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COLCHESTER MUSEUM REPORTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDING 31 MARCH 1907 TO 31 MARCH 1910

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REPORT

OF THE

Museum and Muniment Committee,

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1907.

COLCHESTER : "THE ESSEX TELEGRAPH," LTD., PRINTERS. 1907.

Committee and Officers, 1906=7.

Committee :

Councillor E. H. BARRITT, Chairman. Alderman W. Butcher, J.P., Deputy-Chairman. The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor W. B. Sparling). Alderman H. Laver, J.P. Alderman L. J. Watts, J.P. Councillor W. G. Benham, J.P. , A. M. JARMIN.

The following are not on the Council, but represent the Essex Archeological Society:

MR. C. E. BENHAM.

" P. G. LAVER.

" DOUGLASS ROUND, M.A.

Bonorary Curator: Alderman Henry Laver, J.P., F.S.A.

> Curator : Arthur G. Wright.

Hssistant: Theobald Smith.

The Corporation Museum.

To the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Colchester.

GENTLEMEN,

In presenting our Annual Report, we have much pleasure in again drawing attention to the greatly increased interest taken in the Museum, and the recognition it now receives at the hands of other museum authorities both in this country and on the continent.

It is extremely gratifying to find that during the past year which terminated on 31st March, there has been a considerable increase in the number of visitors, the total for the twelve months being 31,078, nearly 1500 more than was recorded in the previous year.

The Bank Holidays of Easter Monday and Boxing Day show a decrease in the attendances owing probably, on the first named, to the lateness of Easter and the fine weather which drew many to the sea-side, and on the latter, to the almost arctic conditions which prevailed. Whit Monday and August Monday, on the other hand, show a considerable increase on the previous records.

Your Committee have again to acknowledge their indebtedness to a large number of donors of many valuable and interesting gifts, and it is gratifying to observe by the list on pages 22 and 23 that many live at some distance from Colchester, which shows that the Museum is gaining more than a local reputation. Many valuable additions have also been made by purchase.

Amongst the gifts, particular mention should be made of the valuable addition to the collection of Ancient British coins by your Honorary Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A., who has generously presented to the Museum the uninscribed gold coins, previously deposited by him. Another valuable gift of coins is the series of Roman Imperial *denarii*, presented by Sir John Evans, K.C.B., consisting of 351 silver coins, ranging from Vitellius to Alexander Severus, all in nearly mint state.

The Museum has also been enriched by the gift of a fine example of Roman mosaic flooring, found on the property of the donor, Mr. Harrington Lazell. The pavement which was discovered about two feet below the surface in the garden of 18 North Hill, was successfully removed and has been re-set and repaired by the Curator.

Your Committee has also to record the very handsome addition to the Museum Library of 32 volumes of *Archæologia*, by the liberality of the Council of the Society of Antiquaries.

Much progress has been made during the year in the re-arrangement of the Museum, and many alterations and improvements have been carried out, resulting in the more effective and systematic display of the various unique and valuable collections; but the want of space is becoming a serious hindrance. The large number of additions to the Museum during the past few years has necessitated much overcrowding of the cases, and there are many objects of interest which for want of room cannot be shown at all. This matter is one which causes the Committee much concern, and upon which they will present a special report to the Council.

The Committee appreciate and believe the Council will desire to recognise the devotion of the Hon. Curator, the assiduity and earnestness of the Curator, and the carefulness and attention of his Assistant.

> ERNEST H. BARRITT, Chairman. HENRY LAVER, Hon. Curator. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT, Curator.

Visitors to the Museum, 1906=7.

		75		Deserves		
				Days open.	P	ttendance.
April	••		••	24	••	3474
May	••	••		27	••	1836
June	••			26	•••	4137
July		•••		26		2812
August	· •	••	•••	27		7371
September	••	•••		25		3641
October			• •	27	•••	1833
November	••	••		26	••	1167
December	••		• •	25	• •	1146
January				27		1217
February			• •	24		970
March	•••			25		1474
Total	••	••	• •	311	• •	*31,078

BANK HOLIDAY ATTENDANCES.

Easter Monday, 16th April		 	1235
Whit Monday, 4th June	• •	 	1153
August Monday, 6th August		 	744
Boxing Day, 26th December		 	19

* The total number of Visitors for the year ending March 31st, 1903, was 20,887; 1904, was 27,039; 1905, was 28,408; 1906, was 29,588.

The Colchester Museum

IS OPEN DAILY FROM

1st April to 30th September—10 a.m. till 5 p.m. 1st October to 31st March—10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

AND CLOSED ON

Sundays, Good Friday, and Christmas Day, and such other days as the Committee may order.

ADMISSION FREE.

It is urgently requested that any discovery of Archæological interest in the neighbourhood may be brought to the notice of either the Chairman, Honorary Curator or the Curator as early as possible.

The Curator will be pleased to give any information in his power, and may be seen daily, Museum engagements permitting.

Photographs and Postcards of many of the most important antiquities may be obtained at moderate prices from the Curator.

Curator .. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT.

List of Additions to the Museum

BY GIFT AND PURCHASE,

From 1st April, 1906, to 31st March, 1907.

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PRE-HISTORIC.

- Chipped Flint Implement and Flake, found in Colchester. Neolithic. Donor, the Assistant, Mr. T. Smith. 1085, 1102.
- Several Palæolithic and Neolithic Flint Tools and Flakes, found by donor in neighbourhood of Colchester. Donor, the Curator, Mr. A. G. Wright.

1085-88, 1103-4.

- Split Quartzite Pebble, probably a rubber, found in Mersea. Neolithic (?). Donor, Mrs. D. King, East Mersea.
- Fragment of Pottery found by donor in Rampart of Gryme's Dyke. Bronze Age (?) Donor, Mr. Charles E. Benham. 1168.
- Portion of large Cinerary Urn; the upper and under edges of base ornamented with finger-nail impressions. Found at Shoebury. Bronze Age. Purchased. 1182.
- Fragments of Pottery, some containing pounded shell, for comparison with similar ware from Shoebury. Found on Ham Hill, Somerset. Donor, Dr. R. Hensleigh Walter, Stoke-under-Ham. 1189.
- Cinerary Urn of coarse brown ware, with plain overhanging rim. Height, $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Found at Alphamston. Bronze Age. Donor, the Rev. H. K. Anketell, Alphamston. (*Plate.*) 1197.

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- Fragments of a large Cinerary Urn of same type as No. 1197, ornamented on rim with a twisted-cord pattern. Found at Alphamston. Bronze Age. Donor, the Rev. H. K. Anketell, Alphamston.
- "Food Vessel" of coarse brown ware from grave which contained the large Urn (No. 1198). Height, $3\frac{7}{8}$ inches. Found at Alphamston. Bronze Age. Purchased. (*Plate.*) 1200.

1108.

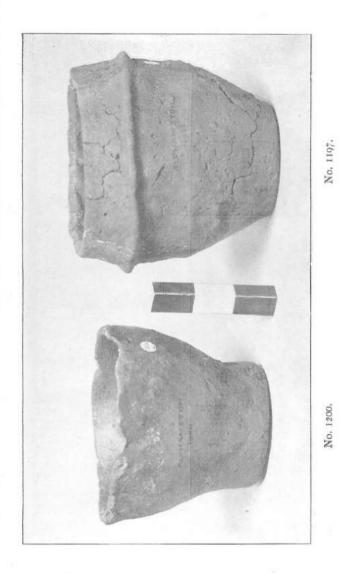
- Fragments of an Urn found in the same grave with Nos. 1198 and 1200. The rim is ornamented with a twisted cord pattern. Found at Alphamston. Bronze Age. Purchased. 1201.
- Portion of Skull and Bones (unidentified) found in gravel about 8 feet below the surface at Dedham. Donor, Mr. S. F. Griffiths, Dedham. 1229.

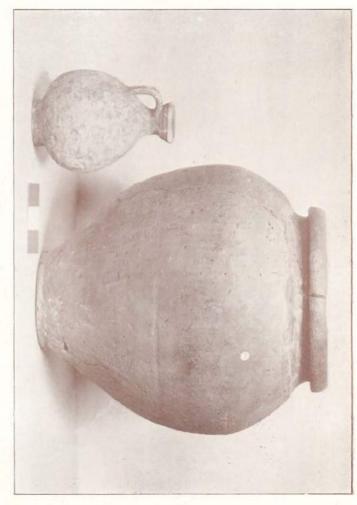
ROMANO-BRITISH.

- Fragments of Wall Plaster and Pottery, found in Union grounds. Roman. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1076.
- Fragments of Tile and Pottery, found in Museum Street. Roman. Purchased. 1078.
- Fragments of Pottery from a Red Earth Hill, East Mersea. Donor, Mr. D. King, East Mersea.
- Fragments of a gracefully formed Cup of painted redware, with maker's stampSMERTbase. Gaulish. 1st century,VCOSMr. Philip G. Laver.1111.

This name abbreviated, **SMERTV**, has been found on a bowl, and also in full on a mould, at Reims. C.I.L., XIII., No. 1823.

Lamp of buff ware, painted red, with mask in relief. Length, 3 inches. Purchased. 1127.





Nos. 1131 and 1132.

- Two small Bronze Pins with ornamental heads. Purchased. 1128.
- Large Urn of grey ware, with finger-nail ornamentation under rim. Height, 11½ inches. 1st century, A.D. Purchased. 1129.
- Small Urn of rough grey ware. Height, 85 inches. Purchased. 1130.
- Burial Group, consisting of a Cinerary Urn of smooth brown ware, slightly micaceous and showing traces of a black glaze. Beneath the over-hanging bead rim is a narrow indented raised band. Height, 13 inches; and a Water Bottle of buff ware. Height, 6¹/₈ inches. 1st century, A.D. Purchased. (*Plate.*) 1131-32.

The ornamental band resembles that on a fragment of Late-Celtic pottery from Kent's Cavern, Torquay, figured in British Museum Guide to Early Iron Age Antiquities, p. 142, fig. 136.

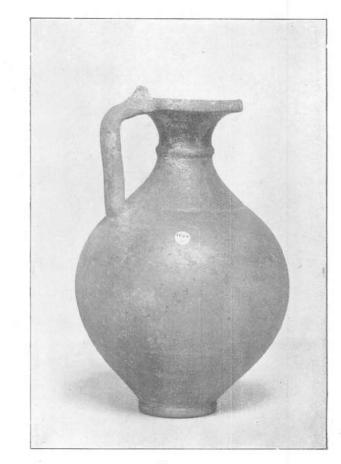
- Water Bottle of buff ware, with owner's mark scratched on base. Height, $8\frac{1}{8}$ inches. Purchased. 1135.
- Spear Head of iron, with narrow leaf-shaped blade and round tang. Length, 17⁷/₈ inches. Late-Celtic (?). Purchased. 1136.
- Fragments of Pottery, found in garden in Chapel Street. Donors, Gordon E. Smith and Stanley Diss. 1145.
- Fragments of Pottery, including base of a pedestalled Urn (Late-Celtic) and portion of "Samian" Cup with maker's stamp **SALVI**[**VS**]. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A.

1161-2, 1167.

This Potter's name has been found on a mould at Montans in France, one of the centres of the Gaulish red ware, "Samian," industry during the latter part of the 1st and the beginning of the 2nd century. Déchelette, *Les Vases Céramiques Ornés de la Gaule Romaine*.

Fragment of a Roman Inscription in marble, found in an old wall. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1171.

- Small Cup of Red-glazed "Samian" ware, (Dragendorff, 35) interesting as shewing the action of a fire on the glaze. Found in present condition at Tiltey Abbey. Donor, Mr. I. Chalkley Gould, F.S.A., Loughton. 1177.
- Fragments of Pottery from a Red Earth Hill, Wigborough. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1187.
- Handle of a Vessel of pinkish ware, covered with mica. It resembles the bronze handles of Roman manufacture, and is probably of early 1st century date. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1183.
- Two fragments of the rare blue Glass Bowl acquired by the Museum some few years back. Donor, Mr. J. C. Shenstone. 1190. These fragments have been added to the tablet on which the other portions are exhibited.
- Cinerary Urn of grey ware with tooled lines under rim. Height 7¹/₈ inches. Purchased. 1192.
- Hair Pin of bone, with ornamental head perforated for fillet. Length $6\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Purchased. 1193.
- Fine Jug of red ware which has been covered with mica and shews traces of decoration with a black pigment, round neck and inside mouth, after the manner of Greek vessels. Height 8½ inches. Early 1st century. Purchased. (*Plate.*) 1194. This vessel appears to have been modelled on the Italo-Greek type of Bronze Enochoê of about 200 B.C.
- Part of the Border of a very fine Mosaic Floor from a Roman house, found in the garden of No. 18 North Hill. The design, which is worked in small *tesseræ* of black, white, red, yellow and grey, consists of a series of medallions containing heart-shaped leaves



No. 1194,

or flowers, with a broad edging of large red cubes about an inch square. Donor, Mr. Harrington Lazell. 1202.

- Several fragments of Wall Plaster, many brilliantly coloured. Some of the pieces shew three periods of decoration super-imposed. Fragment of Tile shewing the impression of a goat's foot. Several fragments of Pottery, Iron Nails, Skull and leg-bone of a Dog, etc., all found on or above the floor. Donor, Mr. Harrington Lazell. 1203-3f.
- Burial Group consisting of a Cinerary Urn of light grey ware, with tooled trellis pattern. Height $8\frac{3}{4}$ inches, and Basin of grey ware with polished black exterior, decorated with trellis pattern. Height $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches. 1st century, A.D. Purchased. 1204-5.
- Small Bell of bronze, rectangular form with loop-handle and ball feet. Height $1\frac{7}{8}$ inches. Purchased. 1212.
- Small Cup of buff ware, painted reddish brown, slightly lustrous. Height, 3½ inches. Purchased. 1237.
 Bronze Buckle. Purchased. 1244.
- Lid of a Bronze Jug, Roman. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1073.

MEDIÆVAL AND LATER.

- Hanging Knife Box of elm with hinged lid. Early 19th century. Donor, Mrs. Smith, Copford. 1070.
- Hanging Knife Box of elm with sliding lid. 18th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1071.
- Hour Glass, said to have belonged to a parish clerk of Cavendish, Suffolk. 18th century. Donor, Dr. Richard D. Waring, Cavendish. 1072.

