

# University of Cambridge

## **Report of the Board of Archaeological and Anthropological Studies on the Museum of Archaeology and of Ethnology for the year 1922**

Museum of Archaeology and of Ethnology

2 May 1923.

The Board of Archaeological and Anthropological Studies beg leave to present to the Vice-Chancellor, for presentation to the Senate, their Third Annual Report on the Museum of Archaeology and of Ethnology.

The former Curator, Baron A. von Hügel, was given an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science on May 19.

On June 20, Mr L. C. G. Clarke, M.A. (Trinity Hall), was appointed Curator. His influence was felt immediately, and numerous improvements were made which will render the Museum more useful alike for research and instruction.

By the untimely death of Dr W. H. R. Rivers on June 4, not only has the University been deprived of a brilliant thinker, who was the first field ethnologist of his day and a stimulating teacher, but the Museum has lost a keenly interested benefactor.

That the routine work of the Museum was effectively carried on during the transitional period is due to the zeal of Mr H. F. Bird, as the Acting Curator was unable to spare much time from his teaching duties.

The Babington Gallery was opened to the public on February 7; in it African collections are exhibited, and also comparative collections of bull-roarers and churingas, and of primitive currency which were arranged by Mr Bird.

Dr Haddon has displayed examples of various local cultures in New Guinea in the cases along one side of the Andrews Gallery.

The late Curator has begun the arrangement of the Fiji collections in the Bevan Gallery.

Mr M. C. Burkitt has spent much time in arranging our very extensive stores of stone implements.

Dr Cyril Fox began early in December the rearrangement of the collections of Local Antiquities in order to facilitate the study of British archaeology by students taking Section B of the English Tripos.

Besides visits from a number of British archaeologists and ethnologists, Dr V. Christian, of Vienna, worked at the collections during July and August, and Dr Goldschmidt, of Berlin, inspected the mediaeval ivories. Visits were also paid by the Essex Archaeological Society, the Workers' Educational Association, and a class of students from Homerton College.

The more important additions to the collections are: The Cole-Ambrose Collection of local antiquities; ethnological specimens from Melanesia, from the executors of the late Dr Rivers; a large collection of miscellaneous antiquarian and other specimens from the executors of the late Mr Spencer Geo. Perceval; an interesting collection of ethnological specimens from West Africa, from Mr P. Amaury Talbot; over two hundred very valuable archaeological specimens from Sir C. Hercules Read, P.S.A. Mr W. E. Armstrong, M.A., of Sidney Sussex College, has given a large number of ethnological specimens collected by himself in British New Guinea.

Library. Miss E. S. Fegan, the Honorary Librarian of the Museum, has continued her valuable services in arranging and cataloguing the books and pamphlets. The most important additions are the ethnological portion of the Library of the late Dr Rivers, given by his executors; various sets of publications on Egyptian antiquities from the Curator, and numerous books from Baron A. von Hügel, Sc.D.

Accounts. The amount received from the Financial Board was £575. A special donation of £40 from the Cambridge Antiquarian Society has been applied to the purchase of local antiquities. A very welcome legacy of £350 for the provision of exhibition cases from the late Edward Hopkinson, M.A. (Emmanuel College), D.Sc. London, M.P., has enabled numerous African specimens to be displayed in the Babington Gallery.

## APPENDIX I

LIST OF ACCESSIONS FROM 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 1922

