by the direction of the Syndicate, and are now exhibited in Gallery H.

During the current year the Curator has received the following donations towards the Museum Accession Fund:

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A list of the accessions to the Museum from October 31, 1889, to October 31, 1890, and of the objects received on deposit, is given in the Appendix to this Report. They have been classified, so far as practicable, under the following heads: I. Prehistoric; II. Roman; III. Saxon; IV. Christian; V. Various; VI. Ethnological; VII. Books; VIII. Prints, Drawings, Photographs &c.

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I. LIST OF ACCESSIONS FROM OCT. 31, 1889, TO OCT. 31, 1890.

In those cases in which the objects have not been presented directly, but have been purchased with money subscribed to the Museum Accession Fund, an asterisk is prefixed to the name of the donor.

I. Prehistoric.

1. A finely chipped flint arrow-head. Burwell, August, 1890. Purchased.
5. An oval flint implement (paleolithic), Warren Hill, Cambridgeshire; a well chipped flint implement, Grime's Graves, Norfolk; a hammer-stone of flint, Wreatham Heath, Norfolk; and a small flint celt, Wells, Norfolk. Colonel H. W. Feilden.

II. Roman.

16. Portions of a large decorated vessel, of light clay, with loops under the rim for suspension; and a fragment of dark pottery shewing Saxon-like ornamentation. Chesterford. Professor Hughes, F.R.S. [Nos. 15 and 16.]
17. A small oblong tablet of stone for grinding paint; portions of a glass vessel, the base inscribed with the letters FRODS; fragments of bronze, earthenware, and glass vessels—the latter with wheel-cut facets; the nether-stone and portions of the upper stone of a quern; a pebble with a groove cut round it; and a brass coin of Gordianus III. Found by the donor in the Roman refuse pit. Longby, Alderney, 1890. Frederick P. Nichols, Esq.
18. The nether stone of a quern, a hone, and a grooved pebble. Found by the donor in the same Roman refuse pit. The Curator. (See Fifth Annual Report.)
19. An oblong iron handle belonging to a staff. Found near Cambridge. James Carter, Esq., F.R.C.S.

III. Saxon.


* W. K. Foster, Esq.

IV. Christian.

23. Part of a carved oak rood screen from Old St Andrew's Church, Cambridge. Edwin Rays, Esq., Cambridge.
27. Two ivory figures: one of the Blessed Virgin and Child; and the other of some male saint. Portuguese work of the 16th and 17th century. The Rev. Grevelle J. Chester.
28. Two casts (face and back) of a sculptured stone found near the old church on the Island of Inchbrayoch in the South Esk. [The actual stone is now in the Montrose Museum.]
29. Casts of a fragment of a 'Pictish' sculptured stone, shewing an Ogham inscription, which was found in Aber-nethy church-yard, Fife-shire, in 1889; and of a portion of a sculptured stone, with an Ogham inscription, standing in the grounds of Aboyne Castle. The Rev. G. F. Browne, B.D., Canon of St Paul's, Disney Professor. [Nos. 28 and 29.]
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V. Various.

30. A piece of rich stuff (12 ft. by 5 ft.), showing traces of a bold pattern, divided into four divisions by two bands of velvet. In the centre, in appliqué embroidery, are the arms quartered of Queen Elizabeth, England, and France, with greyhound and dragon supporters; on the vertical band are twelve, and on the horizontal band eight embroidered devices, the portcullis crowned alternating with the rose crowned. This stuff was used for the canopy which was carried over Queen Elizabeth on the occasion of her visit to the University in 1564. *Transferred from the University Library.*


32. Seven brass seal-rings. Found in Cambridgeshire, Suffolk and Norfolk. *James Carter, Esq., F.R.C.S.*


34. A Bellarmine pitcher, with a double-headed spread-eagle and sword on the medallion. Found in moving the earth in front of St John’s College, 1890. *The Library, St John’s College.*

VI. Ethnological.

ASIA.