- Ten Hat Moulds of wood, on which straw hats were modelled. 19th century. Purchased. 1084. Straw-plaiting and Hat-making are now extinct industries in Essex.
- Two Table Spoons of latten, one with seal top. 17th century. Donor, Mr. Harold Francis. 1090.
- Hat Mould of cement. 19th century. Donor, Mr. Miller Christy, F.L.S., Chignal, St. James. 1095.
- Threshing Flail, known to have been in the possession of one family over a hundred years. Donor, Mr. W. Crick, West Bergholt. 1099.
- Two Parish Constable's Staves, formerly belonging to Fingringhoe Parish, painted blue with inscription in red and gold. → |VR | I | 1838 | FP. Length, 19½ inches and 15¼ inches respectively. Donor, Mr. G. Page, Fingringhoe. 1115-16.
- Horse Shoe, about 17th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1123.
- Carved Stay Busk of pear wood, with heart shaped top. A heart is also carved in the design on the face, with date 1756 and initials C.A.P. On the back are cut the initials E.X.C. and E.C. Found behind panelling when pulling down the Lamb Inn in 1905. Purchased. 1141.
- Smock Frock of stout green linen, hand sewn and embroidered. Purchased. 1141. This is a fine specimen of the Essex Smock, worn by William Green, of Little Burstead, till his death in 1897.
- Sussex Smock Frock, of grey linen, hand sewn and embroidered. Donor, Mrs. Ockenden, Lyminster, Sussex. 1143.
- Five Encaustic Tiles, found built into the walls of old Myland Church. 14th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1163.

- Pair of Cloth and Leather Boots, with square toes. Early 19th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1164.
- Iron Cupboard Hinge, about 18th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A.

1165.

Two Horse Shoes. About 17th century. Purchased. 1170.

Hand Roller for flattening the Straw used in Strawplaiting. Donor, Mr. H. W. Lewer, Loughton. 1178.

This specimen is figured in Mr. I. Chalkley Gould's interesting paper on "Straw-plaiting, a Lost Essex Industry," in the Essex Naturalist, vol. xiv., 1906.

Whalebone Shavings formerly used by upholsterers for stuffing chair seats. Donor, Mr. I. Chalkley Gould, F.S.A., Loughton. 1179.

See Antiquary, vol. 42, pp. 351 and 400.

Four Calculi. Donor, Mr. T. Argent.

Automatic Tobacco-Box and Till of japanned iron. On the lid of the box is painted a keg of tobacco and two clay pipes, on that of the till, the following doggerel:---

A halfpenny dropt into the till, Upsprings the lid and you may fill; When you have filled, without delay, Shut down the lid or sixpence pay.

Donor, Councillor A. M. Jarmin.

1181.

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These boxes were commonly seen on Public House tables and bars in the early part of the 19th century.

- Travelling Trunk of wood covered with hide, with iron handle on lid and hasp-lock. Probably late 17th century. Donor, Mr. W. R. Simkin. 1191.
- Glass "Bull's Eye," formerly used in cottage and stable windows to avoid the Window Tax. Donor, Mr. J. C. Shenstone. 1199.

The Window Tax was first enacted in 1695 and ceased in 1851.

- Small Mug of Hedingham ware by E. W. Bingham. On the side are the words "Castle Hedingham," and a view of the Castle in relief. Rich blue glaze. Height 4 inches. Purchased. 1211.
- Three Straw-Splitters of bone in wooden handles and one in iron. Purchased. 1213.

These were used in the now extinct Essex industry of Straw-plaiting.

- Fish Fork with knife-shaped prong for dividing bones. 18th century (i). Donor, Mr. J. C. Shenstone. 1214.
- Barrrell, Butt-mount and Trigger-guard of an old gun metal pistol, with maker's stamps on barrell. 18th century. Donor, Mr. J. F. Marlar. 1219.
- Gaoler's Staff, painted with Royal Arms and Garter motto under a Crown, beneath which is the word
 GAOLER in a foliated label. Length 17⁵/₈ inches.
 Donor, Mr. Henry Harvey, Wokingham. 1222.

This Staff was used by the Donor's grandfather, Christopher Harvey, Governor of the Borough Gaol, and Hall Keeper at the Old Moot Hall and Old Town Hail. He retired in favour of his son in 1858.

Special Constable's Staff, painted black. Length 18 inches. Issued to donor when in the Colchester Volunteers at the time of the Fenian scare, in 1868; also Card of Instructions, Badge, and Order of Assembly. Donor, Mr. Henry Harvey, Wokingham. 1223.

A number of cast Leaden Bullets, found buried together. Probably hidden during the Seige of Colchester in 1648. Purchased. 1206.

Colchester Bay Seal of lead or pewter. Purchased. 1207.

Pocket Instrument in ivory for making and mending quill pens. Donor, Mr. J. C. Shenstone. 1209.

Jug of red ware, with rich olive-brown lead glaze. Height 5½ inches. About 17th century. Purchased. 1210.

- Table Spoon of brass or latten, with Seal-top handle.17th century. Purchased.1226.
- Sampler, worked by Dinah Golding, aged 10 years. Dated 1773. Framed. Purchased. 1227.
- Twenty Tobacco-pipes, from 16th to 18th century, found near Leytonstone. Donor, Mr. Alfred P. Wire, Leytonstone. 1228.
- Candlestick and Rush-light holder of iron in modern oak base. 17th century. Purchased. 1231.

Iron Candlestick. 18th century. Purchased. 1231.

- Bullet Cartridge, used with old muzzle-loading gun by the Colchester Volunteers, and tool used with same gun. Donor, Mr. J. F. Marlar. 1234.
- Carved Head in stone, from hood moulding of a window in St. John's Abbey, about 15th Century. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1236.
- Fragments of Painted Glass, found in a stable window in Colchester. 14th century. Purchased. 1242.

Horse Shoe, about 16th century. Purchased. 1243.

- Four Horse Shoes, 16th and 17th centuries. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1248-49. 1253-54.
- Man Trap, self-locking, with two keys. Donor, Mr. Robert Brooks, Mistley. 1255.

This form of Trap, known as the "Humane" trap, was probably introduced after the toothed trap became illegal in 1826.

- Leather Shot Flask, early 19th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1260.
- Brass Chafing Dish, on three legs, with turned wooden handle, 16th century. Donor Mr. Henry Arnold. 1267.

COINS AND TOKENS.

Trade Token, IOHN GVNFIELD | OF ST OSETH. 1665, found at Wigborough. Donor, Miss J. L. Edwards, Wigborough. 1093.

Silver Denarius of Caracalla, type Cohen 242, Geta, type Cohen 206; Elagabalus, type Cohen 125. Found in Colchester. Donor, Sir John Evans, K.C.B., etc. 1096-98

Irish Bank Token, 5d., silver, 1805. Donor, Mr. J. J. Greenshields, Lesmahagow, Lanarkshire. 1118.

Trade Token, ROBERT ADSON, 1663 | HIS HALFE PENNY, Donor, Mr. S. Allston. 1126.

Small Bronze Coin (Minim). Donor, Mr. F. Farman.

"Cartwheel" Penny of George III., 1797. Donor, Mr. George S. Edwards, West Mersea.

"Second Brass" of Claudius, reverse illegible, found in small urn destroyed. Purchased. 1220

Small Silver Coin, unidentified. Purchased. 1221 Collection of Roman Imperial Denarii from Vitellius

(A.D. 69) to Alexander Severus (A.D. 222). In all 351 coins, in a fine state of preservation. Donor, Sir John Evans, K.C.B., etc. 1224

"Third Brass" of Helena, wife of Constantius Chlorus. Rev. PAX PVBLICA. Purchased. 1238.

Trade Token, GILES TAYSPILL OF COLCHESTER, 1668. Purchased. 1239.

Copper Token, *J*K* 1736. Rev. WALTON. 1736.

Silver Denarius of Augustus, Rev. MAR VLT. Circular

Temple. Found on beach at Frinton. Donor,

Mr. J. Barton Caldecott, Frinton-on-Sea. 1269.

This coin probably records the building and dedication, at Rome, of the Temple of Mars the Avenger, by Augustus, in the year 752 (B.C. 2).

Twelve Ancient British Gold Coins, uninscribed. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A.

PRINTS, MAPS, PHOTOGRAPHS, AND PRINTED MATTER.

- Three Reprints of Speed's and Norden's Maps of Essex, Middlesex and Hertfordshire, and four M.SS. Donor, Mr. Harold Francis.
- Three photographs and six postcards of Antiquities in York Museum. Donor, Mr. Charles E. Elmhirst, York. 1108.
- Six photographs of antiquities found at Newstead, 1906. Donor, Mr. James Curle, Melrose. 1110.
- Three photographs of Late-Celtic pottery found at Haslemere, Kent. Donor, Mr. E. Swanton, Curator, Haslemere Museum. 1114.
- Coloured Print of St. Andrew's Church, Greenstead, Essex. Purchased. 1146.
- Twenty-five prints and engravings of local interest. Purchased. 1147.
- Two picture postcards of Roman Amphitheatre at Brugg, Switzerland. Donor, Mr. W. Howard Flanders, Latchington. 1148.
- Fifteen photographs of Roman remains and antiquities found at Silchester. Donor, Mr. Thomas W. Colyer, Curator, Reading Museum. 1158.
- "Bell's Weekly Messenger," Jan. 4, 1808, to Dec. 25, 1809. One vol. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1165.
- Letter of thanks "To the Independent Electors of the Borough of Colchester," by Robert Thornton, June 12, 1790. 1208.
- "Pilborough's Colchester Journal, or the Essex Mercury," 1738. Two copies. Donor, Mr. Edward Bidwell, London. 1251-2.

LOANS.

- Portion of a Hoard of Roman Coins, with fragments of vessel in which they were found. Deposited by Councillor A. M. Jarmin. 1119.
- Three Caryatides, from the old Hall of Bradwell-juxta-Coggeshall. Deposited by Rev. T. G. Brunwin-Hales.

Museum Library.

ADDITIONS BY GIFT AND PURCHASE,

From 1st April, 1906, to 31st March, 1907.

BCOKS, GUIDES, PAMPHLETS, &c.

"Matabele Land and the Victoria Falls." Edited from Journal and Letters of Frank Oates, F.R.G.S. Donor, Mrs. Caroline A. Oates, Gestingthorpe Hall. 1077.

"Les Vases Céramiques ornés de la Gaule Romaine," by Joseph Déchelette, 2 vols. 1083.

"Hull Museum Publications," by Thomas Sheppard, F.G.S., Curator. Nos. 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, Donor, the Author. 1094, 1122, 1175-6, 1235, 1250.

"Bonner Jahrbücker," Heft, xcvi u xcvii, 1895. 1106.

"British Museum, Guide to English Pottery and Porcelain." 1107.

"Revue Archéologique," Juillet-Aout, 1901. 1109.

- "Excavations at Newstead Fort," by James Curle. (Reprint). Donor, the Author.
- "The Centuries," by Dr. Jonathan Hutchinson, F.R.S., etc. 1112.

"Report of Committee on Ancient Earthworks," 1906. Donor, the Hon. Secretary, Mr. I. Chalkley Gould.

[&]quot;Note on a Late-Keltic Burial Ground," by E. W. Swanton. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1120.

- "Notes from the Manchester Museum," No. 21, by William E. Hoyle, M.A., D.Sc., Director. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1138.
- "The Coinage of Allectus," by Percy H. Webb. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1139.
- "Anniversary Address to the Royal Numismatic Society," 1906, by Sir John Evans, K.C.B., F.R.S., etc. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1140.
- "The Walls of Wallingford," by I. Chalkley Gould, F.S.A. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1144.
- "Notes on Old Peterborough," by Andrew Percival, S.S.C. Donor, Mr. J. W. Bodger, Peterborough.

1152.

- "Handbook to the Collection of Antiquities, . . . Fitzwilliam Museum," by H. A. Chapman, Principal Assistant. Donor, the Author. 1155.
- "Straw Plaiting, a Lost Essex Industry," by I. Chalkley Gould, F.S.A. (Reprint). Donor, the Author.

1160.

- "Remarks on Mediæval Tiles found at St. Osyth," by Mr. W. H. St. John Hope. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1195.
- "Paper on Early Italian Brooches found in England," by Professor W. Ridgeway, M.A., and Reginald A. Smith, B.A. (Reprint). Donor, Mr. Reginald A. Smith. 1196.

"English Architecture," by Thomas Dinham Atkinson. 1215.

- "Glossary of English Architecture," ditto. 1216.
- "A Hoard of Roman Coins," by Sir John Evans, K.C.B., etc. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1225.
- "British Numismatic Journal," First Series. Vol. II., 1905. 1232.

- "Horniman Museum Handbook," No. 7. Donors, the London County Council. 1241.
- The "Essex Naturalist," Vol. XIV. Donors, the Council of the Essex Field Club. 1258.
- "Archæologia," Vols. 28 to 50, with General Index and Vols. 51 (part 2) to 59. Donors, the Council of the Society of Antiquaries. 1259.
- "Catalogue du Musée Archéologique," Reims. Donor, the Curator, M. Henri Jadart. 1261.
- "Catalogue . . . Musée Municipal," Roanne. Donor, the Curator, M. Joseph Déchelette. 1262.
- "Guide to the Municipal Museum," Hull. Donor, the Curator, Mr. Thomas Sheppard. 1263.

"History of Banks and Banking in Essex," by Miller Christy. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1264.

- "Archæologia," Vol. 51 (part 1). 1265.
- "The Pitney Pavement," by Sir Richard Colt-Hoare. Donor, Dr. R. Hensleigh Walter, Stoke-under-Ham. 1268.
- The "Reliquary," 1906. Donor, the Editor, Mr. J. Romilly Allen, F.S.A.

"The Museums Journal," for past year.

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RECEIVED FROM THE RESPECTIVE CURATORS.

Brighton, County Borough Museums, &c. (not received this year). Bury St. Edmund's, Moyses Hall Museum. Cambridge, Museum of General and Local Archæology and Ethnology (not received this year). Cambridge, FitzWilliam Museum. Cardiff, The Welsh Museum (not received this year). Chester, Society of National Science, &c. Edinburgh, Royal Scottish Museum. Glasgow, Corporation Museum, &c. Ipswich, Borough Museum, &c. Leicester, Corporation Museum, &c. (not received this vear). London (C.C.) Horniman Museum. Maidstone, Borough Museum. Manchester, Owen's College Museum. Newcastle, Natural History Society. Norwich, Castle Museum. Peterborough, Natural History, &c., Society. Plymouth, Municipal Museum, &c. Rochdale, County Borough Museum (not received this year). St. Alban's, Hertfordshire County Museum. Taunton, Castle Museum. Warrington, County Borough Museum. Washington, U.S.A., National Museum. Wisbech, Museum, &c. Worcester, Public Library, Museum, &c. York, Yorkshire Philosophical Society. N.B.-Curators of Museums will much oblige by forward-

ing their Reports in exchange as issued.

List of Donors.

1st April, 1906, to 31st March, 1907.

