

Additions to the Museum

From November 19th, 1903, to December 1st, 1904.

I. ARCHÆOLOGY.

(1). STONE IMPLEMENTS.

PALÆOLITHIC flint implements and fragments (total number, eighteen) found by the donor in the gravel-pit situated near Knowle Farm in the N.E. part of Savernake Park, and about half-a-mile from the Marlborough and Hungerford road.

Knowle Farm and its gravel pit are situated on an outlying deposit of the River Drift, and about three miles S. of the Kennet, one of the largest tributaries of the Thames. It comes well within the catchment basin of the Thames (See *Anthrop. Inst. Journ.*, xxxi, 1901, p. 310).

Presented by Mr. J. E. PRITCHARD, F.S.A.

Two Neolithic ground stone implements from Bundelkund, India; lengths $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins. and $3\frac{3}{8}$ ins. respectively.—Presented by Mr. H. W. SETON-KARR, 31, Lingfield Road, Wimbledon.

Stone Burnisher found on Ham Hill, Somerset, by the donor.—Presented by Mr. WALTER RAYMOND.

Finely-flaked Palæolithic chert scraper, and a hammerstone, picked up by the donor at Castle Neroche, 1903.

Found on the surface, midway between the summit of the Beacon and the plantation to the N. of the base of the Beacon.

Worked pebble, probably Neolithic, from shore of Backwater, Weymouth, 1898.—Presented by Mr. THOS. LESLIE, Taunton.

Two rough Palæolithic chert scrapers, found on the bank of a stream at Broadway, Somerset.—Presented by Mr. W. L. RADFORD, Ilminster.

Fine, polished stone celt, length $11\frac{1}{2}$ ins., found at Drakies, near Inverness.

Polished stone celt, length $6\frac{1}{4}$ ins., probably from Scotland.

Two Palæolithic flint implements, found in the valley of the Little Ouse, Norfolk.

Fine, polished granite ceremonial axe, marked "St. Vincent;" length $8\frac{3}{4}$ ins.

Ground stone implement, wedge-shaped, having a deep notch on each side at the broad butt-end; length $4\frac{3}{4}$ ins.; width at butt $3\frac{1}{4}$ ins. Obtained in September, 1827 by Mr. George Ross, at Berbice, British Guiana; found 4 ft. deep and about two miles from the shore of the Corentyn River.

Polished stone axe of Polynesian form, length $4\frac{3}{4}$ ins.; and another polished axe, length $3\frac{3}{4}$ ins.

Whetstone or burnisher, length $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins.—Presented by Miss ANDERSON, Sandbank, Argyllshire (per Mr. S. Lawrence, Taunton).

(2). OTHER ARCHÆOLOGICAL REMAINS.

Relics found during the Castle Neroche excavations in 1903; recorded in Mr. H. St. George Gray's paper in Vol. XLIX, *Proc. Som. Arch. Soc.*—Presented by Viscount PORTMAN, Patron of the Society.

Relics found during the Small Down Camp excavations in 1904; recorded in Mr. H. St. George Gray's paper in Vol. L, *Proc. Som. Arch. Soc.*—Presented by the Trustees, Messrs. EDWIN ALLEN and BOWRING.

Flint arrowhead of triangular form, with incurved base and barbs, but no tang. Found by the donor on the surface in an arable field on Creech Hill, near Bruton, February, 1904. (See *Proc. Som. Arch. Soc.*, Vol. XLVIII, i, 69 and Vol. XLIX, i, 56).

This form of arrowhead is considered to be the most highly-developed of the varieties, and this is probably therefore, of late Neolithic origin, although the form was doubtless still made in the earlier centuries of the Bronze Age, and even later still.

Presented by the Rev. F. W. WEAVER, F.S.A., Hon. Gen. Sec.

Fragment of Samian pottery found at Bowden, in the parish of Henstridge, Somerset, 1892.

Bronze (large percentage of tin), circular boss, or cap, 26 mm. diameter, of uncertain date ; and blade of an iron clasp-knife, probably only a century or two old. Found on the site of the Norman *motte*, known as "Balland's Castle," near Penselwood, June 1890.—Presented by Mr. GEORGE SWEETMAN, Wincanton.

