Report of the Board of Archaeological and Anthropological Studies

2 March 1925.

The Reader was absent on leave during the first four weeks of the Michaelmas Term, but he had arranged for Col. T. C. Hodson to give, during the whole of the Term, three lectures each week on the Social Anthropology of India: this course was attended by 9 students. The Reader began his course on Practical Ethnology on November 12, and lectured four times each week till the end of the Term. The course on the Races of Man was given in the Lent Term to 64 students of the Geographical and Anthropological Departments, the course on Practical Ethnology and instruction in Economic and Material Culture to 10 students. The Reader gave a course in the Easter Term to 5 students and held a conversation class for the four Tripos Students, all of whom passed the Tripos. Mr Armstrong gave courses of lectures with discussions on Social Anthropology and the Religions of Backward Peoples to 12 students and a conversation class one evening each week during the Michaelmas and Lent Terms. Mr M. C. Burkitt gave a course with demonstrations on Man in the Stone Age to 6 students during the Michaelmas and Lent Terms, as well as a practical course in the Lent Term.

Four students entered for the Anthropological Tripos, of whom one was placed in the First Class, two in the Second Class, and one in the Third Class. T. T. Barnard, B.A., King’s College, gained a Ph.D., and J. O. Stevens, Non-Collegiate, and H. D. Skinner, Christ’s College, a Research B.A. by Thesis, and N. Baks, St Catharine’s College, obtained a Diploma in Anthropology.

MUSEUM AND LIBRARY

In the Babington Hall, the Curator arranged specimens of ornaments from the Oasis of Siwa and from Algeria, and two hanging cases of sherds from the Sudan: Mr M. C. Burkitt put on view Dr Cunnington’s gift of stone implements from Siwa.

In the Maudslay Hall, Dr Cyril Fox continued the arrangement of local and other antiquities.

In the Andrews Gallery, Miss Wedgwood continued the arrangement of the New Guinea Collection, and the Curator arranged the Peruvian and Mexican pottery and Central and South American stone implements. Mrs Quiggin and Mrs Woods set out a teaching series from the Skeat Collection in the Lecture Room.

In the Bevan Hall, Baron A. von Hügel is continuing the arrangement of the Fiji Collections. The cases purchased from the special grant of £800 for the Melanesian Collection were finished at the end of December.

Mr M. C. Burkitt, Honorary Keeper of the Stone Implements, reports considerable activity in his section. A number of new specimens and collections have been received. The Rev. J. W. Gray presented his collection containing a splendid series from near Canterbury and the Thames Valley, and a very important series from East Anglia, etc., including the ‘Nayland Goat.’ Dr C. Willett Cunnington presented the very fine collection made by him in the Oasis of Siwa. These have been classified and arranged.

A valuable collection was given by Dr W. M. Tapp, LL.D., F.S.A., in December, but arrived too late in the year to be described here. It will be fully dealt with in the next Report.

The importance of the Museum to the Borough and neighbourhood is illustrated by frequent visits made by classes from local schools and societies, to whom demonstrations have been given. Visits have also been received from eminent archaeologists from different parts of Europe, America, etc., some of whom have spent two or three days working in the Museum.

LIBRARY. Miss E. S. Fegan, Honorary Librarian of the Museum, has continued her valuable services in arranging and cataloguing the books and pamphlets.

Mr Ralph Griffin, Honorary Keeper of the Monumental Brass Rubbings Collection, reports that during the year a substantial advance has been made in arranging this collection. Duplicates have been put aside and he suggests that these might now with advantage be offered to some other Museum as the nucleus of a collection to be formed there. As an example he cites the National Museum of Wales. He has been able to acquire during the year several collections made in the last century, some before 1850. It is very desirable to get as many of these as possible, as in them are often found rubbings of brasses which have been lost during restoration or have been dragged from their slabs and nailed to walls, a frequent source of further loss. The slabs were usually destroyed, so old rubbings showing indents often enable history to be recovered which has been destroyed with the slab. The complete list of known brasses in all counties, started by Mr Bird, has been completed, mainly from the MS. lists of Mr Mill Stephenson, F.S.A., of Gonville and Caius College, who most liberally put these at the disposal of Mr Griffin. The future student ought to be
duly grateful to Mr Stephenson, as without his help nothing satisfactory could have been done; he also has given numerous rubbings. Other donors have been Mr G. H. S. Bushnell, Downing College, of rubbings of brasses, mainly from Berks, and Mr Geoffrey Benson, St Catharine’s College, of rubbings, mainly from Bucks. Mr John A. Humphries, B.A., Trinity Hall, has been an invaluable assistant to Mr Griffin, and with Mr George De Fraine has done much in Mr Griffin’s absence in sorting out the new collections. Mr Humphries has also given many rubbings, including those of all the fine indents in Ely and Chichester cathedrals.