### DONATIONS

- Armstrong, Mr W. K.*: Important ethnological collection "of weapons, dress, ornaments, basketry, fishing apparatus, spatulae, Ac., chiefly from the Massim District, British New Guinea, and shell currency new to science from Rossel Island, Louisiade Arch. (22. 1590—1861).
- Barcroft, Mr J.*: Coca leaves, Peru (22. 399).
- Beetleston, Mr C. J.* (through Mr R. Griffin): Set of monumental brass rubbings.
- Bonney, Professor T. G.*: Weapons and bull-roarers, Australia and Melanesia (22. 246—300).
- British School of Archaeology, Egypt*: Twenty-seven specimens of 1st Dynasty objects from Abydos, including a copper and four fine flint knives (22. 511—531a).
- Burkitt, Mr M. G.*: Sixteen models of Neolithic flint implements and pottery, chiefly from Austria (22.1144—1157); stone club, N. America (22. 217).
- Burton, Mr W. H.*: Flint scraper from the Devil's Dyke (22. 381).
- Cambridge Antiquarian Society*: Silver finger ring c 200 a.d. (22. 212); XIVth century dagger (22. 425); the Cole- Ambrose Collection, consisting of implements of Paleolithic and Neolithic Age, British Isles; a fine series of Bronze Age implements and weapons, mainly of local origin, including several figured in Sir John Evans' work on Ancient Bronze Implements of Great Britain; two Saxon iron battle axes, and weapons of medieval and later date; pottery including a rare handled beaker of Early Bronze Age from March; three cinerary urns and fragment of another, of Middle Bronze Age; a large Roman two-handled flagon and globular grain jar, Isleham Fen; specimens of other local pottery, together with a large collection of fragments; early local tokens; seven Roman bronze figurines; Roman and Saxon fibulae; a remarkable late Roman pewter tazza engraved with Christian symbols; a service of pewter, Isleham Fen (22. 534—894).
- Campbell, Hon. I.*: Persian dagger in sheath (22. 533).
- Clark, Capt. Aldford*: Sixteen specimens of Dodinga weapons, ornaments and household utensils from the borders of the Sudan and Uganda (22. 1239—1254).
- Clarke, Mr C. B. O.*: Portion of Dutch tile, c. 1635 (22. 1182).
- Clarke, Mr L. C. G.*: Fifteen specimens of pile cloth, three masks, cups, wooden fetish, Congo district (22. 437—450); seal with ivory handle (22. 503); two carved wooden fetishes and carved cup, Africa (22. 505—507); wooden club, British Guiana (22. 532); sixty-three specimens consisting of a large Neolithic implement, medieval jug, gold ring, bronze seal-top spoon, costrel, pincushion, England; weapons, ornaments, Ac., Tierra del Fuego, Cyprus, Egypt, Sandwich Islands, Tahiti, New Zealand and N.W. Coast of America (22. 901— 953 b); fifty-one specimens of weapons, dress, ornaments, Ac., from N. America, Brazil, New Caledonia, New Hebrides, Niue, E. Pacific, Australia, Celebes, Borneo; a Tridacna carving from skull-house W. Ysabel, Solomon Islands (22. 955—1001); eleven specimens from S. Africa, Pelew Islands, Easter Island, Sandwich Islands, Marquesas Islands (22. 1095—1105); Roman cinerary urn, Bedfordshire (22. 1143); thirteen specimens of scales, spinning wheel and dress from Europe, Africa, N.W. America, China, Marquesas Islands, Anchorite Island (22. 1160—1172); pair of large carved wooden book covers, Tibet (22. 1183); copper armorial shield c. 1350 (22. 1216); two socketed celts from an unpublished hoard, Clavering; three Neolithic axe-heads, Roman glass, and pottery of Bronze and Early Iron Age, British Isles; gold, silver and copper ornaments and tools, Peru; MSS. in lacquer case, Burma; round stone club, N. America; two bronze swords, one dagger, Palestine (22.1217—1238); MSS. bound in red leather, head of processional cross, carved wooden bowl, Abyssinia; Maori Stick God; bark cloth, Uganda; Roman pot, Great Chesterford (22. 1530—1535); twenty specimens, comprising shell adze-blades, combs, and knife of sting ray, Pelew Islands; stone money, pounder, and ornaments, Yap; woman's apron, Bechuanaland; socketed bronze celt, China; three Eskimo implements (22. 1539—1554); collection of Hint implements from England, France and Belgium (22. 1155—1189); arrow-heads and cowrie shell, Corea (22. 1864—1866); carved head of Osiride figure, Egypt (22. 1868).