Allen, J. Romilly (London). Arnold, Henry. Argent, T. Anketell, Rev. H. K. (Alphamston). Allston, S. Benham, Charles E. Bidwell, Edward (London). Bodger, J. W. (Peterborough). Brooks, Robert (Mistley). Burgess, W. Caldecott, J. Barton (Frinton-on-Sea). Chapman, H. A. (Cambridge). Christy, Miller (Chignal St. James). Colver, Thomas W. (Reading). Crick, William (West Bergholt). Curle, James (Melrose). Déchelette. Joseph (Roanne, France). Diss, Stanley. Edwards, Miss J. L. (Wigborough). Edwards, George S. (West Mersea). Essex Field Club. Evans, Sir John (Berkhamsted). Elmhirst, Charles, E. (York). Farman, F. Flanders, W. H. (Latchington). Francis, Harold. Gould, I. Chalkley (Loughton). Greenshields, J. J. (Lesmahagow). Griffiths, F. S. (Dedham). Harvey, Henry (Wokingham).

Hope, W. H. St. John (London). Jarmin, A. M. Jadart, Henri (Reims, France). King, Mrs. D. (East Mersea). King, D. (East Mersea). Laver, Henry (Hon. Curator). Laver, Philip G. Lazell, Harrington. London County Council. Marlar, J. F. Oates, Mrs. Caroline A. (Gestingthorpe). Ockenden, Mrs. (Lyminster). Page, G. (Fingringhoe). Shenstone, J. C. Sheppard, Thomas (Hull). Simkin, W. R. Smith, Mrs. (Copford). Smith, Gordon, E. Smith, Reginald, A (British Museum). Smith, T. (Assistant). Society of Antiquaries (London). Swanton, E. (Haslemere). Walter, R. Hensleigh (Stoke-under-Ham). Waring, Richard D. (Cavendish). Webb (Percy H. (Walton-on Thames). Wire, Alfred P. (Leytonstone). Wright, A. G. (Curator).

FORMS OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath out of such part of my personal Estate as may by Law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Colchester, the sum of

free from Legacy Duty, for the Benefit of the Corporation Museum of Antiquities, to be expended in such a way as they may deem expedient ; and I direct that the Receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Borough shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

I bequeath*

*ANTIQUITIES

OBJECTS, to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Colchester (Free from Legacy Duty, which Duty I direct shall be paid out of my pure personalty), for the benefit of the Corporation Museum of Antiquities, either for Exhibition, or for such other purposes as they may deem expedient; and I further direct that the Receipt of the Town Clerk for the time being of the said Borough, shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

Borough of



Colchester.

LIST OF POSTCARDS

Published by the

COLCHESTER CORPORATION MUSEUM,

Which can be obtained of the Curator,

Price 3d. each.

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Centurion Monument.

Altar to Sulevian Mothers.

Sphinx.

Colchester Vase.

Group of Roman Glass Ware.

" "Samian" Ware.

" Late-Celtic Pedestalled and other Urns.

Late-Celtic Burial Group, 1st Century, A.D.

Red Glazed Vase from ditto.

Group of "Face" Urns.

Roman Bronze Jug.

Late-Celtic Burial Group, 1st Century, A.D.

Group of Red Ware Jugs, 1st Century, A.D.

Red Ware Jug, 1st Century, A.D.

Bronze-age Cinerary Urn.

" Cinerary Urn and "Food" Vessel. Ringer's Jug, 17th Century. Spring Gun.

ARTHUR G. WRIGHT, *Curator*.

Borough of



Colchester.

THE

Corporation Museum.

REPORT

OF THE

Museum and Muniment Committee,

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1908.

Colchester: "The Essex County Telegraph." 1908.

Committee and Officers, 1907=8.

Committee:

Councillor E. H. Barritt, J.P., Chairman. Alderman W. Butcher, J.P., Deputy-Chairman. The Worshipful the Mayor (Alderman Wilson Marriage, J.P.) Alderman H. Laver, J.P. Alderman L. J. Watts, J.P. Councillor W. Gurney Benham, J.P. Councillor A. M. Jarmin.

The following are not on the Council, but represent the Essex Archæological Society:

THE REV. T. H. CURLING, B.A.

MR. P. G. LAVER. MR. DOUGLASS ROUND, M.A.

Ibonorary Curator : Alderman Henry Laver, J.P., F.S.A.

> Curator: Arthur G. Wright.

Hssistant: Theobald Smith.

The Corporation Museum.

To the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Colchester.

GENTLEMEN,

We beg to submit our Sixth Annual Report on the Corporation Museum.

The interest taken in the Museum exhibits no sign of flagging and although we cannot show an increase in the number of visitors over the preceding year as hitherto, the deficit is only due to the Museum having been closed for three weeks during March for cleaning and the installation of the electric light. The weekly average of visitors for 1907-8 has been 630.5, that for 1906-7 was 597.34.

That the Museum is becoming a very popular resort on Bank Holidays is proved by the increase in the number of visitors on those days. The total for Whit Monday constitutes a record attendance in the annals of the Museum.

A notable event of the year was the visit to Colchester of the Royal Archæological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland under the Presidency of Sir Henry Howorth, K.C.I.E., F.R.S., etc., on which occasion the members visited the Museum, and were much impressed by the fine collection of Romano-British antiquities.

Your Committee have again to gratefully acknowledge their indebtedness to a large number of donors of many extremely interesting and valuable gifts. Many additions have also been made by purchase.

Particular attention should be drawn to the further generosity of your Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A., who, in addition to his valuable gift of ancient British gold coins last year, has now given the whole of the objects deposited by him at various times. Amongst the other gifts three especially deserve notice. A very interesting example of the Essex Chaff Box given by Mr. Hastings Worrin of Priory Lodge, Little Dunmow; a fine Ist Century Burial Group found in the grounds of "Altnacealgach" in Park Road, the gift of Mr. A. T. Osborne; and a volume of Morant MSS. containing a pencil portrait of the historian, which was presented to the Corporation by the Rev. E. F. Hay of Kelvedon.

At a meeting of your Committee in April a letter was read from the Curator of the Technological Museum, Sydney, New South Wales, saying that there was not a single example of Roman pottery in their Museum and asking whether the Colchester Museum could spare a few specimens.

It was unanimously resolved that the request be acceded to and a selection of duplicate specimens be made by the Hon. Curator and Curator, to be despatched forthwith.

The following extract from a letter received by your Curator in acknowledgment, shows how much this gift was appreciated.

The Technological Museum,

Harris Street,

Sydney, 21st October, 1907.

Dear Sir,

I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st June, and also the exhibits advised therein, which I am pleased to say arrived in splendid order and reflect great credit on the packer.

It is difficult to know how to thank you and your Committee for all the kindness shown in sending such a splendid selection, there being nothing like it here. The specimens are being shown in a specially made plate glass show case, and will—I need hardly say—prove of the utmost value to our visitors, for Australians are appreciative of works of art—both fine and applied—and I regard yours as falling into the latter category.

In conclusion I must tender you and your Committee the most grateful thanks of myself and also on behalf of the community, who will, I am sure, appreciate your generosity.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) RICH. T. BAKER,

Arthur G. Wright, Esq., Curator, Corporation Museum.

Curator.

The Castle, Colchester, During the year your Committee met on several occasions to consider certain proposals as to the additional accommodation for Museum purposes, either by the extension of the present Museum or by the building of a new Museum. It is a matter for great regret that neither plan can at present be carried out, as the want of space is becoming a serious question and considerably retards the progress of rearrangement.

One very important step in the improvement of the Museum is the installation of the electric light. It has already proved of great benefit during dull days and has met with universal approval. The installation has been most carefully carried out, the wires being cased in tubes of malleable steel, which in no way detract from the appearance of the ancient portion of the Museum.

At the same time a thorough cleaning was undertaken, the Museum being closed during three weeks in March for the purpose. The vaulting and walls were re-coloured and a new system of ventilation inaugurated.

In the ordinary work of the Museum the most important item is the erection of new cases in the Lower Room, to contain the fine collection of "Bygones." The removal of these late antiquities from the N.E. Recess has also enabled the Curator to rearrange the Mediæval and later Pottery and Glass to greater advantage. The cases have been recoloured a soft shade of green, which gives a very pleasing effect in conjunction with the varied colouring of the contents. The long central case has also been refitted and is undergoing rearrangement.

A good deal of museum work has also been accomplished, such as cleaning, mounting and labelling a large number of objects.

> ERNEST H. BARRITT, Chairman. HENRY LAVER, Hon. Curator. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT, Curator.

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Visitors to the Museum, 1907=8.

		32		Days open.	А	Attendance.	
April	••	••	••	26	• •	377 t	
May	••	••	•••	27	••	4153	
June		••		25	•••	2268	
July	••	••		27	•••	3401	
August		••	•	27	••	7469	
September		••		25	•••	3549	
October		•••		27		1716	
November	•••	••		26		1083	
December				25		1292	
January				27		1038	
February				25	•••	798	
March	••	••	••	8	•••	337	
Total		••		311		* 30,875	

BANK HOLIDAY ATTENDANCES.

Easter Monday, 1st April	••			1446
Whit Monday, 20th May	•••			1572
August Monday, 5th August	••	••		637
Boxing Day, 26th December	••		•••	174

* The total number of Visitors for the year ending March 31st, 1903, was 20,887; 1904, was 27,039; 1905, was 28,408; 1906, was 29,588; 1907, was 31,078.

The Colchester Museum

IS OPEN DAILY FROM

1st April to 30th September—10 a.m. till 5 p.m.

1st October to 31st March-10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

AND CLOSED ON

Sundays, Good Friday, and Christmas Day, and such other days as the Committee may order.

ADMISSION FREE.

It is urgently requested that any discovery of Archæological interest in the neighbourhood may be brought to the notice of either the Chairman, Honorary Curator or the Curator as early as possible.

The Curator will be pleased to give any information in his power, and may be seen daily, Museum engagements permitting.

Photographs and Postcards of many of the most important antiquities may be obtained at moderate prices from the Curator.

Curator .. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT.

List of Additions to the Museum

BY GIFT AND PURCHASE,

From 1st April, 1907, to 31st March, 1908.

All the objects were found in Colchester, unless otherwise stated.



PRE-HISTORIC.

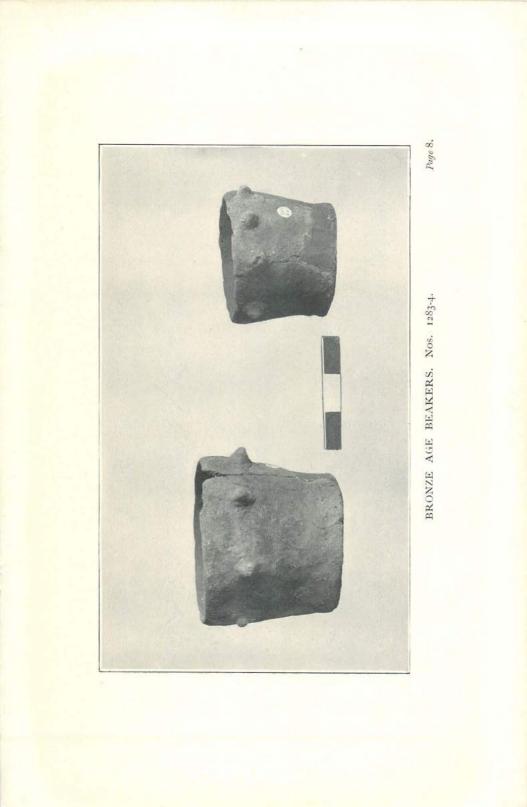
Pile, from the Thames at Brentford. Donor, Mr. Montagu Sharpe, D.L., Middlesex. 1276.

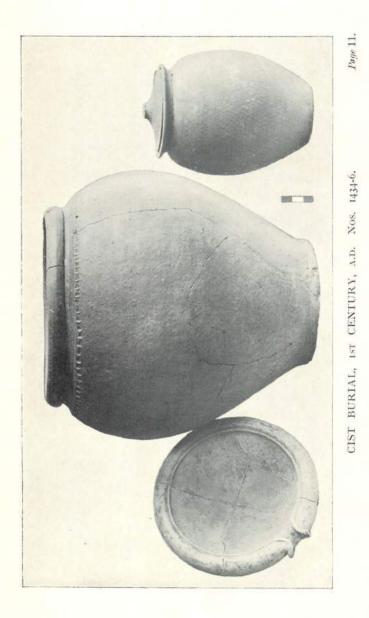
See Archeological Journal, vol. LXIII., pp., 25-39, where Mr. Sharpe puts forward a claim for Brentford being the site of Cæsar's crossing in 54 B.C.

Two small Vases, or Beakers, of dark brown ware, ornamented with a row of pointed bosses just below brims. Late Bronze Age. Purchased. 1283-4.

The missing portions of these little vessels have been restored by the Curator, to show the actual form and size. A third vessel found with them was unfortunately sold elsewhere.

- Molar of Mammoth (*Elephas Primigenius*). Probably from the Clacton Forest Bed. Donor, Mr. George Jackson. 1376.
- Axe-Head of Chipped Flint, found by the Donor at Tendring. Length 64 ins. Donor, Mr. Chalmers. 1396
- Rubber or Polisher made from a sandstone pebble, found by Donor at Mount Bures. Neolithic (?) Donor, the Curator, Mr. Arthur G. Wright. 1442.
- Two Rubbers or Polishers, one imperfect, made from sandstone pebbles, found by Donor at Tolleshunt D'Arcy. Donor, the Curator, Mr. Arthur G. Wright. 1443-4.





ROMANO-BRITISH.

- Ring Key of Bronze, found on Lord's Land. Donor, Mr. William Denman. 1270.
- Fragments of various pottery wares, found at Shoebury. Purchased. 1282.
- Fragment of Pottery of hard grey ware with dark green glaze, ornamented with circles in white slip. Probably Gaulish, 1st century, A.D. Found at Shoebury. Purchased. 1282.
- Vase of pale buff ware. Restored in Museum. Found at Shoebury. Purchased. 1282.
- Neck and fragments of Glass Bottle. Donor, Councillor A. M. Jarmin. 1298.
- Two Pins of bone, one perforated with two holes. Stud, or Pin, of bronze. Two Bronze Pins with ornamented heads. Bronze Needle, or Bodkin. Two Probes, or Ear Picks, of bronze, imperfect. Handle of Bronze Probe, or Spoon. Donor, Mr. Israel Saunders. 1301-9.

Iron Knife with flat tang. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1339.

- Mosaic Flooring. A fragment in white, yellow, light blue and grey *Tesseræ* of small size. Found in Osborne Street, 1901. Donor, Mr. J. J. Arnold. 1351. See *Essex County Standard*, June 29th, 1907.
- Lamp of red micaceous ware, handle wanting. 2nd century, A.D. Donor, Mr. Andrew Oliver. 1355.

- Two fragments of Pottery, with unusual decoration. Probably Late-Celtic, 1st century, A.D. Donor, Mr. Oliver H. North. 1360.
- Fragments of Pottery forming part of a Burial Group, found at Kelvedon. 1st century, A.D. Donor, Mr. Fred. Osborn. 1402.
- Half of a *Patera* of grey ware, with a tooled wheel design on the interior of the base. Found with remains of a Burial Group at Kelvedon. Donor, Mr. Fred. Osborn. 1402.