Red earthenware pot, height 3½ins., with brown glaze inside and out, except on the foot externally ; the handle has been broken off. XVII Century.

Clay tobacco-pipe, stamped on heel "W. TAVNTON" (?) XVIII Century.

Two large pieces of ornamental glazed pottery ; and a boar's tusk.

All found in excavating for foundations for the Taunton Public Library, 1904.—Presented by the Rev. F. A. HOMER, Holway House.

Eight pieces of glazed earthenware and stoneware, *circa* XVIII Century.

Medal of Arthur, Duke of Wellington, struck to commemorate Waterloo. (Depth 20ft.)

Nuremburg token, late XVII Century ; and farthing of Charles II.

Found in excavating for foundations for the Taunton Free Public Library, 1904. (*Purchased*).

Bonding tile, 18ins. x 12ins., from the Roman Wall, Old Bailey, London.—Presented by Mr. EDWIN SLOPER, London.

Rim of a large glazed jar with date in yellow slip, "178—;" found with other fragments of XVIII Century glazed ware in digging some deep foundations at Messrs. Barnicott and Pearce's, Taunton.—Presented by Mr. R. BARNICOTT.

Thirteen fragments of encaustic tiles, said to be XVI Century, found under the external plastering at the w. end of the

Wadham aisle, Ilton Church, 1899. One bears the rose of the Wadhams.—Presented by the late Rev. R. B. POOLE, Ilton Vicarage.

Fragment of rim of a black Romano-British pot, and part of a belemnite which has the appearance of having been drilled and sharpened as if intended to be used as a spear-head. Found on the site of the New Pumping Station, Martock, 1904.—Presented by Mr. W. L. RADFORD, Ilminster.

Twenty fragments of pottery (Roman, Romano-British and Norman), found in a field near Keevil, Trowbridge, Wilts, where bronze objects and Roman and British coins have been found.—Presented by Rev. C. V. GODDARD, Baverstock.

II. ETHNOGRAPHY.

Japanese suit of armour, including helmet, consisting of oxidized steel plates joined by a blue fabric; also a carved wooden and painted mask of old Japanese man.

Japanese clock.

Leghorn lady's bonnet made in Italy. Made in a flat piece; and cut and shaped on a block in England. Date *circa* 1760; probable value at the period it was made, ten guineas.

Terra-cotta lamp, in form of a dolphin, with tail curved over to form a handle. A snail in the mouth of the dolphin forms the receptacle for the wick. Roman.

Terra-cotta lamp with handle; on base, five small circles enclosed within a circle. Roman.

Terra-cotta female head (half front view, cut vertically through the middle).

Pottery head with flowing hair, in form of a gargoyle.

Small, male head in clay, probably belonging to a statuette.—Deposited on loan by Mr. H. FRANKLIN, Taunton.

Portion of red terra-cotta female face; probably Roman.

Small terra-cotta lamp, Roman.

Large terra-cotta lamp, damaged; ornamented with Medusa head; inscription on bottom somewhat defaced. Roman.

Model canoe of birch-bark, N. American Indian.

Much worn skin cloak, N. American Indian.

Leather whip, the lashes having copper beads strung on them, N. American Indian.

Feather head-dress, N. American Indian.

A quantity of strung bead-work, consisting of flat, circular, white shell beads, probably from S. Africa, and perhaps from Bechuanaland.—Presented by Mr. H. FRANKLIN, Taunton.

Leather model of the tower of St. James' Church, Taunton, made by W. Weston (in glass shade).

Handcuffs from Grove Street Prison, Bath.

Two constable's staves or sticks, length $32\frac{1}{2}$ ins., consisting of tapering brass tubes enveloped in a black substance having the appearance of "patent leather." The upper ends unscrew to expose two telescopes.

Framed account on "Draught Oxen on the Sussex Downs."—Presented by Mr. C. TITE, Rosemount, Taunton.

One of the trumpets of the "Somerset Javelin Men," which was used by H. Giles Crowe of Wellington, who is seen holding this trumpet in the photograph of the Javelin Men in the Great Hall of the Castle.—Presented by Mr. ROBERT KNIGHT.

