

Report of the Faculty Board of Archaeology and Anthropology

1 March 1927.

Academic
year 1925-26

(During the greater part of the period under review control of the Department was still vested in the Board of Archaeological and Anthropological Studies.)

During the year the Department has lost the two chief founders of the School of Archaeology and Anthropology in Cambridge by the death of Professor Sir William Ridgeway, Sc.D., F.B.A., while still serving as its chairman, and by the retirement of Dr A. C. Haddon, F.R.S., from the Readership in Ethnology, which he had held ever since its creation.

During the Michaelmas Term, besides classwork and discussions with students, the Reader gave two lectures each week on the Races of Man and two on Practical Ethnology; the latter were continued during the Lent Term, and he also gave one lecture each week on the Ethnology of Africa and Melanesia respectively; and during the Easter Term he gave four lectures on the Ethnology of Africa, and demonstrations in the Museum, and held conversation classes. The lectures on the Races of Man were attended by 69 students, including 53 students from the Department of Geography. For the courses specially designed for the Anthropological Tripos and Diploma there were 16 students, of whom 13 took the Tripos, 5 being placed in the First Class. Mr Armstrong gave courses of lectures with discussions during the Michaelmas and Lent Terms on Social Anthropology (two lectures) and Primitive Religions (one lecture) to a total of 34 students, and also held a conversation class on one evening each week. Mr Miles C. Burkitt gave his usual lectures and demonstrations with practical work on Prehistory in the Michaelmas and Lent Terms to a total of 22 students. He also gave a two-term course of Subsidiary Lectures on Early Archaeology to some 70 students taking the Ordinary Degree. Miss C. H. Wedgwood lectured twice each week during the Lent Term on Material Culture and Distribution and gave Museum demonstrations; she also measured and catalogued the human skulls belonging to the Department.

Valuable additions were made to the collection of human crania and casts.

Professor A. Radcliffe Brown has been appointed Professor of Anthropology in the University of Sydney, N.S.W., and Mr T. T. Barnard, Professor of Social Anthropology in the University of Cape Town. Mr T. F. McIlwraith has been appointed Associate Professor of Ethnology in the University of Toronto. Dr Cyril Fox has been appointed Director of the National Museum of Wales, Cardiff.

Mr A. B. Deacon is doing intensive field-work in Malekula, New Hebrides, and Mr H. A. Stayt is engaged in field-work in Sociology in South Africa.

Mr C. B. Humphreys published *The Southern New Hebrides: an ethnological record*.

MUSEUM AND LIBRARY

In the Bevan Hall the Curator has continued the arrangement of the Melanesian and Polynesian Year 1926 collections.

In the Maudslay Hall Miss O'Reilly has nearly finished the re-arrangement of the Romano-British collections; all the specimens have been cleaned and remounted. A number of objects of the late Saxon and Viking Periods has been arranged in a window-case by Mr Lethbridge and Miss O'Reilly. Four hanging cases have been made in the Museum and filled with beads of the Anglo-Saxon Period, classified and chosen by Mr Horace Beck, F.S.A. They have been hung on the window-splays near the cases containing the Anglo-Saxon collections; a similar case has been also set up containing a series of fragments of bone combs from the cemeteries at Girton College and St John's Cricket Field. The Curator with the aid of Mr E. G. Benson has begun the arrangement of the Mediaeval collections.

Mr M. C. Burkitt, Honorary Keeper of the Stone Implements, reports the addition of a number of interesting specimens to the collections under his charge. The Museum is especially indebted to the Curator for the important Dolmen Age objects from Portugal and Brittany; there have also been gifts of English pygmy implements from the Pennine region presented by Mr F. Buckley. Additions to our Tasmanian, Danish and Nigerian collections have been made and a type series of prehistoric pottery from Thessaly and Macedonia has been arranged in a show-case. As will be seen from the Appendix there are many further specimens from interesting localities other than those just mentioned. The congestion in the department has become acute and in many cases glass-topped drawers in which specimens should be placed on show have had to be retained as store-cases, objects being packed almost solid. Further expansion will undoubtedly be aided when the African stone collections are removed from the Andrews Gallery and placed in the new show-case in the Babington Hall. The Honorary Keeper would like to draw the attention of the University to the fact that even with this extra case available there is none too much space to spare, considering the number of important specimens which are being presented to the Museum.