Mr. H. B. Walters, of the British Museum, considers this to be Belgic ware of the 1st century, A.D.

- Bronze "Terret," or Harness Ring. The flat sides are beautifully ornamented with a characteristic Late-Celtic design in *champlevé* enamel. Although much oxydized the enamel in places still retains its brilliant crimson colour. Found in the Union grounds. Late-Celtic. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1406
- Amphora of globular form, the handles and portion of mouth missing. It was discovered about a foot below the surface and appears to have contained a burial after cremation. Circumference $68\frac{1}{4}$ ins. Found at Colne Engaine. Donor, Mr. J. Dumville Botterell. 1407.
- Two Flue Tiles, with scored sides to act as keys to plaster. Length $15\frac{1}{2}$ inches. These tiles formed part of a later drain found in Councillor Wallace's garden in Serpentine Walk. Donor, Councillor Wallace. 1416.

Two fragments of Bricks or Tiles of unusual thickness, $2\frac{3}{8}$ inches, which formed part of a Roman Tomb in Councillor Wallace's garden in Serpentine Walk. Donor, Councillor Wallace. 1417.

Similar thick bricks, with Red Mortar adhering, are to be seen in the walls of the Castle,

- Brick in shape a quadrant of a circle, the arc 11³/₈ inches. Bricks of this kind were used to form columns. Found in Councillor Wallace's garden in Serpentine Walk, 1907. Donor, Councillor Wallace. 1418.
- Fragments of Roofing Tiles (*Tegulæ*) from a mass of broken tiles and red clay, found in Councillor Wallace's garden in Serpentine Walk, 1907. Donor, Councillor Wallace. 1420.

This deposit may represent the site of a Roman brick yard. One of the tiles bears the impression of a dog's foot, another of a nail head.

Burial Group, consisting of (1) Large Vase of hard grey ware with brown exterior, ornamented with a row of impressions resembling finger marks, under heavy bead brim. Height 24 inches. (2) Urn of dark grey ware with tooled trellis pattern on sides, provided with (3) a tazza-shaped cover of soft red ware covered originally with a fine black glaze. Height 24 inches. (4) Large, well-worn Mortarium of pale buff ware, with impressed ornamental band across rim each side of spout; this had formed the cover of the larger vessel after the urn containing the cremated remains of the dead had been placed in it. This fine example of Cist burial was found in the garden of "Altnacealgach," Park Road, and is of the Early Iron Age, 1st century, A.D. Donor, Mr. A. T. Osborne. 1434-6.

See The Antiquary, vol. 44, p. 163.

Fragment of rim of a small Cup (Dragendorff, type 24) of fine red paste with yellow glaze marbled with red. Made at La Graufesenque, Aveyron, France. 1st century, A.D. Donor, the Assistant, Mr. T. Smith. 1451. See Déchelette. Les Vases Céramiques Ornés, vol. L. p. 67.

See Dechelette, Les Vases Ceramiques Ornes, vol. I, p. 67.

- Small Bottle of buff ware without handle, with short neck. Height 4 inches. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1461.
- Fragments of two Cinerary Urns, a Water Bottle of buff ware; two small *Pateræ* of grey ware; two Drinking Cups of pinkish ware painted chocolate brown, and part of the base of a large Glass Bottle with concentric circles in relief. Found in a Roman tile tomb, in Councillor Wallace's garden, Serpentine Walk, 1907. Donor, Councillor Wallace. 1463.
- Small Patera of black ware, restored in the Museum.Diameter $6\frac{5}{8}$ inches. Found in Roman tile tombin Councillor Wallace's Garden, Serpentine Walk,1907. Donor, Councillor Wallace.1463.
- Two small objects of baked clay resembling tiles, with a circular perforation in the centre of each. $4\frac{5}{8}$ inches by $1\frac{1}{8}$ inches by $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick. Found in a Roman Villa at Grimston, Norfolk, and given for comparison. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1464.

See Norfolk and Norwich Archwological Society's Transactions. Vol. XVI.

Fragments of a Cinerary Urn of brown ware with polished exterior, ornamented on shoulder with two slight beadings. Found in Councillor Wallace's garden in Serpentine Walk. Late-Celtic. Donor, Councillor Wallace. 1465.

- Fragments of a large Urn of grey ware. Found in Magdalen Street. Donor, Mr. W. E. Tydeman. 1476.
- Small Tessera of micaceous red ware, incised or stamped
 P. Probably a theatre ticket. One inch diameter.
 Found by the Donor in his garden in Head Street.
 Donor, Mr. T. Gallifent. 1478.
- Quern. Half of the upper stone of a quern of Hertfordshire Conglomerate, "Pudding-stone," found at Tiptree. Early Iron Age. Donor, Mr. J. H. Hills. 1482.
- Two fragments of Bricks, found in excavating in dam on Baker's farm, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, 1907. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1483.
- Fragments of "Samian" and other wares. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1484-5.
- Three fragments of Pottery, one with decoration new to museum. 1st century, A.D. Purchased. 1492.
- Small Vase of grey ware, with zone of roulette work. Height 3% inches. 1st century, A.D. Purchased. 1501.
- Fragments of *Mortarium* of buff ware, with maker's stamp. Found in Union grounds. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver.

MEDIÆVAL AND LATER.

- Two Samplers worked in silk on fine canvas, one dated 1769. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1271-2.
- Straw-Splitter, in mahogany, perforated for four splitters. Purchased. 1275.

A similar specimen is figured and described in the *Essex Naturalist*, vol. XIV., 1906.

- Portion of Lead Piping, found at St. Osyth's Priory. Donor, Mr. Ernest Rogers. 1277.
- Iron Trap, probably an Otter trap, found on Lord's Land. Donor, Mr. William Denman. 1278.

- Set of eight Hat Moulds in cement or plaster, formerly used in Colchester in the manufacture of straw hats. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1286.
- Iron Lamp with revolving lens, probably used on a locomotive. Donor, Mr J. Gibbs. 1288.
- Horn Beaker, 8 inches high. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1297.
- Three Leaden Weights. 71bs., 11b., and ½1b. The larger weight has an iron ring for lifting and is 3¼ inches high. Found at Dedham. Probably early 18th century. Donor, Mr. Israel Saunders. 1299, 1300, 1363.
- Buckle, in brass and iron. Probably 18th century. Donor, Mr. Israel Saunders. 1310.
- Brass Snuffers. Early 19th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1311.
- Earthenware Cup or Measure, imperfect, found at the Hythe. Donor, Mr. B. Lawrence. 1322.
- Merchant's Ring, of brass, engraved with monogram T.S. beneath a crown. Found at Great Totham. Purchased. 1327.
- Floating Night-Lights, consisting of little wicks with floats to place in a saucer or glass containing olive oil. In common use about 40 years ago. Donor, Miss C. E. Roof. 1328.

Medicine Spoon of Pewter. 19th century. Purchased. 1330.

Pair of Bellows, in wood, with turned front and brass nozzle. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1334

- Tinder Box of iron, circular in form, the lid forming a candlestick. There is an inner lid to cover the tinder. Flint and Steel. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1335.
- Bullet Mould of polished steel, in the form of a pair of pliers. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1336.
- Seal, in brass, the loop pierced with a trefoil. Engraved with two heads vis-a-vis surrounded by an inscription. Probably 14th century. Purchased. 1343.
- Pudding Maid, in common use at beginning of last century to support the pudding bag while the batter was poured in. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1344.
- Tobacco Pipes. A series ranging from Elizabeth to George IV. Found when laying out the Castle Park, 1892. Purchased. 1345.
- Spur, of iron. Norman period. Found in Castle Park, 1892. Purchased. 1346.
- Horse Bit with long curved cheek piece, imperfect. Found in Castle Park, 1892. Purchased. 1347.
- Candle Shade of perforated iron, cylindrical in form, with door in side, 13 inches high. Commonly used in bedrooms and nurseries about 50 years ago. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1348.
- Pair of Snuffers of polished steel, with patent spring blade. Donor, Mr. Andrew Oliver. 1356.
- Smock Frock of brown twill, hand-sewn and embroidered. An Essex example. Purchased. 1361.

- Wax Link or Torch, 36 inches long, $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches square. Found in the vaults of South Sea House, London, after a fire between the years 1810-1820, by the donor's father. Donor, Mr. J. J. Arnold. 1373.
- Swingle of Flail. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1375.
- Three Weaver's Shuttles. Two pairs of Iron Shears with brass springs, and Weaver's Rubber of horn. Purchased. 1382-4.

These were used in Silk Weaving, an extinct Colchester Industry, by Mr. J. Deeks, about 40 years ago.

- Toasting Fork of iron, with two prongs, the handle terminating in two incurved spirals. Length 18¹/₂ inches. Donor, Councillor A. M. Jarmin. 1385.
- Large Glass Spirit Bottle, commonly called a "Jeroboam." 18th century. Donor, Councillor E. A. Blaxill. 1390.
- Puzzle Match Box of brass. Early 19th century. Donor, Mr. John Ellis. 1399.
- Leather Bottle, with a piece cut out of the side to make it a receptacle for odds and ends. Length 7½ inches. Donor, Mr. John Bones. 1401.

These bottles were used, from early in the 17th century, by labourers to carry their ale or cider in. They are immortalized by the old song, *The Leather Bottel*,—"And I wish that in Heaven his soule may dwell, who first found out the leather bottel." See also Report, 1906, p. 8.

- Rush, prepared for dipping into fat to form a rush-light. Donor, Mr. Miller Christy, F.L.S. 1403.
- Bellarmine, or "Greybeard," with mask on neck and a floral medallion on body, found at Layer Marney. German Stoneware, 17th century. Purchased. 1405. These vessels were the common ale nots of Elizabethan times and

These vessels were the common ale pots of Elizabethan times and were also known as "Cullen" (Cologne) ware,

- Painted Glass representing St. John writing in a book with the Eagle at his side and a town in the back ground. Diameter $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1409.
- Iron Hanger, with ratchet and loop adjustment and large iron ring for suspension from a bar crossing the chimney. Great Tey. Donor, Mr. W. Saunders.

The hanger was sometimes called a "Tremble" or "Trammel," and was used to suspend the cooking pot over the open fire.

- Lid of Small Vase of Slipware, found in Greenstead Road. Staffordshire ware. Late 17th century. Donor, Mr. Alfred Purdy. 1415.
- Seven Straw Brimstone Matches, found in a hole in the chimney of an old cottage in Little Dunmow when pulled down some years ago. Donor, Mr. Hastings Worrin. 1419.
- Chaff Box. An interesting example of the old Essex chaff cutter in working order, with modern stool. The late owner John Owers of Bramble End, Little Dunmow, cut from 20 to 25 fans a day with this machine. Donor, Mr. Hastings Worrin. 1410.

In a painting called *The Haybarn*, by Gabriel Metsu, dated 1648, a man is seen in the act of cutting hay with a similar machine. See *The Burlington Magazine*, vol. ix., p. 358.

Cooking Pot of hard red ware with concave base and two small handles. It is ornamented on each side with the Pomegranate, in pale buff slip. Restored in the museum. Height 9½ inches. 16th century. Donor, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1430.

The Pomegranate was the badge of Katherine of Aragon, the wife of Henry VIII.

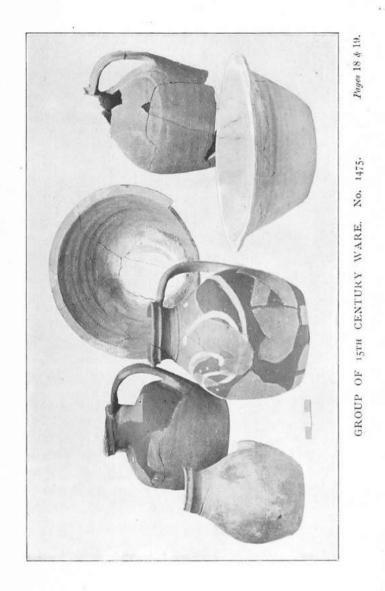
- Mole Traps. Two modern examples of the old wooden mole trap, with hazel rod spring and pegs Donor, Mr. Hastings Worrin. 1437-8.
- Pair of Snuffers and Extinguisher with Tray of Japanned iron. Pontypool ware (i). Early 19th century. Purchased. 1439.
- Small Horn Beaker, height 24 inches. Early 19th century. Purchased. 1440.
- Tobacco-Stopper of brass with seal engraved with the initials W.M. Early 18th century. Purchased. 1441.
- Shoeing Smith's Skiver of iron, in general use about 40 years ago for paring horses' hooves before shoeing. Donor, Mr. F. List. 1460.
- Bead of Ivory or bone, spherical in form with small perforation. Probably a Rosary bead. Found in Castle Park. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1462.
- Shot Flask in leather, with embossed medallion on side representing a gunner with three pointers. Obtained at Avely. Donor, Mr. H. W. Lewer. 1466.
- Fragments of Stained Glass set in lead, said to have been inserted in a window at Preston Hall, on the occasion of a visit from Queen Elizabeth in 1579. Donor, Mr. J. H. Hills. 1471.

Spring Gun. Purchased.

These Spring Guns were usually set in orchards, gardens, or coverts, and were deliberately intended to maim or kill any invader, whether man or dog. They became, like the Man Trap, illegal after 1827. See "Man Traps and Spring Guns," by Miller Christy, F.L.S., *Windsor Magazine*, vol. 1901.

A large number of Fragments of Mediæval Pottery, found during excavations in the donors' yard Magdalen Street, in September, 1907. Many of

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these have been put together and partially restored by the Curator, and form an interesting group of 15th century ware, consisting of two Basons or bowls of a new type, and four Jugs or "Gotches" with slip decoration. Donors, Messrs. Groom, Daniels & Co. 1475.

Small Vase of red ware with white glazed exterior. Found at Lexden. 18th century. Donor, Mr. A. G. Wheeler. 1477.

Iron Padlock. 18th century. Donor, Mr. C. S. B. Webb. 1486.

Small Costril of coarse red ware, glazed on upper part, neck wanting. Found at Lexden. 17th century (?) Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1503.

COINS AND TOKENS.

- "Third Brass" of Tetricus (A.D. 267-272), Rev. SPES PVBLICA. Donor, Mr. William Denman. 1279.
- Farthing of George IV., 1826. Donor, Mr. Robert Oakes. 1287.
- Half Groat of Elizabeth. London Mint. Donor, Mr. J. Gibbs. 1290.

Florin of Charles II. Donor, Mr. J. Gibbs. 1289.

"Third Brass" of Carausius (A.D. 287-294), Rev. PAX AVG and five others. Donor, Mr. J. Gibbs. 1291-6.

 Bronze Coin of Cunobeline, Obv. A winged Sphinx or Androcephalous Horse, CVNO. Rev. A warrior marching to left, holding a head. CAMV. Found in Colchester. Purchased. 1340.

See Evans, Coins of the Ancient Britons, pl. xii., fig. 10.