ACCOUNTS. The amount received from the Financial Board for the year (1 August 1923 to 31 July 1924) was £575, together with a special grant of £800 for cases for the Melanesian Collection. An additional grant of £75 was made to the University Board of Archaeological and Anthropological Studies, who have allocated £60 of this amount to the Museum Library for purposes of binding.

William Ridgeway, Chairman.
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APPENDIX I
List of Accessions from 1 January to 31 December 1924

DONATIONS

Bailey, Miss A. S.: String of wampum, and model of birch bark canoe (24. 737).
Barlow, Miss A. E. F.: Decorated club, Solomon Islands; weapons from the Pacific (24. 1256—1261).
Beck, Mr Horace: Amber bead, Bronze Age, Denmark (24. 889); bark cloth, Uganda (24. 951).
Beloit College, Wisconsin: Three native copper spearheads, Wisconsin (24. 903).
Biffin, Professor Sir B.: Specimens of food grains of Early Iron Age (24. 1306—1316).
Bonney, The Executors of the late Professor T. G.: Stone implements from Sandwich Islands, Australia, Tasmania, Sinai and Switzerland, fibulae of Early Iron Age; Anglo-Saxon bell-clasp (24. 654—671).
British School of Archaeology in Egypt: Bronze axe head, Syrian type from Qau-el-Kebir; fine slate palette from Badari, and other specimens (24. 944—950).
Cambridge Antiquarian Society: Fine decorated socketed axe, Hockwold, Norfolk (24. 627); pottery of late xvi and xvii c. dug up in Bridge Street, Cambridge (24. 744—750); fragments of Roman and Mediaeval pottery from same site (24. 866); ten Neolithic implements, Barton Mills (24. 446); fragments of pottery, Comberton (24. 1350 and 1353—1356).
Clarke, Mr L. C. G.: Stone implements, N.W. Coast of America; ancient pottery, Arizona; Mimbres Valley, New Mexico; Texas; Casas Grandes, Chihuahua, Mexico, and other Mexican sites; archaeological series excavated by donor at black and white pottery site, Hawkuk, New Mexico; ethnographical series from modern Zuni Indians, New Mexico; series of stone implements, Texas; pottery from Salvador, Nicaragua and Costa Rica; two gold ornaments from Columbia; pottery from Peru; collection of stone implements from near Talhat, Chili; archaeological collection excavated by donor in 1923 at Kuchepan, New Mexico (24. 1—600); implements and worked stone, South Africa (24. 672); archaeological series of Neolithic, Eneolithic and Bronze Age, Portugal (24. 929—942), and from France, Caucasus, Ireland and China (24. 976—989 and 995); Late Neolithic chisel, Bottisham (24. 998); flint tools from East Anglia (24. 1093); ethnographical series, Siwa (24. 1115—1128); stone implements, Portugal (24. 1205—1207); bronze armlets, ear-rings, etc., Balkan types (24. 1217—1218); two bronze brooches, Ireland (24. 1297); socketed axe, Ireland (24. 1330); early pottery, China (24. 1332—1336); ovate implement, Warren Hill (24. 1359).
Clayden, Mr A. W.: Perforated stone from Toboland; stone implements, Gold Coast (24. 647—648).
Cobbett, Dr L.: Samian ware bowl, Cologne (24. 1327).
Coneybere, Rev. E.: Samian platter of Flavian Period (24. 894); bowl of Arretine ware, Barrington (24. 943).
Cowles, Mr S.: Bronze figurine, Pompeii (24. 631); Bronze Age urn, vase and fragments of another; and Roman fragments, Harston, Lincolnshire (24. 952—956).
Crossland, Dr Cyril: Ethnographical series from the Red Sea Province of the Sudan (24. 710—736).
Crawfoot, Mrs G.: Series of bronze and iron implements, Egypt (24. 920—921).
Culin, Professor Stewart: Six baskets from the Hupa Indians of California (24. 634—637).
Cunnington, Dr C. Willett: An important collection of stone implements from the Oasis of Siwa (24. 1094—1114).
Curie, Mr Alex C.: Fragments of Early Iron Age pottery, excavated by donor on Traprain Law (24. 653).
Department of Antiquities, Jerusalem: Archaeological series from Palestine of Early, Middle and Late Bronze Age—Early Iron Age (Philistine)—Israelite and later (24. 797—877).
Dorset County Museum: Canerary urn and two food vessels, Bronze Age (24. 896—898).
Duncan, Executors of the late C. M.: Ethnographical series, Nyasaland, boomerangs, Australia (24. 962—975 and 1218).
Education Department of Sudan: Series of sherds from sites in Dongola, Kordofan, Haifa, etc. (24. 878—885).
Egypt Exploration Society: Series of bronze implements, beads, and moulds for making beads, Tel-el-Amarna (24. 906—910).
Evans, Mr I. H. N.: Ethnographical series from Siam, Burma, China, B.N. Borneo (24. 1138—1158); votive tablets and alabaster head of Buddha, Burma (24. 1219—1220); collection of silver and jade ornaments, South China; model of birch bark canoe, America; samples of tapa, Pacific (24. 1219—1220).
Excavated at Guilden Morden by Dr Fox and Mr Lethbridge: A series of Roman pottery vessels, and bronze and iron objects, including an unusually fine La Tène III Tazza (24. 1262—1288).