Helmet of the XVI Century, for many years associated with Barrington Court, Somerset.—Deposited by Mr. W. PARSONS PETERS (per Mr. H. R. Poole).

Fetter weight, inscribed on one side "G. R." with a crown ; on the other side "1719." It may probably have come from old Ilchester Gaol.—Presented by Mr. GEORGE GIBBS, Taunton.

English bit for a biting horse, XIX Century.

Powder horn, probably Early XIX Century.—Presented by Miss ANDERSON, Sandbank, Argyllshire.

Paraffin lamp with tin burner ; probably made by Young's Paraffin Light Co., which was one of the first firms to intro-

duce a paraffin lamp in the place of the costly "moderator" burning heavy colza oil.

Two Chinese lanterns with embossed tin tops and bottoms. Obtained from Wellisford Manor, Wellington.

Old gimblet found at "Burdett's," Wellington, in 1897, between some flooring.—Presented by Mr. W. de C. PRIDEAUX, Dorchester.

Iron spur with six-pointed rowel, found in an orchard close to Somerton. Probably XVI Century.

Case of amputating instruments. Beginning XIX Century.

Case of trephining instruments. Beginning XIX Century.

Stethoscope, composed of wood and brass. Middle of XIX Century.

Three medical chip-boxes, all dated. XVIII Century.—Presented by Mr. E. W. VALENTINE, Somerton.

Large iron key, length 7½ins., which belonged to St. Aldhelm's Church at Broadway, Somerset; dug up whilst leveling the churchyard in 1885. *Circa* XV Century.—Presented by Dr. HUGH NORRIS, South Petherton.

Seventy-six iron keys, including door, latch, and barn-door keys of the Late XVIII and Early XIX Centuries.—Presented by Mr. E. CLATWORTHY.

Lower part (length 11½ft.), of a wooden suction-pipe taken from the bottom of a well, 80ft. deep, at Netherclay, Bishop's Hull. Formed from an elm-tree log, hollowed out by some mechanical power, and similar in these respects to the original water-pipes taken up recently in the streets of London.—Presented by Mr. W. RENDELL, Taunton.

Glass wine bottle, marked "I. Chappel, 1764."—Presented by Mr. WILLIAM MORGAN, Taunton.

Coat of mail, obtained by Lieut. Henry Spaight in India, in the early part of the XIX Century. The Sikhs wore these shirts of mail under their outer garments.

Arab cloak given to Sir George Whitlock (then Col. Whitlock) by an Arab chief in 1852. It was worn as an outer robe, probably when travelling.—Deposited by Dr. FITZ-JAMES MOLONY, Dunster Steep, Porlock.

Instrument used in trephining, Early XIX Century.

Iron safe key, XIX Century.—Presented by Mr. S. LAWRENCE, Taunton.

Heavy wooden club, used by sportsmen. English, XIX Century.

Wooden powder-flask, coated with leather.

Two powder-horns, one with brass mountings.

Powder-horn with ornamental brass mountings; inscribed on the horn *Bernardo H. Blanco, 1872*.

Pear-shaped brass shot-flask, with slightly incised decoration.—Presented by Mr. J. DARBY, Taunton.

Two clay tobacco-pipes of "Exeter type"; one of "Hull type."

Long clay pipe of Barnstaple make, with 'BARVM on heel, indistinctly marked.

Ornate bowl of a large clay tobacco-pipe, XIX Century.—Presented by Mr. A. RIPPON, 5, Parkfield, Topsham.

III. CHINA AND POTTERY.

(1). CROCK STREET POTTERY.

"Fuddling-cup" or "Jolly-boy," consisting of ten cups conjoined and arranged triangularly; the cups have ducts or channels connecting one cup with another. Two of the three handles have been broken off. Probably from the Crock Street Factory, near Ilminster. XVII-XVIII Century.—*Purchased* (R. L. Butland).

"Fuddling-cup" or "Jolly-boy," consisting of seven cups encircling a central cup, all being connected internally by ducts. Colour, light yellowish-brown, with galena glaze.

Inscription round the cups, "BE MERE AND WIS, 1702."
Crock Street ware, near Ilminster.

"Fuddling-cup," black, consisting of three cups conjoined.
Possibly made at Crock Street, near Ilminster, but probably
Staffordshire ware. ? XVII Century.

