

University of Cambridge

Report of the Board of Archaeological and Anthropological Studies on the Museum of Archaeology and of Ethnology for the year 1921

MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND OF ETHNOLOGY,
10 March 1922.

The BOARD OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND ANTHROPOLOGICAL STUDIES beg leave to present to the Vice-Chancellor for presentation to the Senate, their Second Annual Report on the Museum of Archaeology and of Ethnology.

The most important event of the year has been the resignation of the Curator, owing to ill-health. Baron A. von Hügel intimated on June 14 his wish to retire on December 31 (*Reporter*, August 12, p. 1274). The Board of Archaeological and Anthropological Studies expressed at their meeting on July 21 their great regret at the resignation of the Curator, who had held that appointment since December 1883, and placed on record their deep sense of his services, not only to the University, but also to the general advancement of Archaeology and of Ethnology.

All those who are acquainted with the history of the Museum are aware of the zeal, ability, and self-sacrifice which mark the great work accomplished by the Curator in amassing and registering specimens, in collecting the funds for a new building, in planning the building, and in the very laborious work of transferring the collections to the new Museum. The Curator has constantly made presents of large numbers of interesting and valuable specimens to the Museum, and by a generous and opportune gift of money from himself and the Baroness he enabled the last addition to the Museum buildings to be completed just before the war began. Our very valuable and instructive archaeological, antiquarian, and ethnological collections, and the beautiful building in which they are now housed constitute a lasting monument to the Curator. The Board hope that, being entirely relieved from all administrative duties, he may be able to complete his monograph on the unrivalled collections from Fiji in the Museum.

At the request of the Board, the Vice-Chancellor appointed Dr Haddon Deputy-Curator till December 31 (*Reporter*, August 12, p. 1274).

The re-arrangements mentioned in the last Report have been continued. Thanks to the labours of Professor Chadwick, Miss Kershaw, and others, the specimens of the Iron Age and later periods have been installed chronologically, and are now adequately provided with temporary labels. Mr Burkitt has arranged the collection of ancient and modern stone implements. Mr Green is still engaged upon the Egyptian Department.

Col. F. Hayter has reduced to good order the collections from Australia, and has displayed a selection of them in the Australian case in the Bevan Hall. Mr Bird has installed a special collection of primitive currency in an upright case in the Babington Hall. Mrs Quiggin has arranged in two cases the Captain Cook collection on loan from Trinity College. Mrs Noel Porter has rendered valuable assistance in making a card catalogue for the large collection of black-ware and other pottery from ancient Peru, presented by the British Museum, in cataloguing other specimens, and has completed a detailed and illustrated catalogue of the bronze implements in the Museum for the British Association Committee on the Distribution of Bronze Age Implements.

The new lecture room has proved very useful, and all instruction can now be given in the building, and the meetings of the Anthropological Club are also held there. The cases in this room have been utilised for the display of a comparative teaching collection.

The army hut has been found convenient for the storage of duplicates.

Now that many of the special collections are arranged and displayed, it is satisfactory to find that certain secondary schools are beginning to make use of the Museum for educational purposes.

LIBRARY. A part of the Keyser Gallery has been temporarily partitioned off to form an Ethnological Library, and thanks to the energy of Miss Fegan it forms a valuable and well-furnished adjunct to the Archaeological Library. Mr Ralph Griffin is still cataloguing and arranging the monumental brass rubbings.

The Board desire to thank Mr H. F. Bird, Mr Griffin, Mrs Quiggin, Mrs Noel Porter, Miss Kershaw, Miss Fegan, and various students and others who have helped in the Museum, and Library.

ACCOUNTS. A Special Grant of £50 for cases in addition to the ordinary grant, which for the year 1921 amounted to the sum of £575, has been received from the Financial Board. A donation of £20 has been received from the Cambridge Antiquarian Society for the purchase of local antiquities.

The accounts of the Academic year ending September 30 have been audited and will be printed in the University Accounts.

The Board take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to Mr H. F. Bird for acting as Treasurer to the Museum Committee.

William Ridgeway, <i>Chairman.</i>	JOHN E. MARR.
Arthur Gray.	H. M. CHADWICK.
H. P. STOKES.	W. H. R. RIVERS.
C. S. MYERS.	EDWARD BULLOUGH.
J. W. L. GLAISHER.	M. C. BURKITT.
A. C. HADDON.	W. B. REDFERN.

APPENDIX I

LIST OF ACCESSIONS FROM 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 1921