Fox, Dr Cyril: Fragments of bas relief, fresco, faience, glass and ivory, Tell-el Amarna (24. 1305—1307).

Fox, Dr Cyril and Mr F. B. Macrae: Fragments of pottery, Comberton (24. 1328).

Gautrey, Mr Horace: Iron fetter and chains, Cottenham (24. 1213).

Girtin, Mr T.: Six gold fish-hooks, Clicioe River, Columbia (24. 996).

Gray, Rev. W.: Large and important collection of stone implements, including many exceptional specimens (24. 1000—1092).

Green, Mr F.: Pottery fragments, Canary Islands (24. 628).

Haddon, Dr A. C.: Pottery fragments from Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, etc. (24. 601—626); gold llama from Peru (24. 632); series of baskets from North America (24. 673—690); stone implements from Australia (24. 1159—1160); lump of chalk with mark of antlers' pick from near Worthing (24.1360); Mescal ' buttons,' Mexico (24. 632). (24. 1159—1160); lump of chalk with mark of antlers’ pick from near Worthing (24.1360); Mescal • buttons,' Mexico (24. 632). (24. 1159—1160); lump of chalk with mark of antlers’ pick from near Worthing (24.1360); Mescal ‘ buttons,' Mexico (24. 632).

Haley, Executors of Miss: Haley’s orrery and chart (24. 697).

Hemp, Mr W. T.: Globular pot, wheel made, Early Iron Age, Wroxeter (24. 630).


Jackson, Mr H.: Five hats and umbrella, Southern Shan States (24. 1251—1254).

Jenkinson, the late Mr F. J. H.: Two fragments of pottery, Canary Islands (24. 629); pottery and coins found locally (24. 738—747).

Jennings, Mr C. R.: Neolithic scrapers, awls, etc., Cavenham (24. 997).

Jennings, Mr J.: Bronze pendant, Roman (24. 1296); six bone and chipped flint objects, said to have come from near Torquay (24. 1358).

Jessen, Mr T.: Glass balls, pocket scales XVIII century, small enamelled brooch XVII century (24. 706—708); playing cards from Transvaal, two large pocket knives (24. 1291—1292).


Lloyd Jones, Dr E.: Flanged axe, Orwell; gold coin, Histon; shallow pottery bowl, Barnwell; stand of red pottery, Huntington Road (24. 702—705); fragments of early Mediaeval pottery, Comberton (24. 715); fragment of unglazed pottery and Roman fragments from same site (24. 1351 and 1352).

Lucas, Mr: Fragments of colour-coated beaker from burial, Shillington, Beds. (24. 752).

McLennan, Dr T. F.: Ethnographical series from the Bella Coola, British Columbia (24. 753—763).

Macrae, Mr F. B.: Pottery fragments, Stevenage (24.1357).

Matthews, Mr A. B.: Leather effigy of man—lkbu Woro—Munshi, North Province, Nigeria.

Mond, Mr Robert: Dah, with elaborately carved ivory handle and sheath (24. 895).