"Fuddling-cup," mottled green, consisting of three cups, and
having three handles at the corners. Possibly made at Crock
Street, near Ilminster.—Deposited by Mr. H. FRANKLIN,
Taunton.

"Fuddling-cup" or "Jolly-boy" of triangular form, having
ten cups one of which is broken off. From the Crock Street
Factory, near Ilminster, XVII-XVIII Century.

Glazed pottery porringer, with handle; ornamented with
conventional flowers. Round the outside of the rim is the fol-
lowing inscription:—Remember thov keep h(oly) the Sabath Day
R A 1729. Made at the Crock Street kilns, near Ilminster.
—Deposited by Mr. T. CHARBONNIER, Barnstaple.

(2). MISCELLANEOUS.

Small, black jug, lustre glaze. ? Jackfield ware (near
Ironbridge). 1713-1780.

Large, black, two-handled mug. ? Jackfield ware, 1713-
1780.

Glazed jug, blue with large white stars bearing conventional
floral designs in orange and light green. Delft ware of
Bruges. Late XVIII Century.

Earthenware jug with cream-coloured crackled glaze, orna-
mented with a band of circular, brown, "slip" dots. Perhaps
of local manufacture. XVII Century.

Perfect, buff-coloured Roman pitcher, height 7½ ins. Found
at Münstermayfeld, a Prussian walled town, ten miles s.w. of
Coblentz, July 4, 1884. The Emperor Caligula was born
there.

Corinthian vase, ancient Greek. Early VI Century, B.C.

Oinochoë—a jug for pouring out wine—of Greek form, but perhaps made in Italy. 300 B.C.

Ancient Greek kylix, or drinking-cup. V Century, B.C.—Deposited by Mr. H. FRANKLIN, Taunton.

Sunderland ware lustre cup, height 2½ins. *Circa* 1800.

Sunderland ware lustre mug with handle, height 2½ins. *Circa* 1800.

Ancient Greek aryballos. Decline of Greek vase painting, and perhaps made in South Italy. *Circa* III Century, B.C.

Ancient Greek lecythos, a vessel for pouring liquids slowly; red and black.

Small, black, handled vase. ? South Italy.

Small aryballos, probably made in Italy from Greek model.

Ancient Greek cotyliscos, height 3ins.

Ancient Greek cotyliscos, height 3½ins.

Small, slender, earthenware bottle; probably Roman.—Presented by Mr. H. FRANKLIN, Taunton.

Three blue-and-white Wedgwood plaques, with representations (busts in relief) of Napoleon Buonaparte, Wellington, and Nelson. They were probably made during the “Wedgwood period” by another firm copying Wedgwood’s work.—Presented by Rev. C. H. HEALE, St. Decuman’s.

IV. NUMISMATICS.

Collection of 268 Somerset Trade Checks, the majority of which were in general use in the early part of the XIX Century. They are still used at some inns and coffee taverns.—Presented by Mr. CHAS. TITE, Hon. General Secretary.

In addition to the 268 checks mentioned above, there were fifty-six in the collection previously, nearly all having been presented by Mr. Tite. The following places are represented in this collection.—Ansford, Bath, Bathampton, Batheaston, Bathford, Bedminster, Blue Anchor, Bridgwater, Cannington, Castle Cary, Chard, Clevedon, Combe Down, Dunster, Evercreech, Frome, Glastonbury, Highbridge, Horsington, Ilchester, Ilminster, Keynham, Kilmersdon, Martock, Midsomer Norton, Shepton Beauchamp, Shepton Mallet, South Petherton, Taunton, Twerton (?), Uphill, Wanstrow, Wellington, Well, Wells, Weston-super-Mare, Williton, Wincanton and Yeovil.

Public-house check, JOSEPH PURSEY. LAMB TAVERN. WILLITON.

Two public-house checks, RAILWAY HOTEL (Williton) 4 PENCE. Also two ditto 2 PENCE. (The Lamb Tavern was the old name for the Railway Hotel).—Presented by Rev. C. H. HEALE, St. Decuman's.

Sherborne farthing, for the poor, 1669.