- Coghlan, Mr T. A.*: Photographs of Australian aborigines.
- Cowles, Mr S. B.*: Lady's bouquet holder (22. 45); sampler pincushions (22. 225); clay pipe (22. 245); pantochronometer (22. 373); wooden case for clay pipe (22. 432); gold ring c. XVIIIth century (22. 900); gilt bouquet holder (22. 1184).
- Denmehy, Mr H. O.* (through Mr L. H. Greenwood): Ornamented skull of mixed Chang and Ao origin, taken by Headhunters. Naga Hills (22. 211).
- Duckworth, Dr W. L. II.*: Eleven Paleolithic implements, France (22. A 241—A 252).
- Earthy, Miss E. D.*: Sixteen specimens chiefly used at Initiation ceremonies of girls, Portuguese E. Africa (22. 413— 422); twenty-three ditto (22. 1186—1208).
- Egerton, Lord*: Five men's protectors, S. Rhodesia (22. 1537 a—e).
- Eumorfopoulos, Mr G.*: Two bronze spear-heads, China (22. 1180—1181).
- Evans, Mr I. H. N.*: Framed set of drawings of Chinese deities by a native artist.
- Gardiner, Professor J. S.*: XVIIIth century bottle, England; four earthenware vessels, Sudan (22. 1870—1871).
- Glover, Mr T. R.*: Two knives, Congo (22. 433—434).
- Goodwin, Mr A. J. H.*: Two carved paddles, S. Nigeria (22. 423—424).
- Haddon, Dr A. C.*: Forty-three specimens, consisting of part of bronze fibula, Lakenheath; ornaments, articles of dress, and pipes, Africa; ornaments and specimens of bead-work, N. America; bronze razor, bracelet, fibula and celt, Austria (22. 1—43); clay pot and fragments of pottery, Rhodesia (22. 242—243); fifteen bull-roarers from England, Ireland, Holland, Africa, America, Australia and Torres Straits (22. 382—396); fire piston, Perak (22. 400); thirty-six specimens, consisting of ju-ju jars, idol, pipes and ornaments, Africa; models of totem posts, pottery and beadwork, America; baskets, Sarawak; ornaments, British New Guinea; bag, New Zealand; knife and ornaments, Australia; portion of Tridacna carving from skull-house, Solomon Islands (22. 1059—1094); three packets of playing cards, N. Italy (22. 1209—1211).
- Haddon, Mr E. B.*: Four walking sticks, Uganda; grape shot and gun flint, Acre (22. 223—224); two ceremonial spears, Uganda (22. 401—402).
- Harris, Rt Hon. Leverton*: Bronze plaque with figures of four deities, India (22. 1862).
- Hobley, Mr C. W.*: Decorated gourd, Kenya Colony (22. 1536).
- Hodson, Mr A.*: Upper part of three wooden figures, Konso Tomb group, S. Abyssinia (22. 1538).
- Hook, Mr A. W.*: Fulani ceremonial dress and cape, Nigeria (22. 397).
- Horne, Dr G.*: Small collection of stone implements, Australia (22. 1257—1263).
- Hügel, Baroness A. von*: Whalebone club, Haida (22. 954).
- Hügel, Baron A. von*: Clay pipe, Ireland (22. 244); leather pouch, N. America (22. 431).
- Hutchinson, Rev. H. Neville*: Two photographs of models of Stonehenge (22. 411).
- Jenkinson, Mr E. J. H.*: Seven British and foreign coins (22. 1869).
- Jennings, Mr J.*: Early Cypriote bowl and 18th century nutmeg grater (22. 898—9); woolwinder and pincushion, England; ivory fragment and limestone carving, Egypt (22. 1173-1174).
- Joyce, Mr T. A.*: Game snare, Uganda (22. 412); black pottery pachecha, Peru (22. 502).
- Kay, Mr W. J.*: Monumental brass rubbing.
- Laurance, Major A.*: Wooden spear straightener, Somaliland (22. 504).
- Lawrence, Major H.*: Leather belt, with brass decorations and fittings complete, Baluchistan (22. 1185).
- Le Lacheur, Mr W. J.*: Nine specimens of pottery, Costa Rica (22. 333—341).