"Third Brass" of Magnentius (A.D. 350-353), Rev. VICTORIA DD NN AVG ET CAE (?) found at Great Horkesley. Donor, Rev. J. Eld. 1379.

"First Brass" of Domitian (A.D. 81-96), Rev. MONETA AVGVSTA. S.C. Found at Tollesbury, Purchased. 1380.

Farthing of William and Mary, 1692. Donor, Mr. John S. Goodchild. 1388.

Silver Denarius of Severus (A.D. 193-211), *Rev.* Victory with shield. VICT AETERN. Purchased. 1395.

- Trade Token Obv. IERVEMY ERDS. Rev. OF MANINGTRE IN ESSEX 30 I.E. | 1655. Purchased. 1398.
- Trade Token. Obv. (a) | 1667. ABRA LANGLEY IVNR. IN Rev. COLCHESTER, BAYMAKR. LANGLEY Donor, Sir John Evans, K.C.M.G., F.R.S., etc.
- Silver Penny of Richard I. Winchester Mint. Moneyer, Willem on Wine. Found in Castle Park. Purchased. 1504.
- Silver Denarius of the Roman Republic, struck about 90 B.C., by the Moneyer, Claudius Pulcher. *Obv.* Head of Rome, helmeted. *Rev.* Victory driving a Biga. CL. PVLCHER. Found in Colchester. Purchased. 1505.

Identified by Mr. H. Grueber, F.S.A., Keeper of Coins and Medals, British Museum.

Silver Denarius of the Roman Republic struck by the moneyer Q. Sicinius in B.C. 49, just before Pompey left for Brundusium, *Obv.* Type of a female head. FORT. *Rev.* Palm branch, caduceus and laurel crown. IIIVIR. Q. SICINIVS. Found in Colchester. Purchased. 1514.

Identified by Mr. H. Grueber, F.S.A., Keeper of Coins and Medals, British Museum.

- Quadrans of the Roman Republic circa BC. 125. Obv. Head of Hercules. Rev. a galley or ship. Found in Colchester. Purchased. 1515. Identified by Mr. H. Grueber, F.S.A., Keeper of Coins and Medals, British Museum.
- Copper coin of Melita (Malta), 1st century, B.C. Found in Colchester. Purchased. 1516. Identified by Mr. H. Grueber, F.S.A., Keeper of Coins and Medals, British Museum.

PRINTS, MAPS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND PRINTED MATTER.

- Large Map of Colchester by Josiah Parish, shewing sites of discoveries of Roman remains. Similar to the map hanging in entrance lobby to Crypt. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1312.
- Two pencil drawings of the old Bay Mill, Dedham, made by a working man who occupied part of the building and who took up drawing late in life and was self taught. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1313-14.
- Water-colour drawing of a Roman Lamp in the Museum, by Major Bale. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1315.
- Pencil drawing of Roman Mosaic pavement found in Mrs. Prosser's garden. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1316.

Four water colour drawings of wall paintings in Fingringhoe Church, by Mr. W. French. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A.

1317-1320,

Water-colour drawing of Roman mosaic pavement found at No. 18 North Hill, made while *in stitu* soon after its discovery, by Major Bale. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A.

1321.

- Portion of the Poor Rate book of St. Martin's Parish, Colchester, for the year . Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1337.
- Twenty-two old Prints of Essex and Colchester Views and Worthies, mounted on cards. Purchased. 1362.
- Lithographic reproduction of a Rubbing (reduced) of the fine brass of Sir Robert de Bures, 1302, in Acton Church, Suffolk. Donor, Mr. E. Montagu Benton. 1378.
- Four photo Post Cards of Antiquities in York Museum, viz., (1, 2) Incised "Samian" bowls, (3) Statue of Geta, (4) Painted "Samian" vase. Donor, Mr. Oxley Grabham, Curator. 1381.
- Poster, Notice of Public Meeting of Freemen of Colchester, May 17th, 1882. Donor, Councillor A. M. Jarmin. 1387.
- Two Photographs of Old Essex Chaff-box, one showing method of working, with portrait of late owner, John Owers of Bramble End, Little Dunmow. Donor, Mr. Hastings Worrin. 1419. (Reproduced in "Essex Review," Vol. xvii., pp. 24 and 26.)
- "A Mapp of ye County of Essex," by Richard Blome, 1675. Purchased. 1452.

Map of Essex, by Robert Morden, 1695. Purchased.

1453.

- Map of "Essex * * * with the most antient and fayre town Colchester * * * anno 1610," by John Norden and I. Speede. Purchased. 1454.
- Map of "Essexia" (with several pages of letterpress), by Chris. Saxton, 1610. Purchased. 1455.
- "Essex," with map and several plates, extracted from Vol. II. of "The New British Traveller," published by J. Robins & Co., 1819. Purchased. 1456.
- "A New Map of the County of Essex," printed for C. Smith, No. 172 Strand, January 6th, 1804. Purchased. 1457.
- "A New Map of the County of Essex * * * by Mr. Thomas Dix," 1816. Purchased. 1458.
- "Map of the County of Essex from an actual Survey made in the year 1824 by C. and I. Greenwood * ** 1831." Purchased. 1459.
- "A Genealogical Chart of the Kings and Queens of England from the reign of William the Conqueror to that of His Most Gracious Majesty, George the Fourth. Engraved by W. T. Fry and published by George Taylor, junr., London." Mounted on cloth and rollers and varnished. Purchased. 1479.
- Photograph of a drawing of the Bartlow Hills, Essex, by Maynard. The original is preserved in the Saffron Walden Museum. Donor, Mr. Guy Maynard, Curator. 1481.
- Large measured and coloured drawing of St. Botolph's Priory, Colchester, made by A. L. Snow, January, 1908. Donors, the Architectural Association, per Messrs. Maule and Driver. 1487

Seven photographs of Roman Helmets and Vizors, and Bronze Jug, found during excavations on the site of the Roman Military Station at Newstead, near Melrose, 1906-7. Donor, Mr. James Curle, F.S.A.

1490.

Two photo-fascimiles of an Indulgence issued by Prior Driver of the Monastery of the Holy Cross(Crouched Friars) in Colchester in 1523. Donor, the Rev. Prebendary James Fraser, M.A. 1491.

The original Indulgence was discovered with another in a book cover

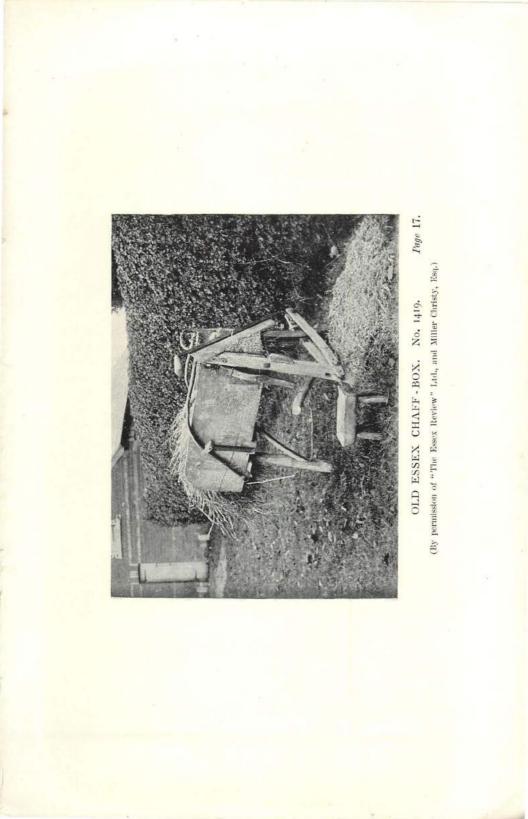
in Chichester Cathedral Library and bears the Imprint of Richard Pynson, the King's Printer. The second and less perfect original Indulgence has been presented by the Dean and Chapter of Chichester Cathedral through Prebendary Fraser to the Essex Archaeological Society, and is preserved in the Corporation Museum.

See Sussex Archaological Collections, vol. L., pp. 109-116, pl. xiv.

- Six photographs of Great and Little Wakering and Barling Churches and of Cressing Temple Barn by Mr. J. S. K. Cutts. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1400.
- Three photographs of Bronze Age Pottery found at Nayland. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, FS.A. 1500.
- Volume of Morant's MSS. with pencil portrait of the Rev. Philip Morant. Donor, the Rev. E. F. Hay, Kelvedon. 1513.

LOAN.

Large Vase of Buff Ware with two small handles, inscribed on side. Vase of dark grey ware ornamented on shoulder and zone. Vase of grey ware with cordon and tooled horizontal lines. Patera of grey ware. Water bottle of buff ware, and "third brass" coin unidentified. Found in garden of No. 27 Lexden Road. Deposited by Messrs. F. H. and G. W. Keeling. 1285.



Museum Library.

ADDITIONS BY GIFT AND PURCHASE, From 1st April, 1907, to 31st March, 1908.

BOOKS, GUIDES, PAMPHLETS, &c.

"The Great Ford over the Thames," by Montagu Sharpe, D.L., Middlesex (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1274.
"Hull Museum Publications," by Thomas Sheppard, F.G.S., Curator. Nos. 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50. Donor, the Author,

1280, 1281, 1370, 1389, 1426-8, 1469-70.

- "Iter V. and Iter IX. of Antonine," by the Rev. A. C. Yorke. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1324.
- "The Obsidional Money of the Great Rebellion, 1642-1649," by Philip Nelson, M D. Purchased. 1326.
- "The Year's Work in Classical Studies," 1906. Purchased. 1333.
- "Note on a Roman Sword Handle, found at Dorchester," by John E. Acland. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1341.
- "Notes on a Hoard of eleven Stone Knives, found in Scotland," by Robert Munro, LL.D. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1342.
- "Guide to Worcester Museum," by W. H. Edwards, Curator. Donor, the Author. 1350.
- "Catalogue of Antiquities in the Museum of the Wiltshire Archæological and Natural History Society at Devizes." Part I. Purchased. 1352.

"The Romanization of Roman Britain," by F. J. Haverfield. (Reprint.) Purchased. 1359.

"Archæologia," vol. 60, part 1. Purchased. 1364.

- "Nine Men's Morris," by A. R. Goddard, B.A.; "The Bartlow Hills," by A. R. Goddard, B.A.; "The Underground Strong Room at Richborough," by A. R. Goddard, B.A. (Reprints). Donor, Mrs. M. E. Spencer. 1365-7.
- "The Public Library Journal," Cardiff, vols. 1 to 4 (inclusive). Donor, Mrs. M. E. Spencer. 1368.
- "Descriptive Catalogue of Antiquities and miscellaneous objects preserved in the Museum of Thomas Bateman at Lomberdale House, Derbyshire." Purchased. 1391.
- "The Coffin of William Harvey, M.D., Hempstead Church, Essex," by G. Montagu Benton. (Reprint.) Donor, the Author. 1392.
- "Melandra Castle," edited by R. S. Conway, Litt. D. Purchased. 1393.
- "Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum," vol. xiii., pt. iii., fas. ii. Purchased. 1400.
- "The Roman Forts on the Bar Hill, Dumbartonshire," by George Macdonald, LL.D., and Alexander Park, F.S.A., Scot. Purchased. 1401A.
- "Report of Committee on Ancient Earthworks," 1907. Donor, the Hon. Secretary, Mr. I. Chalkley Gould, F.S.A. 1404.
- "Catalogue of a Collection of English Pottery Figures, deposited on loan at the Royal Museum and Art Galleries, Peel Park, Salford," 1906. Purchased. 1408.

- "British Museum. Guide to the Mediæval Room." Purchased. 1413.
- "Notes on the opening of a Bronze Age Barrow at Manton, near Marlborough," by Mrs. M. E. Cunnington. (Reprint.) Donor, Mr. B. Howard Cunnington, F.S.A., Scot. 1414.
- "The Civilization of the East," from the German by Dr. Fritz Hommel. Purchased. 1422.
- "Celtic Britain," by J. Rhys, M.A., D.Litt. (Oxon), 1904. Purchased. 1431.
- "Roman Britain," by Edward Conybeare, 1903. Purchased. 1432.
- "The Destruction of Camulodunum by Boadicea," by Henry Laver, F.S.A. Donor, the Author 1445.
- "Palæolithic Vessels of Egypt," by Robert de Rustafjaell, F.R.G.S. Purchased. 1446.
- "The Wreck on Pudding-pan Rock, Herne Bay, Kent," by Reginald A. Smith, B.A., F.S.A. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1448.
- "On a Roman Villa recently discovered at Grimston, Norfolk," by Henry Laver, F.S.A. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1467.
- "Who were the Romans?" by William Ridgeway. (Reprint). Purchased. 1480.
- "A Guide to the Charbonnier Collection of Pewter in Taunton Castle Museum." Purchased. 1493.
- "Guide to the Department of Greek and Roman Antiquities in the British Museum," 1908. Purchased. 1494.
- "Excavations on the Site of the Roman Fort at Pevensey. First Report, 1906-7." Purchased. 1495.

- "On the Gallo-Roman Potters' Marks on *Terra Sigillata* (Samian) Ware, found at Lancaster and Quernmore," by Alice Johnson, and
- "On the Ornamented *Terra Sigillata* (Samian) Pottery found at Lancaster," by Thomas May, F.S.A., Scot. (Two reprints in one cover). Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1496.
- "The Excavations on the Romano-British site at Wilderspool, during 1905," by Thomas May, F.S.A., Scot. (Reprint). Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1497.
- "On the Recent Discovery of two Ancient Ditches * * * Cambridge," by Professor T. McKenny Hughes, M.A., F.R.S. (Reprint). Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1498.
- "The Roman Military Station at Newstead, near Melrose." Reports of Excavations, 1906 and 1907. Donor, Mr. James Curle, F.S.A. 1507-8.
- "Short Guide to the Silchester Collection," by George E. Fox, F.S.A. Third edition, 1908. Donor, the Author. 1510.
- The "Essex Naturalist," Vol. XV., parts 1, 2, 3. Donors, the Council of the Essex Field Club. 1374-1517.
- The "Museums Journal," Vol. VI., 1906-7. Subscription. 1518.
- The "Reliquary," Vol. XIII., 1907. Quarterly. Donor, the Editor, Mr. J. Romilly Allen, F.S.A. 1510.

REPORTS.

RECEIVED FROM THE RESPECTIVE CURATORS. Brighton, County Borough Museums, etc. Cambridge, Museum of General and Local Archæology. Cardiff, The Welsh Museum. Chester, Society of Natural Science, etc. Edinburgh, Royal Scottish Museum. Glasgow, Corporation Museum, etc. Ipswich, Borough Museum, etc. Kings Lynn, Corporation Museum. London (C C.) Horniman Museum and Library. Maidstone, Borough Museum. Manchester, Owen's College Museum. Norwich, Castle Museum. Oxford, Ashmolean Museum, etc. Plymouth, Municipal Museum, etc. Salisbury, South Wilts. and Blackmore Museum. St. Alban's, Hertfordshire County Museum. Taunton, Castle Museum. Trier, Germany, Provinzialmuseum, 1904-5, 1905-6. Washington, U.S.A., National Museum. Wisbech, Museum, etc. Worcester, Public Library, Museum, etc. Yarmouth, Great, Borough Museum, etc. York, Yorkshire Philosophical Society.