A Chard farthing, 1671.—Presented by Dr. NORRIS, South Petherton.

Two Roman coins, viz., a first brass of Nerva and portion of a silver denarius of Trajan, found in 1847, on the N. side and near Roal's Cottage in the road that comes up from Roal's Corner, Brendon Hills; dug up in cutting through an old wall about 2ft. under the surface, in a small earthen pot, which contained six other brass coins besides. Formerly in the collection of the donor's uncle, Sir W. C. Trevelyan, Bart.—Presented by Mr. SPENCER G. PERCEVAL, Henbury.

Silver penny, Charles II.

Late XVIII Century token, "General Commission Room, Bridge Street, Bristol."—Presented by Mr. JOHN HURDLEY, Taunton.

Farthing token of Charles I, "found by some men digging in Street, 1904, a few yards off the main road." *Obv.* :— + CAROLVS D.G. MA. BRIT. Crown and two sceptres. *Rev.* :— FRA. ET. HI. REX. Crowned rose.—Presented by Mr. A. J. CLARK, Street.

"One pound" bank note, "Brewton, Somersetshire," issued on Jan 4th, 1823.—Presented by Mr. E. HAROLD CALEY.

Medal of Napoleon I, struck at Milan to commemorate the taking of Vienna in 1805. Found with a halfpenny of William III in repairing a floor in a cottage in Nursery Place, Castle Green, Taunton, 1904.—(*Purchased*).

Thin brass coin, with Oriental characters, found by a workman in French Weir Field, Taunton, 1904.—(*Purchased*).

Sixpenny-bit of George IV, 1827.—(*Purchased*).

German silver piece, 8 schilling, 1729. Dug up in Coal Orchard, St. James' Street, Taunton.—Presented by Mr. F. MARKS, Taunton.

**V. MANUSCRIPTS, DRAWINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS,
ENGRAVINGS, PRINTED MATTER, ETC.**

Passport signed by Sir Thomas Fairfax to Capt. William Ash, to enable him to pass the Guards at South Petherton, dated 17th February, 1647.

MS. commission signed by Sir John Berkeley, appointing William Ash, Captain, 25th August, 1644.—Deposited by Mr. WILLIAM PARSONS PETERS (*per* Mr. H. R. Poole).

Two old sepia drawings, (1) Inner Gate of the Portal at Dunster Castle, (2) Cleeve Abbey. Both by C. A. M. (perhaps a Moysey).—Presented by Mr. SPENCER G. PERCEVAL, Henbury.

Brass memorial tablet, measuring 13½ins. x 10½ins., found in a refuse-heap in a nursery garden at Sidmouth, amongst material which had been burnt. It is inscribed :—"Here lies that humble & pious Christian that faithfull & vigilant magistrate George Serle thrice Mayor of the said towne served twelve yeares in Parliament as their Burgesse & was a Justice of the Peace in the County of Somerset He died the XXVIII day of September MDCLVIII."—(*Purchased*).

Full-sized drawing of the inscription on the walnut drinking-cup, 1695, presented to the Society by Rev. F. Warre.—Deposited by Mr. H. ST. GEORGE GRAY, Curator.

Plaster cast of life-sized bust of Dr. Standert, who flourished in Taunton as a surgeon in the middle of the XIX Century. He was a surgeon at the hospital and enjoyed a good local reputation, and had a considerable consulting practice. He was a great snuff-taker and whist-player. He lived and died

in a house (now a shop) in East Reach at the corner of South Street, and was buried in Holy Trinity Church Vaults, in which church there is a tablet to his memory.—Presented by Mr. NORTHCOTE W. SPICER, Chard.

Water-colour drawing (*circa* 1842) of a thickly-gilt bronze mace with inscription, found at Ilchester. It is described and figured in Barrett's *Somersetshire*, 1894, as the mace-head of Ilchester of the XIII Century.—Presented by Rev. J. E. ODGERS, Oxford.

Folio-sized reproductions of photographs of:—(1) St. Catherine's Court House; (2) Croscombe Church; (3) Room in the Red Lodge, Bristol; (4) St. Peter's Hospital, Bristol; (5) Garden House, Montacute House; and (6) Garden Front, Montacute House.—Presented by Mr. B. T. BATSFORD, London.