A number of important gifts has been received, among others (1) a magnificent Haida Indian totem-pole 45 feet high and a Kwakiutl Indian house-pole in the form of a grizzly bear from

Dr Glaisher, F.R.S., (2) a collection of objects illustrating oriental archery from the executors of the late Captain H. E. Laver, (3) a further series of objects connected with various native initiation rites in Portuguese East Africa from Miss D. Earthy, (4) the Baron von Hügel's Tongan collection, which was purchased and presented by some friends of the Museum, (5) the remaining parts of his collection which were formerly on deposit and have now been presented by him, (6) the late Professor Sir William Ridgeway's bequest of his very extensive ethnographical and archaeological collections, which will very considerably strengthen the various sections of the Museum. Numbers 4, 5 and 6 were received at the Museum too late to be registered during the past year and the descriptions of these collections will therefore appear in the next report.

The Museum was represented at the excavation, shared with Professor Kozłowski, at Niezwiska in Poland, by R. W. Hutchinson, M.A., St John's College, and Mr Jocelyn Preston during August and September. Unfortunately none of the specimens collected have yet reached the Museum.

The importance of the Museum to the Borough and neighbourhood is illustrated by visits made by members of local societies and classes from local schools and summer schools, etc., to which demonstrations have been given. Visits have also been received from eminent archaeologists and ethnologists from different parts of the world; some of these 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 Collection of Monumental Brass Rubbings, reports that during the year the arranging of the collection has been completed and all duplicates have been presented, leave first having been obtained from all the authorities concerned, to the National Museum of Wales. A suitable acknowledgement has been received from Dr Cyril Fox (Director of the National Museum of Wales).

Mr Mill Stephenson's great list of brasses was published in the autumn of 1926, so it has been possible to use it to make a complete register showing those brasses of which we have rubbings and those of which rubbings are wanted.

Our list of wants has been very much diminished by the energies of Mr Ruck, Mr Bushnell and Mr Benson. In the Long Vacation Mr Humphries and Mr Ruck got many fine rubbings in Gloucestershire. A list of rubbings which are still wanted is at the disposal of anyone who is inclined to help to fill the gaps.

The collection has been much improved by careful patching of the older rubbings for which we have to thank Mr de Fraine and other kind assistants who put in much of their spare time in giving this useful aid.

Accounts. The amount received from the Financial Board for the year was £575. The balance of last year's grant, £26. 17s. 0d., brought forward has been expended by the Librarian in binding. On the advice of the Government Auditor, it has been decided in future to merge the Museum and Faculty Board accounts. The Balance Sheet will now appear in the *Reporter* under the heading, "Accounts of the Board of the Faculty of Archaeology and Anthropology."

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APPENDIX I

List of Accessions from 1 January to 31 December 1926

Abel, Mr H. W.: Two skirts, British New Guinea (26. 291).
Arnholt, Mr A.: Pygmy implements, Vedbaek, Denmark (26. 99).
Beasley, Mr H. G.: Wooden halberd-head cover, China (26. 246).
Beck, Mr H.: Beads, Anglo-Saxon Period, Kent (26. 146—147).
British School at Jerusalem, Council of: Sidescrapers, discs, flakes, etc., Zouttiyeh, Galilee, Palestine (26. 142).
Buckley, Mr F.: Pygmy implements, Yorkshire (26. 104—107).
Burgess, Mr: Grave-group, Roman Period, Linton, Cambs. (26. 494).

DONATIONS

Cambridge Antiquarian Society: Flint dagger, West Row 290—Fen, Suffolk (26. 148); bronze socketed axe, Hockwold, Norfolk (26. 244); grave-furniture from the Anglo-Saxon cemetery excavated for the Society by Mr T. C. Lethbridge at Burwell, Cam ha. (26. 253—276); bronze key, Roman Period, Bottisham, Cambs. (26. 485); bronze seal. Mediaeval, Newmarket, Cambs. (26. 546); carved wooden angel, ornament from a roof, local (26. 600).
Cawdor, The Bari: Silver ear-plug, Abor, Tibet (26. 224).
Clarke, Ben. J. G.: Beads, Anglo-Saxon Period, Little Wilbraham, Cambs. (26. 245); Lat inonoy, Siam (26. 616).
Clarke, Mr L. C. G.: Socketed axe, Bronze Age, Lincolnshire; pottery, figurine, beads and an uncut emerald, Lake Guatataba, South America; pot and pottery figurine, Mexico