43. Twelve polished celts. Asia Minor. *The Rev. Greville J. Chester, M.A.*


47. A small stone model of a tope (native work). India.

48. One large and two small knives in leather sheaths. Nepal.

49. A set of twenty-four brass articles used by the Newars of Nepal in domestic worship.

50. Three alabaster, five metal, and eight wooden sacred images. Burmah and China.


54. Two bows of palm wood for the discharge of pellets, and a number of clay pellets; a board on which the bow-strands are kept when the bows are unbent; a rough bow of the ordinary type; two spears of undressed bamboo, a springy wand of hard wood with a metal ferrule used by the Annamites in a throwing game; six baskets of bamboo. Annam and Tonking (Rosset Expedition). *F. J. H. Jenkinson, M.A., Librarian.*

MALAY.


56. A small pair of iron tweezers (in make and general form corresponding with the bronze tweezers found with Saxon remains in this country) used by the Hovas, Sakalavas, &c. for the extraction of superfluous hair. Tananarivo, Madagascar. *James Proctor, Esq., H. B. M.’s Consul for Madagascar.*

AFRICA.


60. A Juju, or fetish, representing a female figure (roughly cut in wood); and a small wooden vessel to which three figures of men are attached. West Coast. *Mrs William Wright.*

61. A chopper with a heavy blade, with incised ornamentation in a brass handle in the shape of a double human mask. Gold Coast.


AMERICA.

65. Twenty-one stone celts. West Indies. *A. P. Maudslay, Esq., M.A.*

66. Eight stone and twelve shell implements from the West Indies, viz.

(1) Three stone celts (one a large and very beautifully finished specimen). Jamaica.

(2) A stone cell, and a small stone chisel. Santa Lucia.
(3) Three small polished celts, and twelve shell adzes, Barbados.

67. A small stone axe-head with deep notches, Demerara. 

Colonel II. JV. Feliden. [Nos. 66 and 67.]

68. One plain and two highly decorated burial urns, fragments of figured pottery, &c. Island of Marajou, Delta of the Amazon, 1880. Found by the donor, the late Neville Goodman, M.A., Peterhouse. (See Cambridge Antiquarian Communications, Vol. iv. p. 414.)

69. Two bows bound with coloured thread, and a number of arrows. Piro and Conibo Indians, Ucayale River (Upper Amazon). *R. E. Fronde, Esq.

70. Small models of a ‘Jungada,’ or canoe raft, Pernambuco; and of a simple bark canoe, Guiana. By exchange.


J. Turner-Turner, Esq.

ARCTIC.


AUSTRALIA.

74. Two clubs, a throwing stick, two ‘swords,’ a picklike weapon with incised figures of kangaroos, emus, &c., two bull-roaers, a wooden dish, and a basket. Queensland. *H. M. Brunei, Esq.

SOUTH SEA ISLANDS.

75. Seven charms and taboos, thirty-four ornaments and dresses, three baskets, seven tools and implements; five fishhooks and lines, one coconut water-holder, six specimens of raw material, two throwing-sticks, one model digging spear used in certain dances. Torres Straits. Collected by the donor, Professor Haddon, Royal College of Science, Dublin.

76. A small flat mask of turtle shell, in the shape of a man’s face; and a large mask representing an alligator’s head, &c., made of tortoise-shell and fringed with feathers, seeds, &c. Torres Straits.


78. Two necklaces of white cowries, boar’s tusks, teeth, &c.; a finely carved sword-shaped weapon; and a sago spade. New Guinea. *H. M. Brunei, Esq.


80. Three elaborately carved and painted fetishes, three masks, and two clubs (New Britain); four clubs (New Ireland). Bismarck Archipelago. *Professor Sidgwick.

81. A club (double paddle type) of dark palm wood. New Britain. J. Edge-Partington, Esq.

82. A large paddle with painted carving of a lizard, the conventional human face pattern, &c. New Britain. *R. E. Froude, Esq.


J. G. Adami, M.A., Christ's College.

84. Two forms of leaf-shaped canoe paddles. Solomon Islands. By exchange.


86. A small basket made of the young frond of a cocoplumb. Torres Island, New Hebrides. The Rev. R. II. Codrington, D.D.


Books.


101. Ilberton Church, Dorsetshire, and its Painted Glass. Communicated to the Society of Antiquaries by Francis Joseph BARNET, Esq., through Edwin Freshfield, Esq., V.P.S.A. Westminster, 1884. 4to. Captain S. Pasfield Oliver, Late R.A.

102. On the Wall Paintings discovered in the Churches


110. Plympton: The Borough and its Carters. By J. Brooking. Crow. 1887. 8vo. (Reprinted from the Transactions of the Devonshire Association for the Advancement of Science, Literature, and Art.)