"*Eiren Archa*, or the Office of the Justices of Peace, by William Lambard, of Lincolnes Inne, Gentleman, 1602." (*Dict. Nat. Biog.*, xxxi, 438).—Presented by Mr. F. MARKS.

Sectional drawing, showing walls of moats, etc., Taunton Castle, under the roadway from Castle Green to the Castle Yard; from measurements by E. Jeboult, 1867.

Lease to John Michell for letting of the Burgage in North Street, Taunton, belonging to William Bluett, 10 July, 1669. Also Release, ditto, dated 30 July, 1669.—Presented by Mr. W. J. VILLAR, Taunton.

Parchment document—"A Survey of the Mannor of Muchelny in the County of Somers^t." Dated January, 1722-23.

Indenture relating to Somerton, dated June 28th, 39 Elizabeth.—Presented by Mr. E. W. VALENTINE, Somerton.

Photograph of a small alabaster figure of a lady with a tall head-dress. The figure is under a XIV Century arch in the south transept of Ilton Church. (See Jackson's *Wadham College*, 103-5).—Presented by the late Rev. R. B. POOLE, Ilton Vicarage.

Framed drawing, showing the manner in which the Sedan Chair was carried.—Presented by Mr. C. TITE, Taunton.

The following maps of Somersetshire, presented by Mr. C. TITE, Taunton :—

(1) By Wm. Kip, 1609. (2) By Ric. Blome, 1676. (3) By Robert Morden, 1680. (4) Map engraved for J. Harrison, 1790. (5) Small map, 1807. (6) Rutter's map, 1829. (7) Map published by Pigot and Co., 1841. (8) By Thos. Bowen. (9) Map printed by Carington Bowles. (10) By T. Kitching. (11) Map published by W. Edwards.

VI. NATURAL HISTORY.

(1). ANIMALS, ETC.

Australian Monitor (family *Varanidæ*), from Victoria; shot by the donor.—Presented by Dr. A. E. JOSCELYNE, Taunton.

Collection of skins of foreign birds.—Presented by Mrs. SELFE, Taunton.

Small nest of the common Wasp (*Vespa vulgaris*) in a somewhat early stage of its development. Found in a manure heap at Wellisford Manor, May, 1904.—Presented by Mr. T. H. R. WINWOOD, Wellisford Manor.

Two nests of the Trap-door Spider, from Corfu.—Presented by Mrs. MEADE-KING, Walford, Taunton.

Barn Owl, stuffed, in glazed case.—Presented by Mr. JOHN HURDLEY, Taunton.

Greater portion of a true molar (second or third right upper) of Mammoth (*Elephas primigenius*), weight 5lbs. Found in 1904, in Peasemarsch Quarry, Ilminster.¹—Presented by Mr. G. W. WARRY, Ilminster.

(2). ROCKS, MINERALS, FOSSILS, ETC.

Fine specimen of crystals of quartz, probably from the mountain limestone—locality unknown.—Purchased by Messrs. H. J. BADCOCK and C. TITE, and presented by them.

1. It has been examined by Professor Boyd Dawkins.

Piece of limestone with fossilized twigs of wood embedded in it. Picked up on the Cheddar cliffs, 1903.—(*Purchased.*)

A septarian concretion, and another in four pieces showing the internal structure; common in many clay formations. Found in the lias, in digging a grave in the old churchyard at Bickenhall, near Taunton, depth 7ft. They are sometimes called "cement stones" because they were formerly used in making Roman cement.—Presented by Mr. W. H. FISHER, Taunton.

A concretion of carbonate of lime taken from a heating-apparatus at Ilminster—the formation of twelve months.—Presented by Mr. W. H. FISHER.

Galerites dug up at Taunton.—Presented by Mr. A. HAMMETT.

Part of an internal cast of an Echinid (sea-urchin) in flint, *Ananchytes scutatus* (previously known as *Echinocorys vulgaris*).—Presented by Mr. A. NAPIER. A complete specimen has since been given by Mr. A. J. JUKES-BROWNE, F.G.S.

Fossils from the coal beds of Ashton Vale Colliery, near Bristol.—Presented by Mr. THOS. S. BUSH, Bath.