- (26. 28—51); six Lower Palaeolithic tools, Azerat, Dordogne (26. 102); stone implements, Asia Minor; stone tools, pottery, etc., from dolmens; axes and bronze pins, Bronze Age; bracelets and two pots, Iron Age, Morbihan, Brittany (26. 108—139); two carved clubs, Tonga (26. 184—188); two celts, pygmy flint and obsidian tools, Corsica (26. 278); pot, Romano-British, Hockwold, Norfolk (26. 280); gilded bronze boss, Scandinavia (26. 499); Lapp knife with bone sheath, Sweden (26. 506); hammer-axe, Styria; polished celts, chipped tools, grinding-stone, obsidian implements, etc., Hakodate, Japan; bronze socketed axe, China; two decorated pots and numerous sherds, Bronze Age, Minorca (26. 519—542); chipped celt, Neolithic, La Geraudiere, France (26. 544); seal, nineteenth century, England (26. 547); carved wooden angel, Mediaeval, Mildenhall, Suffolk; stone figurine, bronze weapons, brooches and plaque, Corsica (26. 601—605); quern stone, Minorca (26. 615); two pieces of gold ring currency, Egypt; early coins from India, Olbia, Rome, Latium, Gaul, Germany, and England; Hani Furi Kin, Japan; half-daler, Sweden; kopecks, sixteenth to nineteenth century, Russia (26. 670—702).
- Cobbett, Dr L.*: Two potsherds and fragment of skull, Anglo-Saxon Period, Little Wilbraham, Cambs. (26. 241).
- Conybeare, Rev. E.*: Bronze seal and ring, Mediaeval, Barrington, Cambs. (26. 497—498).
- Cooper, Mr J. Forster*: Flakes and rough tools, Weybourne, Norfolk (26. 277).
- Cowles, Mr S.*: Two brass badges, Cambridge (26. 505); gold ring, ? France (26. 507).
- Cuttle, Mr W. L.*: Pottery fragments, Macedonia (26. 334—336).
- David, Professor Sir T. W. Edgeworth*: Four stone tools, Tasmania (26. 98).
- Dorling, Rev. E. E.*: Two greenstone axes, Palestine; wooden haircomb and knife in leather sheath, Portuguese East Africa (26. 52—54).
- Duckworth, Dr W. L. H.*: Knuckle-duster of buffalo-horn, India (26. 247).
- Dunn, Mr W.*: Flat four-sided stone, U.S.A. (26. 250).
- Earthy, Miss D.*: Valuable ethnographical collection, Portuguese East Africa (26. 293—318; 26. 592; 26. 594—599; 26. 608—613).
- Egypt Exploration Society*: Obsidian knife (26. 543); beads of various materials and four pottery ear-plugs, Abydos (26. 548—551).
- Glaisher, Dr*: Totem-pole, Haida Indian, Queen Charlotte Island; house-pole, representing grizzly bear, British Columbia (26. 225—226).
- Goddard, Mr*: Key of Spinning-House, Cambridge (26. 242).
- Gourlay, Mr W. Balfour*: Fragments from a vitrified fort, Scotland (26. 500).
- Guillemard Dr*: Decorated basket, Gilolo, Moluccas (26. 249); wooden club, New Hebrides (26. 593).
- Haddon, Dr A. C.*: Forehead band, Wunawuri, Espiritu Santo (26. 72); stone objects, Bahrambur; chert flakes and pottery fragments, Uganda; stone and flint implements, Australia; flint arrowheads, Fayum, Egypt; arrowheads, Wisconsin; javelin heads, etc., America (26. 189—196); ethnological specimens from Africa, America, Australia, New Guinea, Celebes, Andaman Islands and Japan (26. 562—589).
- Hornblower, Mr G.*: Dervish hand-drum and fragment of incised glass, Egypt (26. 53—54).
- Hornell, Mr J.*: Shell coronet, Tahiti; model of canoe, Tahiti; string bag, Panama; pottery fragments, Gorgona Island, Colombia (26. 57—71).
- Hügel, Baron A. von*: Antler pick, Cambridge (26. 103).
- Hurry, Dr J. B.*: Valuable collection of African ethnographical specimens, chiefly from the Congo district (26. 73—97).
- Hutchinson, Mr R. W.*: Numerous pottery fragments, Neolithic, Bronze Age and later, Macedonia (26. 319—333).
- Jeffreys, Mr M. D. W.*: Stone implements, Nigeria (26. 101).
- Laver, The Executors of the late Captain H. E.*: A collection of objects illustrating Oriental, especially Chinese, archery; bows, China, Corea, Turkey, Australia; arrows, China, the Amazon, Melanesia, England; other implements connected with archery, China, Corea, Turkey, Borneo, Bankok, Malay States; archers' rings, jade and other materials, China (26. 337—484).
- Lethbridge, Mr T. C.*: Flint awl, etc., Little Wilbraham, Cambs. (26. 140); pot, Romano-British, River Cam (26. 279); beaker, Bronze Age, Ardnamurchan, N.B.; pottery fragments, Anglo-Saxon Period, Waterbeach, Cambs. (26. 502—504).