N.B.—Curators of Museums will much oblige by forwarding their Reports in exchange as issued.

List of Donors.

1st April, 1907, to 31st March, 1908.

Acland, John E. (Dorchester). Allen, J. Romilly (London). Architectural Association (London). Arnold, J. J. Benton, E. Montagu (Cambridge). Blaxill, E. A. Bones, John (Elmstead Market). Botterell, J. Dumville (Colne Park). Chalmers, - (Tendring). Christy, Miller (Chignal St. James). Cunnington, B. Howard (Devizes). Curle, James (Melrose, N.B.) Denman, William. Edwards, W. H. (Dorcester). Eld, Rev. J. (Polstead). Ellis, John. Essex Field Club. Fox, George E. (London). Fraser, Rev. James (Chichester). Gallifent, T. Gibbs, J. Goodchild, John S. (East Bergholt). Gould, I. Chalkley (Loughton). Grabham, Oxley (York). Groom, Daniels & Co. Hay, Rev. E. F. (Kelvedon). Hills, J. H. (Tiptree). Jackson, George. Jarmin, A. M.

Laver, Henry (Hon. Curator). Laver, Philip G. Lawrence, B. Lewer, H. W. (Loughton). List, F. Maynard, Guy (Saffron Walden). Munro, Robert (Largs, N.B.) North, Oliver H. (Shorncliffe). Oakes, Robert (Nayland). Oliver, Andrew (London). Osborne, A. T. Osborn, Fred. (Kelvedon). Purdy, Alfred. Rogers, Ernest. Roof, Miss C. E. (Maldon). Saunders, Israel. Saunders, W. Sharpe, Montagu (Hanwell). Sheppard, Thos. (Hull). Smith, Reginald A. (British Museum). Smith, T. (Assistant). Spencer, Mrs. M. E. (Oxford). Tydeman, W. E. Wallace, R. W. Webb, C. S. B. (Bures). Wheeler, A. G. (Clacton-on-Sea). Worrin, Hastings (Little Dunmow). Wright, Arthur G. (Curator). Yorke, Rev. A. C. (Fowlmere).

FORMS OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath out of such part of my personal Estate as may by Law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Colchester, the sum of

free from Legacy Duty, for the Benefit of the Corporation Museum of Antiquities, to be expended in such a way as they may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Borough shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

I bequeath*

* ANTIQUITIES

OBJECTS, to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Golchester (Free from Legacy Duty, which Duty I direct shall be paid out of my pure personalty). for the benefit of the Corporation Museum of Antiquities, either for Exhibition, or for such other purposes as they may deem expedient; and I further direct that the Receipt of the Town Clerk for the time being of the said Borough, shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

Borough of



Colchester.

THE

Corporation Museum

LOCAL ANTIQUITIES.

OF

(FOUNDED, 1846.)

REPORT

OF THE

Museum and Muniment Committee,

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1909.

PRICE-TWOPENCE.

Colchester : "The Essex County Telegraph." 1909.

Committee and Officers, 1908-9.

Committee :

COUNCILLOR E. H. BARRITT, J.P., Chairman. THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR, Deputy-Chairman, (COUNCILLOR W. GURNEY BENHAM, J.P.)

> Alderman H. Laver, J.P. Councillor J. F. Bare. Councillor E. A. Blaxill. Councillor F. S. Collinge. Councillor A. M. Jarmin.

The following are not on the Council, but represent the Essex Archaeological Society.

> THE REV. T. H. CURLING, B.A. MR. PHILIP G. LAVER. MR. DOUGLASS ROUND, M.A.

Ibonorary Curator: Alderman Henry Laver, J.P., F.S.A.

> Curator: Arthur G. Wright.

Hssistant: Theobald Smith.

The Corporation Museum.

To the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Colchester.

GENTLEMEN,

We beg to submit our Seventh Annual Report on the Corporation Museum.

It will be observed, that there is a falling off in the number of visitors during the past year. This, we think, is not in any way due to a lack of interest in the Museum, but is probably owing to the new regulations regarding the Castle, a regular charge for seeing over which, is now made by the owner.

Many visitors have been under the impression that this charge includes the Museum and we have taken steps to counteract this impression by the more prominent display of notice boards informing the public that the MUSEUM is FREE.

The installation of the electric light has already proved of great benefit during the dull days of winter and has been much appreciated.

It is still a matter for great regret that more space cannot be obtained for the proper exhibition of the rapidly growing collections. This is a serious drawback to the progress of the Museum from an educational point of view, as well as a hindrance to a proper classification and arrangement.

On the 14th July, your Chairman and Curator attended the inaugural meeting of the Museums Association's Nineteenth Annual Conference at Ipswich. On the 16th, the Association in response to an invitation from your Chairman, paid a visit to Colchester Museum where an address was delivered by your Honorary Curator and the members were afterwards entertained to tea by Mrs. Barritt in the Moot Hall. Your Committee have again to record their indebtedness to the large number of donors of many valuable and interesting gifts.

Foremost amongst these is the valuable collection of Late-Celtic and Romano-British Pottery, Mirrors and Beads formed by the late Major Spitty, of Billericay, about the year 1860, in the neighbourhood of which town the relics were found. The collection, which includes several rare examples of Late-Celtic Vases and Tazzas, has been given by Mrs. Reade, of Hurlocks, Billericay, a former resident in Colchester.

Lady Grant Duff has given some rare examples of Late-Celtic Pottery, most of which has been repaired and restored by the Curator, from fragments found during recent excavations in Lexden Park. One of these is a globular cordoned Pot with a flanged lid; only three examples have been found in this country, all of which are in the Colchester Museum.

To Mr. G. W. Gould, of Chigwell Lodge, we are indebted for a valuable collection of "Bygones," and several local antiquities, formed by the late Mr. I. Chalkley Gould, a well-known Essex antiquary.

From Sir John Johnson, St. Osyth's Priory, we have received a valuable set of Stone Implements for comparative purposes, and several interesting Roman and other antiquities found in St. Osyth's Park. We are also indebted to him for allowing several excavations to be made in the Park, with a view to the discovery of further antiquities.

To the Trustees of the British Museum your Committee are indebted for the gift of a copy of their recently published "Catalogue of the Roman Pottery in the Departments of the British Museum," by Mr. H. B. Walters, M.A., F.S.A.

Another gift which deserves special notice, is the Bowl of Gaulish Red Glazed Ware, (commonly known as "Samian"), the fragments of which were found and presented by Mr. T. Smith, the Assistant. It bears the potter's name, and was probably made between A.D. 160-180. This form of bowl is rarely found in Britain.

A large number of valuable and interesting antiquities have also been added to the collections by purchase.

A new case has been erected along the top of the desk case in the south-east recess for the exhibition of the smaller vessels of Romano-British Ware, which has allowed a number of Burial Groups to be shown together in the wall case adjoining.

Two or three exhibition cases of modern design are, however, much needed to replace others which are of obsolete make and have long since become quite unsuited to museum purposes, but unfortunately the limited funds at the disposal of your Committee have precluded their purchase.

During the winter months your Curator has been employed in repairing and restoring a large number of specimens, in transcribing the archæological entries in the old Accessions Book, and in the preparation of drawings and labels for the various departments.

The Committee are satisfied the year has been one of considerable activity in this department of the Council's work. The very warm interest on the part of the Honorary Curator and the constant attention to every matter of detail shown by the Curator and his Assistant have continued to enhance the usefulness and value of the collections among the museums of the country.

> ERNEST H. BARRIIT, Chairman. HENRY LAVER, Hon. Gurator. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT, Curator.

Visitors to the Museum, 1908=9.

		36		Days open.	А	Attendance.	
April			• •	25	••	3817	
May	••		• •	26	••	1977	
June				26		3924	
July		·		27	•••	2488	
August				27		7179	
September				26	• •	3387	
October	•••			27		1586	
November	••			2 5		1207	
December			• •	26	•••	1077	
January				26		1305	
February				24		886	
March	••		•••	27	•••	1006	
Total	••			312		* 29839	

BANK HOLIDAY ATTENDANCES.

Easter Monday, 20th April				1506
Whit Monday, 8th June	• •	• •		903
August Monday, 3rd August	•••		• •	694
Boxing Day, 26th December			••	140

The total number of Visitors for the year ending March 31st, 1903, was 20,887; 1904, was 27,039; 1905, was 28,408; 1906, was 29,588; 1907, was 31,078; 1908, was 30,875.

The Colchester Museum

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IS OPEN DAILY FROM

1st April to 30th September—10 a.m. till 5 p.m. 1st October to 31st March—10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

AND CLOSED ON

Sundays, Good Friday, and Christmas Day, and such other days as the Committee may order.

ADMISSION FREE.

It is urgently requested that any discovery of Archæological interest in the neighbourhood may be brought to the notice of either the Chairman, Honorary Curator or the Curator as early as possible.

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Curator .. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT,

List of Additions to the Museum

BY GIFT AND PURCHASE,

From 1st April, 1908, to 31st March, 1909.

All the objects were found in Colchester, unless otherwise stated.

STONE AND BRONZE AGES.

Number of Flint Flakes, Scrapers, etc., found by the Donor at Walton-on-the-Naze. Neolithic. Donor, Mr. Oliver H. North. 1558. The collection contains several examples of the "Pigmy" tools.

- Sixteen Flint Flakes and Scrapers, found at Otten Belchamp. Neolithic. Donor, the Rev. H. P. Parmenter. 1559.
- Flint Implement, roughly chipped, probably Neolithic. Donor, Mr. H. Humm. 1563.
- Valuable Set of Stone Implements from Sweden, for purposes of comparison. Neolithic. Donor, Sir John Johnson. 1606.
- Worked Flint Flake, found by the Donor in ancient river gravel at Kelvedon. Palæolithic. Donor, Mr. F. J. Bennett, F.G.S. 1621.
- Flint Implement, pointed type with heavy butt, ochreously stained. Found at Leyton, Essex. Palæolithic. Donor, Mr. J. Barton Caldecott. 1648.
- Flint Implement, pointed type, butt imperfect. Found at Leytonstone, Essex. Palæolithic. Purchased.

1651.

Fragment of Pot, on the interior of which is the impression of coarsely woven linen, made when the clay was wet; on the exterior, "thumb-mark" decoration. Found at Shoebury. Bronze Age. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1681.

The impression of the linen suggests that these pots were sometimes made on grass models bound round with linen.

Cinerary Urn (*Abercromby*^{*}, type i.) of large size and coarse red ware; rim wanting; below neck, a row of "thumb-nail" indentions — — —. Found in an inverted position, accompanied by two small urns of similar type (Nos. 1745-1746). Present height 10¹/₂ ins. Found at Alphamstone. Bronze Age. Purchased. (*Plate I.*) 1744.

* "The Relative Chronology of some Cinerary Urn Types," by the Hon. John Abercromby, F.S.A. Scot., *Proc. Society of Antiquaries of Seotland*, vol. XLI. See also, Mortimer, "Forty Years' Researches," p. 127, pl. xxxix., fig. 322, and pl. xlix., fig. 401, for similar inversion and decoration.

- Cinerary Urn of small size, same type as No. 1744, and found in same grave, of coarse red ware; the rim is ornamented with four rows of circular punctures Part restored. Height $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins. Found at Alphamstone. Bronze Age. Purchased. (*Plate I.*) 1745.
- Cinerary Urn of similar type, and found in same grave as Nos. 1744, 1745, of coarse buff ware unornamented. Partly restored. Height 4 ins. Found at Alphamstone. Purchased. (*Plate I.*) 1746.
- Cinerary Urn of coarse red ware; the broad overhanging rim shows traces of a trellis pattern of twisted cord indentions, apparently much worn and obliterated. Height 9^1_4 ins. Found at Alphamstone. Bronze Age. Purchased. (*Plate I.*) 1747.

EARLY IRON AGE (LATE-CELTIC).

Upper Stone of Quern of Hertfordshire Conglomerate ("Puddingstone") with horizontal opening in side for handle. Purchased. 1550.

This stone had for many years been used to keep open a gate at the Cowper's Arms Inn, Ford Street, near which place it had doubtless been found.

- Cinerary Pot of brown ware, of globular form with narrow upright neck, ornamented on shoulder with three narrow cordons. Repaired and restored by the Curator from fragments found near Barnston, Essex. Height $7\frac{3}{4}$ ins., diameter $8\frac{1}{4}$ ins. Late-Celtic, 1st century, B.C. Donor, Mr. H. Turner. (*Plate V. No.* 1.) 1581.
- A valuable Collection of Late-Celtic and Romano-British Antiquities, consisting of Pedestal Vases, Cordoned and Carinated Pots and Tazzas, Fluted or Indented Vases, and Platters of brown, grey, and painted wares: Late-Celtic Bronze Mirrors and Jet Beads. The Collection was formed by the late Major Spitty, of Billericay, near which town the relics were found about the year 1860. Donor, Mrs. C. G. S. Reade. (*Plates II. III. IV.*) 1616.

Many of the above specimens have been repaired and restored by the Curator, but others remain to be treated. When completed, the whole will be arranged and exhibited as the "Spitty Collection," and a detailed account will be published.

Fragments of Pottery found in a Late-Celtic rubbish heap at Oare, Wiltshire, for purposes of comparison. Donor, Mrs. B. H. Cunnington. 1658.

For interesting and valuable notes on Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Cunnington's discoveries at Oare, see *Reliquary*, January, 1909, and *Man* February, 1909. Fragments of Late-Celtic and Romano-British Pottery from a dwelling site at Chigwell, Essex, explored by the late Mr. I. Chalkley Gould. Donor, Mr. G. W. Gould. 1659.

Some of this pottery is of a similar character to that found by Mr. and Mrs. Cunnington at Oare, with the characteristic bead rim, and points to an early occupation of the Chigwell site. See Essex Field Club, Museum Handbook, No. 2.

- Pedestalled Vase of reddish brown ware with smooth exterior, the shoulder slightly angular, narrow cordon or beading round pedestal, imperfect. Height $10\frac{3}{4}$ ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate VI. No. 2.*) 1756.
- Pedestalled Vase of brown ware with polished exterior, narrow bead or cordon round pedestal, hole in side restored. Height 10 ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate VI. No.* 1.) 1757.
- Pedestalled Vase of brown ware with polished exterior, narrow bead or cordon round pedestal; repaired and rim restored. Height 10¹/₄ ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate VI. No.* 3.) 1758.
- Cordoned Pot of brown ware, with flanged lid; the exterior shows traces of a glaze or polish; repaired and restored. Height 7⁵/₈ ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate VI*.) 1759.