118. Antigüedades de Costa Rica. Por el Dr H. Polakov. From los Anales del Museo Nacional. San José, 1890. 8vo. The Director of the Museo Nacional de Costa Rica.


120. The Antiquary. London, 1889-90. 4to.


124. The Publications of forty-four Societies, &c., received in exchange by the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, as recorded in the Society’s Annual Reports. *The Cambridge Antiquarian Society.


138. Madagascar, or Robert Drury’s Journal during Fifteen Years Captivity on that Island, and a further description of Madagascar by the Abbé Alexis Bochon. Edited, with an Introduction and Notes, by Capt. Pasfield Oliver, Late R.A. London, 1890. 8vo. *The Editor.


GEOGRAPHY AND TRAVEL.


138. Madagascar, or Robert Drury’s Journal during Fifteen Years Captivity on that Island, and a further description of Madagascar by the Abbé Alexis Bochon. Edited, with an Introduction and Notes, by Capt. Pasfield Oliver, Late R.A. London, 1890. 8vo. *The Editor.


ANTHROPOLOGY AND ETHNOLOGY.


142. Some Popular Superstitious of the Ancients. By J. G. Frazer. (Folkt Lore, June, 1890.) The Author.

VIII. Prints, Drawings, Photographs &c.

152. A photograph of a plan of Cambridge, made by Richard Lyne, 1574, for Dr Caius’ Historia Cantabriagasis Academia!
153. Facsimile of the central sheet of the plan of Cambridge made by John Hammond, 1592, from the original in the possession of J. E. Foster, M.A., Trinity College.
[Nos. 152—154.]
156. A photograph of an ornamental green glazed pitcher of the 13th century, which was found in pulling down an old house in Bristol. Robert Hall Warren, Esq.
157. Two photo-lithographic plates of rubbings taken by the donor of the brasses of Sir William de Tendring, 1403 (Stoke-by-Nayland); of Simon de Wenslagh, 1360 (Wensley, Yorkshire); of Sir Nicholas Dagworth, 1401 (Blickling, Norfolk); of Sir Biginald de Cohham, 1403 (Lingfield, Surrey); and of Lord William de Bryene, 1395 (Seal, Kent). Andrew Oliver, Esq.

158. A portfolio containing plates from the Crania Britannica. The Cambridge Antiquarian Society (given by Arthur G. Wright, Esq.).
159. Two Chinese pictures with appliqués soap-stone figures in relief.
160. A painting on silk representing the death of Buddah. Transferred from the Fitzwilliam Museum. [Nos. 159 and 160.]
161. An Album of the weapons, tools, ornaments, articles of dress, &c., of the natives of the Pacific Islands. Drawn and described from examples in public and private collections in England by James Edge-Partington (issued for private circulation), Manchester, 1890. *II. M. Brunet, Esq.
163. Two lithographs: types of Fijian men. From Edge-Partington and Reager’s ‘Album of the Natives of the Pacific Islands.’ James Edge-Partington, Esq.
164. Four enlarged photographs (size 12" x 14") of two types of houses, of a canoe shed, and of a group of women washing food-vessels in a stream. Taken in the Solomon Islands by Mr C. M. Woodford. *The Curator.

MAPS.

165. The charts and maps published in Bruce’s Travels to discover the Sources of the Nile. Edinburgh, 1805. 4to. II. M. Brunet, Esq.

2. List of Objects received on Deposit from Oct. 31, 1889, to Oct. 31, 1890.

1. Two hundred and twenty-three stone implements from Australia and the South Sea Islands, viz.
   Twenty-five (eight hafted), Australia; twenty-seven (sixteen hafted), Islands of Torres Straits, and New Guinea; four (hafted), Admiralty Islands; five (three hafted), New Britain; ten (two hafted), Solomon Islands; twelve (four hafted), New Caledonia; eighty-four (five hafted), Fiji Islands; three (one hafted), Friendly Islands; fourteen (one hafted), Navigators* (hafted), Society and (?!) Austral Islands. The Curator.
2. A wig of tanned human hair, worn by chiefs of the mountain tribes of Viti Leva (discarded with the male, &c., in 1877), Fiji Islands. A. P. Maudslay, M.A.
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