Plagiostoma gigantea and a *lima* from the blue lias at Thurlbear.—Presented by Mr. JOHN HURDLEY, Taunton.

Two wheel-barrows full of rock specimens and fossils, a few with labels attached.—Presented by Mr. ARNOLD GOODLIFFE, Taunton.

Piece of an iron water-pipe from Hatch Beauchamp, filled up with a concretion of carbonate of lime.—Presented by Dr. JOSCELYNE, Taunton.

VII. WALTER COLLECTION.

The following objects have been deposited on loan by Mr. R. HENSLEIGH WALTER, of Hawthornden, Stoke-under-Ham:—

Uninscribed British coin, silver, of the degenerated horse type, found on Ham Hill, Somerset.

The first and second "steps" to the harmonium, invented by Sir Charles Wheatstone (20 Conduit Street, Regent Street, London). Date of harmonium No. 2, *circa* 1829.

They were given by Wheatstone (1802-1875) to his friend John Phelps, the artist, who was a distant relative and friend of Richard Walter (father of Walter Winter Walter). John Phelps occasionally stayed at Percombe, playing selections on the No. 1 harmonium, and his repertoire (in his own handwriting) is still in the cover of the case. No. 2 is stamped I. P. inside the cover.

The following objects presented by Mr. R. HENSLEIGH WALTER :—

Fragments of Romano-British pottery ; flint flakes, scrapers, etc. ; and part of a Kimmeridge shale spindle-whorl. Found in process of "rubbling" on the s.e. portion of Ham Hill.

Twelve specimens of a hoard of forty-one more or less ovoid sling-stones (also small flint scraper) found in association with British pottery, depth 7ft. Ham Hill.

Photographic enlargement in frame, on a mount 33ins. x 26ins., of Richard Walter (father of Walter Winter Walter and grandfather of the donor) of Percombe Hill House, S. Somerset, at the age of fifty-four years ; founder of the "Walter Collection ;" born January, 1779, died November 23rd, 1878 : after a pastelle portrait by John Phelps, 1833.

One of Woodbury's own Prize Stannotypes.

"Walter Woodbury was probably the most prolific author of photographic inventions of his age, taking out no less than twenty patents. He died in 1885 at the age of fifty-one. Stannotype is a modification of Woodbury type. The former is printed from a surface of tinfoil on a gelatine relief, which forms a matrix from which a print is obtained on paper with a coloured gelatine ink. I introduced the Woodbury type and other photo mechanical processes into Scotland."—R. H. WALTER.

Five "commemoration" envelopes, 1840.

Time table of the subscription coach (established April 13th, 1812) which used to run between London and Plymouth, *via* Wincanton, Ilchester, Ilminster and Yarcombe—a coach which the donor's grandfather, Richard Walter, horsed for some years.

Photograph of a fine presentation sword which was in the

collection of Walter Winter Walter at The Gables, Stoke-under-Ham. It came into the possession of Thomas, Viscount Weymouth, whose widow (a sister of a former Vicar of Stoke-under-Ham) gave it to Richard Walter soon after her husband's death (*circa* 1837-8).

Brass finial of the flag-pole of the Odcombe Men's Walking Club, now defunct.

Flint-lock pistol, with short bayonet hinged to the muzzle. Found at Tintinhull.

Chipped flint arrowhead, barbed and stemmed, length 27·5 mm., picked up by the Rev. R. E. W. Cosens, on Chadlington Downs, Oxon.

Valentine, February 14th, 1852, in form of a bank note.

Whip, said to have belonged to the King of Delhi, and found in the Palace at Delhi at the close of the siege, September 1857, by Private John Eglon of the 78th Highlanders.

T. Simmons' improved sovereign balance, for weighing and guaging sovereigns and half-sovereigns. Early XIX Century. Taunton farthing, 1667.

VIII. NORRIS COLLECTION.

This important archæological and ethnographical collection arrived too late in the year to be described and catalogued in this volume. Full particulars of Dr. HUGH NORRIS' donation will be given in Vol. LI of the *Proceedings*.

DEPOSIT ON LOAN RETURNED.

Picture in black frame returned to Mr. H. Franklin, Taunton.