This pot resembles those in the Colchester and Braintree Burial Groups, see Reports for 1903-4 and 1904-5.

- Small Pedestal Cup or Tazza, with flanged lid, of brown ware with traces of a glaze or polish; slightly restored. Height 6½ ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate VI.*) 1760.
- Small Bowl of brown ware with polished exterior, of sub-carinated form, with slight cordon on shoulder; slightly restored. Height 2¹/₂ ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate V1.*) 1761.
- Small Vase of brown ware, unpolished, of elegant form with everted rim. Height 4¹/₄ ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate VI.*) 1762.
- Large Cinerary Pot of light brown ware, with traces of darker glaze or polish; sub-carinated form with wide mouth and cordon on shoulders. Height $6\frac{1}{4}$ ins. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic, 1st century B.C. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate V. No.* 2.) 1763.
- Carinated Vase of hard grey ware, with tooled exterior, wide mouth with everted rim and groove round periphery of shoulder. Height 6 ins. Found in Lexden Park. Gaulish ware, 1st century, A.D. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. (*Plate VI.*) 1764.
- Two fragments of a Bowl of Kimmeridge Shale, with concave sides ornamented with narrow beads or cordons. The perfect vessel probably resembled the large Tazza in the "Spitty Collection," but was provided with a flat base instead of a pedestal. Found in Lexden Park. Late-Celtic. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. 1765.

Several fragments of Pedestalled and Carinated Vases and Pots, and of other vases, found in Lexden Park. Donor, Lady Grant Duff. 1766. Of the above, Nos. 1756 to 1761 inclusive were all found in association.

ROMANO-BRITISH PERIOD.

- Small bronze Fibula, with coiled "rat-trap" spring and pin in one piece. The harp-shaped bow is ornamented with two rows of triangles in blue enamel. Early 2nd century, A.D. Purchased. 1554.
- Longitudinal Half of a Bone Sword Handle; the ornamentation consists of alternate concave and convex mouldings. Length 4¹/₂ins. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1556.
- Fragment of "Samian" Bowl (*Dragendorff*, type 37) with erotic subject. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1562.
- Fragments of "Castor Ware," with slip and roulette ornamentation. Donor, Mr. A. W. Frost. 1582.
- Small bronze Fibula, with hinge pin, in the form of a small cask in each end of which is set a tiny light blue glass bead. Length 1¹/₃ins. About 2nd century, A.D. Purchased. 1583.
- Small Iron Pruning Knife, of a type often found on Late-Celtic sites. Length 3ins. Donor, Dr. Philip Gosse. 1587.
- Fragment of the rim of an Amphora, with an incised mark, probably of ownership; and a fragment of the handle of a red painted vase. Donor, Dr. Philip Gosse, 1588-89.

- Bone Hair-pin, imperfect, with oblong eye for fillet. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1599.
- Fragment of Glass Vessel of clear white, with hollow rim, below which is engraved the tail of a fish. Donor, Mr. A. W. Frost. 1603.

The fish is often found, as a sacred emblem, on glass vessels of this period.

Fragments of various wares, found in St. Osyth's Park. Donor, Sir John Johnson. 1607.

Many of these sherds were found during the autumn of 1908, on or near the site of a Roman villa. They have not yet been systematically examined by the Curator, but many are of 1st century, A.D.

- Fragment of Painted Red Ware with frill pattern under rim: three fragments of plain "Samian" ware: fragment of Late-Celtic ware with tooled lines on shoulder. 1st century, A.D. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1611.
- Bone Hair Pin, with globular head. Length 27/8 ins. Donor, Mr. W. Smith. 1623.
- Indented Vase, of brown ware with dark exterior. Found in rubbish pit near the site of the Roman villa in St. Osyth's Park. Height $7\frac{3}{4}$ ins. Donor, Sir John Johnson. (*Plate VIII. No.* 2.) 1626.

This type of vase is often referred to as "New Forest Ware," but "wasters" have also been found in kilns at Colchester, shewing they were of local manufacture, probably in various districts. See Trans. Essex Arch. Soc., N.S., vol. L, pp. 192-196.

- Base of Vase, on exterior of which is an incised +, probably the owner's mark. Found at Coggeshall. Donor, Mr. F. J. Bennett, F.G.S. 1628.
- Fragment of Pottery with tooled decoration of unusual form. Found in Mersea Road. 1st century, A.D. Donor, Stanley Bird. 1632.

- Small Vase of Red Ware with tooled exterior, ornamented with a band of roulette work between a narrow cordon and an indented line on shoulder; small base. Height 5³/₈ins. 1st century, A.D.? Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. (*Plate VIII. No. I.*) 1655.
- Fragment of "Samian" Bowl (*Dragendorff*, type 30) with decoration in medallions. Donor, Sidney F. Watson. 1668.
- Small bronze Fibula with "harp-shaped" bow and long coil spring. Found at Lexden. 1st century, A.D. Purchased. 1684.
- Figurine of pinkish ware, representing Venus and Cupid; the head of Venus is missing. Height in present state, 6ins. Found at Lexden. Probably Gaulish Purchased. (*Plate VIII. No. 3.*) 1691.
 For an account of these interesting Gaulish *fietilua* see C. Roach Smith, Collectanea Antiqua, vol. VI., pp. 48-75.
- Small Pot of reddish-brown ware, found at Heybridge. Height 3³/₈ins. Half of a small pot of greyish-brown ware, found with preceding. Height 3ins. Donor, Mr. O. D. Belsham. 1693-1694.
- Fragment of Platter of dark grey ware, with wheel ornament in base, found on the site of the Roman villa at Grimston, Norfolk. Belgic ware, 1st century, A.D. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1698.

For comparison with fragment of similar platter and decoration found at Kelvedon see Report, 1907-8, page 10, No. 1402.

Small Pot of black ware, with wide mouth and tooled horizontal line on shoulder. Height 2½ins. Found at Heybridge. Donor, Mrs. R. Beckett. 1707. Base of "Samian" Cup (*Dragendorff*, type 33) with potter's stamp, MVXTVLLI.M. Found with Nos. 1693, 1694, and 1707 at Heybridge. Donor, Mrs. R. Beckett. 1708.

Muxtullus was a maker of Red Glazed Gaulish Ware ("Samian") in the 2nd century, A.D., but his locality is unknown. Two examples of his stamp, both on cups of Form 33, are in the British Museum. See *Catalogue of the Roman Pottery*, p. 356, M 2138, 2139.

- Bronze Hair Pin, with flattened head perforated for fillet. Length 5³/₂ins. Purchased. 1721.
- Two beads, of blue and of white glass, on a piece of twisted bronze wire embedded in a fragment of Roman mortar. Found during repair of Roman Wall, 1909. Purchased. 1733.
- Bowl of Red Glazed Gaulish Ware ("Samian") of elegant form (*Walters*, type 81), restored by the Curator from fragments found by donor in a Roman rubbish pit. Potter's stamp on rim. MVXTVLLVS.F (*ecit.*) Height 4¹/₄ ins., diameter at rim, 8¹/₂ ins. 2nd century, A. D. Donor, the Assistant, Mr. T. Smith. 1735.

This beautiful bowl belongs to a type of rare occurrence in Britain and which has not, as yet, been recorded on the Continent. Mr. H. B. Walters, M.A., F.S.A., has numbered this form 81, and considers it contemporaneous with forms "specially associated with the Lesoux pottery of about A.D. 160-180, found on the Pan Rock." See *Catalogue* of the Roman Pottery in the British Museum, p. xxv., which includes a restored example from Carlisle and fragments from London (M. 2225, 2229, 2238, and 2243-2247). It appears doubtful, however, if all of these belong to form 81. A variant of this form was found in the Roman Camp at Newstead (Report of Excavations, 1907), and Mr. Thomas May, of Warrington, informs me that an example was found recently at Wilderspool and that another is in the Museum at York.

It will be noticed that the potter's name, **MVXTVLLVS**, also occurs on form 33 (see above, No. 1708).

Small "Samian" Cup (Dragendorff, type 35) with barbotine leaf ornament on rim, imperfect. Height 1¹/₄ins., diameter 3⁷/₈ins. Purchased. 1743.

Fragments of "Samian" ware, including portions of cups, etc. (*Dragendorff*, types 22, 27, 33, 37); the base of type 33 with maker's stamp TETTVR.O. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1769.

MEDIÆVAL AND LATER PERIODS.

- Two Lace Bobbins in turned wood, with old bead "jingles." Donor, Mrs. John T. Cater. 1526.
- Skein of old Lace Thread. Donor, Mrs. John T. Cater. 1527.

For an interesting account of the revival of the Pillow Lace industry at Dedham and Ardleigh; see *Essex County Standard*, March 27, 1909.

- Percussion "Hat" Cap, used with old muzzle loading gun. Donor, the Assistant, Mr. T. Smith. 1528.
- Sixteen Encaustic Floor Tiles, with impressed designs, covered with a black glaze; found in little Bromley Churchyard. 15th century. Donor, Mrs Eleanor S. Evans. 1532.
- Old Kitchen Range, with sliding sides to regulate size of fire. Purchased. 1533.
- Drum-Major's Staff, of West Essex Militia, with Sheffield-plate head engraved W.E.M. in a monogram. Purchased. 1537.
- Pair of Purse Rings, in polished steel with milled edges and openwork decoration. Early 19th century. Donor, Councillor Ernest Beard. 1538.
- Small Steel Spanner, from a pocket-knife handle, for removing gun nipples. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1539.

Mug, in glazed ware, with portrait of Ann Taylor, authoress of "My Mother," and other poems.

Height 3¹/₄ inches. Purchased. (*Plate IX.*) 1541. For a notice of Ann Taylor, who became Mrs. Gilbert (1782-1866), see "The Sampler," by Florence Lewer, in *Essex Review*, vol. XVII., p. 156.

- Bellarmine, or "Greybeard," with mask on neck and armorial medallion on body. Handle wanting. German Stoneware 16th and 17th century. Purchased. 1542.
- Pair of Snuffers and Tray, in Sheffield-plate. Early 19th century. Donor, Mrs. Webber. 1548.

Old Muzzle-loading Gun. Donor, Mrs. Webber. 1549.

- Brass Thimble, about 15th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1555.
- Iron Hinge, from an old house at Kelvedon Hatch. Length 21½ inches. Probably 18th century. Donor, Mrs M. R. Spencer. 1557.
- Strike-a-light and Tinder-box, in the form of a Flintlock Pistol, a small pan for the tinder and a match box taking the place of the barrel. A projection at the end of the match box, imperfect, once carried the brass socket for a candle. Purchased. 1570.
- Constable's Staff, painted dark blue with bands of light blue and G.R. above a in gold and colours. Length, 14 inches. Purchased. 1571.
- Gofreing Iron, in brass, on ornamental stand, with heating irons fitting the two corrugated cylinders. Purchased. 1572.
- Razor, in ebony handle. Early 18th century. Donor, Mr. F. List. 1595.

- Brass Pin, the head formed by a piece of wire twisted spirally round shank. Length 2³/₄ inches. Probably 17th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A.
- Patent Bull Ring for leading the animal by the nose. Donor, Mr. F. List. 1605.
- Small Jug, of red ware covered with a light slip and showing traces of glazing. Height 5¹/₂ inches.
 Found at St. Osyth's Priory. 16th century. Donor, Sir John Johnson.
- Engraved Copper Plate by Van der Gucht. Subject, "The Shipwreck of St. Paul." One of a series engraved after the eight paintings by Sir James Thornhill, of the life of the Saint, for St. Paul's Cathedral, London. The plate is silvered and measures $17\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{5}{8}$ ins. Also a modern impression from the plate. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1634.
- Small black silk Sunshade, with folding handle, in vogue about the middle of the 19th century. Donor, Mrs. Woodward
- Iron Fetterlock, found during the building of the new bridge at Great Yeldham, 1908. Purchased. 1645.
- Candle Box, early 19th century. Donor, Mr. George Lloyd. 1649.
- Constable's Staff of Eastern Counties Railway. The upper portion is japanned black with and E.C.R. in gold and colours. Length, 15 sinches. Purchased. 1656.

Collection of "Bygones" formed by the late Mr. I. Chalkley Gould. Donor, Mr. G. W. Gould. 1659.

This collection comprises a large number of objects, which are undergoing cleaning and preparation for exhibition. A detailed list with illustrations will appear in due course.

- Box of Wax Vestas, or Matches, in the form of tiny tapers; the box is of cardboard, ornamented with photo-pictorial decoration. At one end is a small block of wood perforated to act as a stand for a lighted taper. About middle of 19th century. Donor, Mr. F. Frost. 1663.
- Pair of Steel Snuffers. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1669.
- Iron Implement in wooden handle, resembling a small pick. Probably used in barking trees. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1671.
- Two Nicking Stalls, used by Veterinary Surgeons to make incisions in horses' tails to cause them to keep an upright position. They bear brass plates embossed—V.R. | | Whitmore-Baker's | Patent | Dedham, Essex. Donor, Mr. F. Griffiths. 1676-7.
- Iron Pipe Rack, for baking the long tobacco-pipes, known as "Churchwardens," in the oven to clean them. 18th or 19th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1690.
- Tinned Roasting Tray, with iron rack or stand, to place under joint to catch the gravy. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1717-18.
- Sewing-Palm Thimble of steel, triangular plate perforated at angles for attachment to leather. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1723.

Pair Sugar Nippers in steel. Donor, Mrs. Henry Laver. 1728.

- Hayband Twister, used for making the bands with which trusses are tied. This type is nearly obsolete. Purchased. 1730.
- Pocket Shot Charger, for two charges for muzzleloading gun. Purchased. 1755.
- Hayband Twister, similar to No. 1730. Donor, Mr. W. Crick. 1777.

COINS, TOKENS, MEDALS, &c.

One Pound Bank Note of the Colchester and Essex Bank (John Mills, Richard Mills, and John Mills, jun.), 28th day of September, 1805. No. E3590. Purchased. 1521.

Nine Roman bronze coins. Purchased. 1522.

- Gold Stater of Cunobeline, Obv. a horse, beneath which is a ring and dot ornament. CVNO. Rev. an ear of wheat. CAMV. Purchased. 1529. See Evans, Coins of the Ancient Britons, pl. ix., fig. 7.
- Saxon Sceatta, said to have been found in Colchester. Donor, Councillor Walter Sparling, J.P. 1547.
- Forgery of Tetradrachm of Nicomedes II. of Bithynia. (B.C. 149-95). Dredged up at the mouth of the Colne. Purchased. 1551.

Identified by Mr. H. Grueber, F.S.A., Keeper of Coins and Medals, British Museum.

"Third Brass" of Constantius, (A.D. 293-306). Rev. [FEL TEMP RE]PARATIO. Found in Castle Park. Purchased. 1564.