- Lloyd-Jones, Dr E.*: Fragment of beaker, Bronze Age; pottery fragments, Romano-British, Barton Mills, Suffolk (26. 486—493).
- MacArthur, Mrs*: Totonac pottery head of smiling boy; saucer and bowl, pottery spindle-whorl and beads; two spearheads, one obsidian, and shell necklace, Mexico, Central America (26. 663—669).
- Martin, Dr*: Adze-head, Arunta tribe, Oodnata, Central Australia (26. 143).
- Maudslay, Dr A.*: Valuable series of beads, pendants, figurines, etc., of jade and other materials, Mexico, Central America (26. 618—662).
- Minns, Dr E. H.*: Beads and pendants, Kerch (26. 508—518); combined "D6ntse" and "Gr6ben," form of distaff, Russia (26. 614).
- Museum of Classical Archaeology*: Collection of pottery fragments, Neolithic, Thessaly (26. 150—183).
- Nance, Mr R. Morton*: Twenty-seven models of killicks (26. 1—27).
- Petre, Mr T.*: Flakes, endscrapers, etc., Emvich, Galilee, Palestine (26. 141).
- Porter, Mr T. N.*: Flint implements, coins, etc., Chasleton, Oxfordshire (26. 545).
- Preston, Mr J.*: Fragments of pottery, tesserae, etc., Sorrento, Italy (26. 234—238).
- Richards, Mr*: Chank shell disc and red pot, Odugattur, India (26. 197—198).
- Ridgeway, The late Professor Sir William*: Wire snare for hares, old-fashioned rat-trap and mole-trap, Cambs. (26. 227—229); pot, Romano-British, Cherryhinton, Cambs. (26. 251).
- Rogers, Dr G. F.*: Brass pots, bell, incense-burner and ornamented conch, Tibet (26. 217—223).
- Scupham, Major*: Ngoma drum, two axes with handles, axe-handle and two milking pots, Tanganyika (26. 230—234); dance drum, Tanganyika (26. 243).
- Seligman, Professor C. G.*: Circular game-trap, Gold Coast (26. 248).
- Seltman, Mr C. T.*: Two bronze bracelets, Olympia; stone bead, Crete (26. 606—607).
- Sewell, Mr R.*: Beads of various materials, dishes, spindle-whorls, fragmentary plaque and fragmentary figurines of pottery, Krishna River, India; clay impressions of seals and fragments of marble, Kistna District, India; fragments of tiles, Vijayanagar, India; soapstone images, W. Dekkan; two pottery bowls, Bellary, India; beads, Godavari River, India (26. 199—216).
- Smith, Dr G. C. Moore*: Election flags and banners, Cambridgeshire (26. 281—289).
- Stone, Mr C. T.*: Flint flakes, scrapers, etc., Brent Moor, South Devon (26. 149).
- Tebbutt, Mr C.*: Part of pot, Romano-British, Colne, Hunts. (26. 496).
- Terry, Mr Michael*: Grinding stone, Western Australia (26. 591).
- Todd, Mr A. E.*: Pottery fragments, Mediaeval, Histon, Cambs. (26. 501).
- Turner, Miss*: Handle of jug, Mediaeval, Girton, Cambs. (26. 252).
- Woodforde, Mr C.*: Two coins, Roman Period, near Baldock, Herts. (26. 495).
- Purchased*: Two skulls, Massim, British New Guinea (26. 292—293); lime spatula of wood, Massim District, British New Guinea (26. 590).
- By exchange with Major W. Peer Groves*: Pottery fragments from dolmens, Japan (26. 552—561).

DEPOSITS

Folklore Society: Painted metal frame with small pendant, ? South Germany; charm of horn and Chinese cash, China; good luck purses, To Pao, China (26. d. 3—7).

Hornell, Mr J.: Gold frog, Talamanca, Chiriqui, Panama; shell coronet, Tahiti (26. d. 1—2).

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APPENDIX II

LIBRARY REPORT FOR 1926

During 1926 the balance of the special grant for binding has been expended, to the improvement of the appearance of the Library and of ease in handling journals. But large arrears of binding still remain.

Some additional space for books has been obtained by shelving under two of the windows in the Keyser Hall.

Books and pamphlets have been received from the Ceylon Secretariat, the Frankfurter Gesellschaft fur Anthropologie, etc., the Laver Bequest, the Cambridge Archaeological Club, Messrs

E. A. B. Barnard, E. M. Beloe, M. C. Burkitt, the Curator, Professor V. Correia, Dr Cranage, R. Griffin, Dr A. C. Haddon, T. C. Hodson, T. A. Joyce, Dr G. Landtman, Dr J. Pierpont Morgan,

F. J. Sebley, L. F. Taylor. The Ridgeway Bequest will be dealt with in next year's Report.

E. S. Fegan, *Hon. Librarian.*

17 February 1927.