DONATIONS

- Allix Collection* (presented by Mr Charles Allix, Swaffham Prior Manor): containing a large number of stone implements, pottery, and other archaeological specimens mainly local, some being from the tumuli in Hare Park; two Bronze Age urns, and the remains of a human skeleton from Swaffham; also numerous ethnological specimens (21. 65. 1—107).
- Anderson, Mr G. H. G. (I.C.S.):* Collection of monumental brass rubbings.
- Bevan, Professor A. A.:* eight finely caned clubs of various forms, including two inlaid with whale-ivory (from the Hügel Collection), Friendly Islands (21. 1196—1203).
- Bourne Collection* (through Baron A. von Hügel): ethnological specimens chiefly from the Solomon Islands (21. 565. 1—93).
- British Museum:* Ancient pottery from Peru, mainly black-ware (21. 680—782).
- Buckley, Messrs F. and A. Wright:* Yorkshire microliths (21. 561).
- Cambridge Antiquarian Society:* Carved four-sided capital, c. IV. cent.; Pewter plates.
- Carter, Miss:* Bone toggle, Eskimo (21. 568).
- Cave, Mr C. J. P.:* Ethnological specimens from Africa; Keys and padlock from Surrey (21. 261—267).
- Chatterji, Mr K. P.:* Stone pestles and mortars from India (21. 1122—1124).
- Clark, Mr A. E.:* Assyrian clay tablet (21. 1125).
- Coicles, Mr H. E.:* Pocket sun-dial (21. 232).
- Davies, Mr R. (through Mr R. Griffin):* Valuable set of monumental brass rubbings (21. 564).
- Grabliam, Mr G. W.:* Model of papyrus boat, raft, *Ac. Abyssinia* (21. 292—295).
- Haddon, Dr A. C.:* Stone implements, pottery, and bones. All Canning's Cross and other Wiltshire localities (21. 142—231); Bead work, N. America (21. 296—300); selection of specimens from the Egyptian Exploration (21. 570—677); Stone implements, N. America (21. 1120—1121).
- Haddon, Mr E. B.:* Ethnological specimens from Uganda (21. 1107-1118).
- Harding, Mr S.:* Tatar and other weapons (21. 566, 16; 569, 1—3).
- Horne, Dr G.:* Collection of small stone implements from Victoria, Australia (21. 77—97); (through Dr A. C. Haddon); Collection of shells from Australian middens (21. 1152—1192).
- Hügel, Baroness A. von:* Haida bone figure and club (21. 567, 1 A 2).
- Hügel, Baron A', von:* Flint implements from Beer, Devonshire (21. 566, 1—15).
- Humphreys, Mr C. B.:* Ethnological specimens from Tanna, New Hebrides (21. 974—988).
- Hungarian National Museum, Budapest* (through Capt. L. W. G. Malcolm): a typological collection of prehistoric fragments, chiefly pottery, from Hungary (21. 1—52).
- Hurry, Dr J. B.:* Ethnological specimens from the Congo district (21. 994—1020).
- Ipswich Museum:* Ethnological specimens, chiefly from Kenya Colony, Africa (21. 786—962).
- Jennings, Mr J.:* Stand for Italian iron (21. 64).
- Jesson, Mr —:* Neolithic flint implement.
- Malcolm, Capt. L. W. G.:* Silver amulets, Hungary (21. 70—76); specimens of nuts, rubber, &c. from West Africa (21. 281—291).
- Miller, Major F. (through Prof. Lewis):* Babylonian brick with cuneiform inscription (21. 563).
- Moore, Mr C. B. (through Dr A. C. Haddon):* Shell hoe with handle attached, Florida (21. 562).
- Nance, Mr R. Morton;* Twenty models of killicks (21. 1132—1151).
- Nuttall, Mrs Z.:* Ornaments worn on All Saints' Day, Mexico (21. 258—9).
- Perceval, the late Mr Spencer George:* Collection of archaeological and ethnological specimens (21. 63,1—211; 21. 1022—1104).
- Prime Brothers, Messrs:* Jacobean iron screws (21. 233).
- Pryor, Mr W. M. (Marlborough Pryor Coll.):* Ancient stone and obsidian implements, pottery, figurines, chiefly from Mexico; local and other archaeological specimens (21. 234—257).
- Robinson, Rev. J. A.:* African fetishes, &c. (21. 268—280).
- Roscoe, Rev. J.:* Ruanda chief's tobacco pouch, C. Africa (21. 62).
- Seward, Professor A. C.:* Models of kayak and umyak; lamp and arrow-head, Greenland (21. 989—992).
- Waddell, Dr:* Two stone implements.
- Warren, Mr H. (through the kind offices of):* Typical collection from the flint implement factory, Penmaenmawr.
- Whibley, Mr L.:* Stone implements from Newfoundland; ethnological objects from Melanesia and Africa (21. 963—968).
- Wilson, Professor J.:* Ancient stone implements from Australia (21. 53—61).

BY PURCHASE

- . Ethnological collection from the Cameroons, collected by Capt. L. W. G. Malcolm (through Dr A. C. Haddon).

DEPOSIT COLLECTION *Ransom, Mr F.:*

- Three skulls, ethnological specimens, stone and bronze implements, &c.
- Burkitt, Mr M. C.:* A large number of flint implements.

APPENDIX II

LIBRARY REPORT, 1921

BOOKS

Gifts of books have been received from Messrs H. F. Bird, C. J. P. Cave, S. T. Cowles, W. Page, S. G. Perceval (through the Fitzwilliam Museum), F. J. Sebley, from the Baron A. von Hügel, and Dr J. B. Hurry.

PERIODICALS

Dr Haddon has presented long sets of 15 periodicals not hitherto in the Library, and several volumes of others to complete the Museum sets.

PAMPHLETS

The following authors have presented separate copies of their papers: Mr M. C. Burkitt, Dr Rivers. Dr Haddon has also presented 27 pamphlets by various authors.

ILLUSTRATIONS

Mr S. T. Cowles has presented picture post-cards and views.

CAMBRIDGE ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY

Eighteen books and pamphlets have been received through the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, among which are: Old plans of Cambridge, ed. by J. W. Clark and A. Gray, from the Master of Jesus College; S. C. Roberts' History of the Cambridge University Press, from the author; and 10 pamphlets of the late Sir Wm. St John Hope, from Lady Hope. Other donors were: Messrs H. W. Fincham, W. Gandy, and Dr Palmer.