Murray, Miss M. A.: Archaeological series, Malta; Bronze Age vessels, Minorca (24. 890—893); fragment of pottery, Vinca, Serbia (24. 957—959); fragments of bones and teeth, Grotte de Spy; flakeL etc. from Furfooz, and eight stone implements from Spiennes, Belgium (24. 1208—1210).

Nance, Mr B. Morton: Six models of killicks from Persian Gulf, Maldives, Cornwall, etc. (24. 695).

Orlando, Miss K.: Two Hopi rabbit sticks, Arizona (24. 691).

Peck, Mr E. S.: Six specimens of narcotic drugs (24.696).

Porter, Mr N. Tealton: Grain pounder, Neufchâtel; stone axe and jade adzehead, New Zealand; small green glazed pot, London; small black glazed bowl, Alexandria; Roman coin, Cranitchester; shell axe, Barbados; Mediaeval key and two Scotch Islands pots (24. 638—646).

Prorok, Count dc: Punic cinerary urn with cover; bead and amulet, Carthage (24. 795 and 796).


Raphael, Mr Oscar: Archaeological collection including winged bronze axe, Lakenheath, and other bronzes and pottery from this district; series from Swiss Lake Dwellings and Rhone Valley; series of Early Iron Age date, Guibiasco, Italy; and a series, Petra, Arabia (24. 766—794).

Reed, Dr Cowper: Chalcedony implements, etc., probably of Palaeolithic Age, Victoria Falls, Zambesi; Bushman pigment from Caledon River; old native millstone and quartz and chalcedony tools, etc., from near Bulawayo (24. 1318—1325).

Rigg, Mr Gilbert: Grooved axehead, New South Wales (24. 699).

Seligman, Professor C. G.: Steatite bowl and wooden hair comb, Ababde, Sudan (24. 887—888); bronze sword, China (24. 1290).


Tapp, Dr W. M.: Bronze implements from Ireland, Brittany, Kent, etc. (24. 1298—1304).

Todd, Mr A. E.: Bottom of Roman pot, Histon (24. 652); Roman coin, Histon (24. 1317).

Wayland, Mr J. E.: Collection of stone implements, Uganda (24. 1361).

Wisbeach Museum: Fishing lines and bundle of gut, N.W. Coast of America; Mediaeval tile (24. 1214—1215).


Wordsie, Mr James: Scrapers, bolas stones, arrowhead, etc., Patagonia (24. 899—902).

Zammit, Professor: Pottery fragments of Neolithic and Bronze Age from Hal Tarxien and Bahrija, Malta (24. 1338—1349).

DEPOSITS

Clare College, The Master and Fellows of: Three fine Anglo-Saxon cinerary urns from Eastern Counties, Roman pottery from Colchester and Deal; fragments of Mediaeval ware (24. d. 64—71).

Girton College, The Governing Council of: The very important archaeological collection from the Pagan Anglo-Saxon cemetery at Girton, including a number of fine pottery urns, beads and other ornaments, and a small but important series of Roman Date (24. d. 1—63).

Trinity College, The Master and Fellows of: A series of Maori cloaks, New Zealand, Tapa, Otabeite, etc., collected by Captain Cook (24. iv. 80—95).


Wildin, Dr Arthur: Flint knife from El Amrah, Egypt (24. d. 96).

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APPENDIX II

LIBRARY REPORT FOR 1924

Books and pamphlets have been received from Mr H. H. Brindley, Messrs E. J. Burrow and Co., Mr S. R. Cowles, Mr I. H. N. Evans, Sir J. G. Frazer, Mr R. Griffin, Dr Haddon, Mr T. Jesson, Macmillan and Co., Mr D. MacRitchie, Prof. J. E. Marr, Mr J. Pierpont Morgan, Rev. A. C. Moule, Dr Palmer, Dr Radin, Sir William Ridgeway, Count Eric von Rosen, Dr J. C. Salas, Mr A. R. Thorne, The Union of S. Africa, the Curator, and the Librarian, a total of 46 volumes and 9 pamphlets, but this does not include the books added to the Department by purchase, nor the journals received through the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, some 70 items.

Journals have been presented by Dr Haddon, the Curator, and Baron A. von Hügel, and picture postcards and photographs by the Curator, Mr I. H. N. Evans, Dr Haddon and the University Library. These have been added to the Museum collection, which has been re-arranged and made available for students.

A list of the maps contained in the Museum has been made.

The Library has been slightly extended down the Keyser Hall, thus giving more room for readers and for Board Meetings.

14 February 1925.

ETHEL S. FEGAN, Hon. Librarian.