- Legge, Mr C. W.*: Split socketed iron spear-head, and pottery (Early Iron Age and Saxon), Foxton (22. 408—410).
- Marr, Professor J. E.*: Clay pipes, ana fragments of medieval cup (22. 403—407).
- Martin, Mr R. H.*: Large boomerang, C. Australia (22. 1872).
- Nance, Mr R. Morton*: Three model killicks, Federated Malay States and Japan (22. 426—428); one ditto, Cornwall; one ditto, Brazil; three model anchors, China (22. 497—501).
- Nell, Dr A.*: Copy of antique Sinhalese water clock, Ceylon (22. 398).
- Otago University Museum*: Eighteen stone adzes from Chatham Island and New Zealand (22. 1482—1499).
- Pearce, Mr R.*: Specimens of tin and “nigerite,” Nigeria (22. 218—222).
- Perceval, the late Mr Spencer George*: Collection of Archaeological and Ethnological specimens (22. 46—210); (22. 213—216); (22. 226—233); (22. 342—370).
- Powell, Mr G. W.*: Service book, Abyssinia (22. 1175).
- Prime Bros., Messrs*: Ancient nails and pottery, Cambridge (22. 1176—1179).
- Raphael, Mr O.*: Roman bowl, Kent (22. 896).
- Read, Sir C. Hercules*: Three ear-drops of nephrite, New Zealand (22. 1212—1214); basalt mere, New Zealand; obsidian core, Mexico; medieval tile, Yorks.; four reproductions of antique gems by Tassi, British Isles; bronze celts from England, Ireland, Denmark, France, and India; stone implements from British Isles, Swiss Lakes, Italy, France, India, Egypt and Aegean localities; Saxon bead necklace; Roman pottery; bronze razors, Denmark; bronze boss of shield, Etruscan; bone pins, styli, bronze mirrors, bow-pullers, wheels of votive chariots, and numerous specimens of bronze and iron weapons and other objects, including four coloured glass bowls (22. 1265—1481).
- Redfern, Mr W. B.*: Four wooden moulds for ginger bread and pastry (22. 493—496); collection of arrow-heads, Virginia (22. 508-510).
- Reed, Mrs*: Lacquer tray, Burma (22. 44).
- Rivers, Executors of the late Dr*: Fifty specimens of weapons, clothing, ornaments, implements, &c., from Africa, Federated Malay States, British New Guinea and Fiji (22. 451—492).
- Roscoe, Rev. J.*: Primitive currency and ornaments, Uganda Protectorate (22. 234—241).
- Rye, Mr H. A.* (through the Fitzwilliam Museum): Set of monumental brass rubbings.
- St John, Rev. J. S.*: Set of monumental brass rubbings.
- Sanderson, Dr M.*: War tails and amulets, Africa (22. 374—380); twenty-two specimens of weapons, &c., from Nyasaland, Kenya Colony, Australia and New Guinea (22. 1510—1529); wooden head covered with gesso, Burma (22. 1863).
- Sandwich, Earl of*: Two Maori trumpets, New Zealand, brought back by Capt. Cook (22. 435—436).
- Sayle, Mr C.*: Arrow-head, Wisconsin, U.S.A. (22. 1215) p two fragments of glass from Rome and Thebes (22. 1867).
- Seeley, Miss*: Necklace of small carnelian arrow-heads (22. 1264).
- Seligman, Professor C. G.*: Collection of stone clubs and geological specimens, British New Guinea (22. 301—332); spear-straightener and iron fish-hook, Africa (22. 429—430).
- Society of Antiquaries* (through Mr R. Griffin): Monumental brass rubbings.
- Stanley, Mr G. W.*: Monumental brass rubbings.
- Stannus, Dr*: Ten specimens of weapons, dress, d\*c., from Nyasaland and Central E. Africa (22. 1500—1509).
- Swayne, Mr J. C.*: Fifty-seven specimens of baskets and incised bamboo cylinders, Sarawak (22. 1003—1058).
- Talbot, Mr P. Amaury*: Forty-one ethnological specimens, Africa (22. 1106—1142), including an important group of objects belonging to a secret society, from S. Nigeria, and a series from the neighbourhood of Lake Chad.
- Yorke, Rev. A. C.*: Boxwood figure of begging friar, c. XIVth century (22. 371); sprint bone (22. 372).

#### DEPOSIT

*Clarke, Mr L. C. G.*: Two wooden clubs, Tonga (22 d. 1—2).

## APPENDIX II

### LIBRARY REPORT, 1922

During the Long Vacation of 1922 the Library received by the bequest of the late Dr W. H. R. Rivers 310 volumes dealing with all departments of Anthropology and Ethnology, a collection of dried plants from the Solomon Islands, and many of his negatives and photographs. Since September, 1922, Baron A. von Hügel presented 34 volumes, chiefly on Polynesia, the Curator presented 89 vols., mainly on Egypt, Dr Haddon presented 20 books and various pamphlets. Books were also received from Messrs J. Bruce, S. Cowles, I. H. N. Evans, and from the British Museum and the Madras Fisheries Bureau; pamphlets from Sir A. E. Shipley, Dr C. Fox, Mr M. C. Burkitt and the Royal Anthropological Institute.

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23 April 1923.

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