- "Third Brass" of Constans, (A.D. 333-350). Rev. VICTORIAE DDN AVGG QNN, Donor, Mr. A. E. Purkiss 1575.
- Trade Token, Obv. Unicorn. HENREY + ARDLEY + AT Rev. BOCKING IN ESSEX . HA . 1652. Purchased. 1576.
- Threepenny Bit of Elizabeth, 1571. Mint mark, a castle. Found at Walton-on-the-Naze. Donor, Sir John Johnson. 1608.

Six Roman Coins. Donor, Mr. A. E. Purkiss. 1622.

- Two Roman Coins, found in St. Osyth's Park, 1908.
 "Second Brass" of Vespasian (A.D. 69-79), illegible.
 "Antonine" of Gordianus Pius (A.D. 238-244). Rev.
 MARS PROPVG (nator). Donor, Sir John Johnson.
 1624-25.
- Medal, in pewter or white metal. Obv. A barque in full sail. Above, "The John Williams Missionary Ship"; in exergue, "Launched at Harwich, Mar. 20, 1844," and details of size, tonnage, etc., "J. Davis, Birm^m." Rev. A long inscription. Donor, Sidney F. Watson. 1661.
- Three Roman Coins, found in Union Grounds. Silver Denarius of Hadrian (A.D. 117-138). Rev. PMTRP COS II. Ex. CONCORD. "Third Brass" of Valentinian (A.D. 364-375). Rev. GLORIA ROMANORVM. Ex. S. CON. "Third Brass" of Constantinopolis. Rev. Victory with spear and shield. Ex. TRS. Donor, Mr. A. E. Purkiss. 1685-87.

Shilling of Charles II., 1670. Donor, Miss Braidwood. 1692. Silver Tetradrachm of Ptolemy XI., (B.C. 81). Found on the beach at Southend-on-Sea. Purchased. 1697.

Identified by Mr. H. Grueber, F.S.A., Keeper of Coins and Medals, British Museum.

- Gold Coin of Hadrian (A.D. 117-138). *Rev.* The Emperor on horseback, COS III. Found at Shoebury. Purchased. 1699.
- "Third Brass" of Constantine (A.D. 306-337). Rev. GLORIA EXERCITVS. Found in Castle Park. Purchased. 1700.
- Trade Token. Obv. WILLIAM ALDRED. Rev. IN COLCHESTER. ^A_{WM}. Found in Castle Park Purchased. 1701.
- Thirty-seven Roman Coins, a portion of a small hoard, of the following Emperors. Gallienus (4), Victorinus (1), Tetricus I. (21), Tetricus II. (7), Claudius Gothicus (4). The coins are much oxydized and are probably false (plated bronze) denarii. Donor, Mr. J. F. Marlar.
- Silver Penny of Edward I. *Rev.* CIVITAS LONDON. Found at Heybridge. Donor, Mrs. R. Beckett. 1709.
- Half-penny of George III., 1744. In fine condition. Donor, Mr. J. Gibbs. 1719.
- Copper Token. Obv. SUCCESS TO THE BOROUGH OF MALDON, arms and crest. Rev. Masonic emblems supported by figures of a Roman general with eagle and Time with scythe. Round the edge, "Payable at W. Draper's, Watch Maker, Maldon, Essex * *." Donor, Mr. J. Gibbs.

1720.

- Four and a Half Ten Pound and Two Halves Five Guinea Bank Notes of the Colchester and Essex Bank (John Mills, Richard Mills and John Mills, jun.), 1802-3. Donor, Mr. Douglas S. Smith. 1726.
- Two Five Pound Bank Notes of the Colchester Bank (Round, Green, Hoare & Co.), February, 1890, and September, 1892, and Two blank Cheques of the Witham and Essex Bank (Mills, Bawtree, Errington, Bawtree and Haddock). Donor, Mr. C. R. Gurney Hoare. 1727.
- "Second Brass" of Magnentius (A.D. 350-353). Rev. FELICITAS REIPVBLICAE F Purchased. 1732.

MSS. PRINTS, MAPS, PHOTOGRAPHS, AND PRINTED MATTER.

Small print of "The Haybarn," by Gabriel Metsu, 1648. Extracted from the *Burlington Magazine*, 1906, vol. ix., p. 358. Donor, Mr. Thomas Fox. 1523. The engraving is interesting as illustrating an example of the chaffbox presented to the Museum by Mr. Hastings Worrin. See Annual Report, 1907-8, p. 17, plate.

"An Accurate Map of the County of Essex, divided into its hundreds; drawn from late Surveys and illustrated with various additional improvements, * * by Eman. Bowen, Geog^{r.} to His Majesty." Purchased.

- Map, "Essexiæ Déscriptio. The Description of Essex. Amstelodami Sumptibus Joannis Janssonii." Purchased. 1535.
- Map "Colchester from the Ordnance Survey," with letterpress. Purchased. 1536.

Photograph of three Palæolithic implements found at Leyton. Donor, Mr. Alfred P. Wire 1544.

Photograph of Stopes' Crag Shell, with rude representation of human face, supposed to have been found in the Red Crag at Walton-on-the-Naze. Donor, Mr. Alfred P. Wire. 1545.

For an account of this shell see Essex Review, vol. xii., p. 174.

Ticket to View the Opening of the New Town Hall, May 1, 1845. Signed by Henry Wolton, Subscriber. Donor, Councillor Walter Sparling, J.P. 1546.

Henry Wolton was five times Mayor of Colchester, first in 1844-5 and last in 1861-2.

- Three photographs of Late-Celtic and Romano-British pottery found at Tilbury and Southend and preserved in the Institute, Southend-on-Sea. Donor, Mr. John William Burrows. 1552.
- The "Morning Chronicle," Sept. 6 and Nov. 24, 1808, containing accounts of discoveries of Roman remains in Colchester, not recorded by Morant and subsequent historians. Purchased. 1567-8.

(See Essex County Standard, June 20, 1908.)

"Original Poems for Infant Minds, by several Young Persons" Vol. I., twenty-second edition, London, 1824. Donor, Mrs. Ward. 1569.

- "An Act for Repairing the Highways between the City of *Lonaon* and the Town of *Harwich* in the County of *Essex*, 1695." Purchased. 1578.
- "Eastern Counties Railway Guide with the Fares and time of starting to the Stratford, Ilford, Romford, and Brentwood Stations," 1838. Purchased. 1579.

This volume contains "My Mother" and other poems, by Ann Taylor of Colchester.

Five Programmes printed on silk, some with fancy borders, of the Foresters' and Oddfellows' Annual Fêtes at Wivenhoe Park in 1866, 1871, 1885, 1889, and 1891. Purchased. 1580.

These programmes were presentation copies to H. J. Gurdon-Rebow, Esq., by whose permission the Fêtes were held in the Park.

- "The Eastern Counties Coal Boring and Development Syndicate, Ltd * * * Proposed Prospectus, Ipswich, * * * 1893." Donor, Mr. W. Whitaker, F.R.S., F.G.S., etc. 1610.
- Photograph of Roman *Antefixa* in Chester Museum. Donor, Mr. Alfred Newstead. 1617.
- Photograph of portion of the High Cross, Chester, destroyed by the Parliamentarians in 1647. Donor, Mr. Alfred Newstead. 1618
- Trade Ticket of Messrs. Lay & Gilder, White Hart Inn, Colchester, with List of Post Towns and distances, etc., on the back. Donor, Mr. George Carman. 1642.
- Pencil drawing of Colchester Castle from the North East angle, by Josiah Parish of Colchester, 1854, in original frame. Purchased. 1646.
- Photograph of "Pinched Ware" Vase, found at Brough, Yorkshire. Donor, Mr. Thomas Shephard, F.G.S., F.S.A. Scot. 1647.
- Set of four Ordnance Survey Maps, 6 inch scale, marked by donor with Roman roads round Colchester. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1652.
- Four photo Postcards of Bedfordshire Lacemakers. Donor, Miss E. A. Braidwood.

- Ordnance Survey Map of Colchester and Environs, 6 inch scale, mounted on cloth in sections. Purchased. 1673.
- Four photographs of Pottery from the Red Hills Excavations at Goldhanger, 1908. Donor, Mr. Francis W. Reader. 1678.
- Photograph of Bronze Age Cinerary Urn of rare type, found by donor at the Black Isle, Inverness, 1908. Donor, Mr. Oliver H. North. 1679.
- Tracing on cloth from MS. plan of Earthworks on Lexden Heath in a copy of Morant's History of Colchester in the Library of the Royal Institution of Great Britain. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1685.

(See Transactions, Essex Arch. Soc. N.S., vol. xi., p. 20.)

- Mounted Woodcut of the "New Corn Exchange," Colchester, from an illustrated paper of the period. Purchased. 1682.
- Two Sets of Verses on the Entertainment by the Mayor and Corporation of Colchester to the Directors of the Eastern Counties Railway Company. From a periodical, 1843. Purchased. 1683. The verses are supposed to have been written by Francis Thompson

Five photographs of Roman Pottery found in Colchester and preserved in the British Museum. Donor, Mr. Alfred P. Wire. 1688.

Map of Essex mounted on Roller and varnished, "Bacon's New Survey Map of the Counties of Essex, Hertford, Middlesex, and London," 1908. Purchased. 1695.

Conveyance from Thomas and Priscilla Willsmore and Joseph and Sarah Thorn to William Stanes, 1677. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1724.

The verses are supposed to have been written by Francis Thompson, the "Railway Poet,"

- Nine Land Tax and Loan Receipts, Thomas Willsmore and Edward Fisher, 1724-1750. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1725.
- Receipt for £7, received of the Revnd. E. Crosse on account of Carpenter's work done at the National School by John Seex, Sep. 5th, 1818. Donor, Councillor W. B. Sparling.
- Bond, Andrew Freemantle, senr. and junr., to Joseph Brown, 1666. Purchased. 1736.

Bond, Joseph Taylor to John Lay, 1671. Purchased. 1737.

- Bond, Joseph Taylor to Thomas French, 1681. Purchased. 1738.
- MS. A New Version of the Song of Songs with Notes, in Pocket Book inscribed Edw. Strutt. Probably late 18th century. Purchased. 1739.
- "The Haddocks of Leigh." Transcribed from the MS., "Collectanea Spectantia — Haddock Correspondence," by the late Mr. H. W. King, sometime Hon. Sec. of the Essex Archæological Society. Reprinted in sheets from the *Southend Telegraph*. Donor, Mr. John Wm. Burrows. 1753.

Print of the Seal of Louis de Bourbon, Admiral of France. Donor, Mr. Guy Maynard. 1754.

The matrix of this seal did duty for some years as a 2lb. weight in a village shop near Saffron Walden, and is now preserved in the Museum of that Town. The translation of the inscription round the seal is "For the summonses of Normandy of Louis de Bourbon, Bastard, Admiral of France. Negative of Photographic Group of Late-Celtic Urns, found at Little Hallingbury, Essex, in 1876. Donor, Mr. G. E. Pritchett, F.S.A. (*Plate X.*) 1778.

See Transactions, Essex Archeological Society, Vol. IX.

LOANS.

- A Series of Bronze Axes, Palstaves, Gouge and Spearhead. Twelve specimens, all found in the County of Essex. Bronze Age. Deposited by the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1612.
- A Small Series of Antiquities found in Brittany, resembling some of the Red Hills relics. Deposited by Mr. Horace Wilmer, C.E. 1742.

These have been deposited for purposes of comparison.

Museum Library.

ADDITIONS BY GIFT AND PURCHASE,

From 1st April, 1908, to 31st March, 1909.

BOOKS, GUIDES, PAMPHLETS, &c.

Transactions, Essex Archæological Society. Vol. I., 1858. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1525.

"Hull Museum Publications," Nos. 48, 51, 52, 53, 54, 5 and 41 (2nd edition), 55, 56, 57, 58. Donor, Mr. Thomas Sheppard, F.G.S., F.S.A. (Scot.) 1530, 1531, 1543, 1592, 1620, 1630-1, 1672, 1722, 1740-1.

"Excavations on the Site of the Roman City at Silchester, Hants." Reports for 1903-4, 1905, 1906 and 1907. Purchased. 1540. 1768.

"A Letter to the Committee of the Essex and Colchester General Hospital upon the recent discovery at that place of a Beautiful Monument of Roman Sculpture, representing the Theban Sphinx," by E. W. Hay, A.B., Colchester, 1821. Purchased.

1561.

This copy contains notes, illustrations, and extracts from *Gentleman's Magazine, Quarterly Journal of Science, &c.*, with a long letter to Mr. Hay and original verses, signed David Constable, May 24th, 1828.

- Typewritten Report of the Red Hills Exploration Committee, 1906-7. Donor, the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Horace Wilmer, C.E. 1565.
- "Short Guide to the Museum of the Natural History Society, Torquay, 1908. Donor, the Author, Rev. A. E. Northey. 1573.

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- "Catalogue of the Birds and Animals in the Tollhouse Museum, Great Yarmouth, 1908." Donor, the Curator. 1574.
- "Notes on Ornamental Stone Balls," by Robert Munro, M.D., LL.D., etc. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1584.
- "The Sampler," by Florence Lewer, Donor, Mr. H. W. Lewer. (Reprint). 1586.
- "The Anglo-Saxon Cemetery, Hadleigh Road, Ipswich," by Nina Frances Layard, F.L.S. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1591.
- Proceedings, Cambridge Antiquarian Society, No. XLVIII., containing paper on "The Arretine Vase in the Cambridge Archæological Museum, by H. B. Walters, Esq., of the British Museum." Donor, Mr. H. B. Walters, M.A., F.S.A., etc. 1594.
- "Notes on 'Danes' Skins,'" by H. St. George Gray. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1602.

Contains a reference to the fragments of Dane's skin from Copford Church door, preserved at Copford and in the Colchester Corporation Museum.

- "Lincoln City and County Museum Publications," Nos. 3, 4 and 5. Donor, Mr. Arthur Smith, F.L.S., F.E.S. 1604, 1619, 1650.
- "British Numismatic Journal," First Series. Vol. III., 1906; Vol. IV., 1907. 1609, 1689.
- "Pygmy Flint Age in Lincolnshire," by the Rev. Alfred Hunt, M.A. Lincoln Museum Publication, No. 2. (Reprint). Purchased. 1620
- "Report of Committee on Ancient Earthworks," 1908. Donor, the Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. G. Chater. 1627.

"Some Ironmongery of Bygone Days." (Reprint). Donor, the Editor of the *Ironmonger*. 1640.

- "The Flail," by H. W. Lewer. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1643.
- "Excavations on Site of the Roman Fort at Pevensey." Second Report, 1908. Purchased. 1666.
- "The Green Roads of England: Avebury," by R. Hippisley Cox. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1667.

"Archæologia," Vol. 60, part 2. Purchased. 1675.

- "Archæologia," Vols. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 to 27 inclusive. Purchased. 1696, 1702.
- "Das Erste Auftreten des Eisens in Nord-Europa." Von Dr. Ingvald Undset, Deutsche Ausgabe, von J. Mestorf. Purchased. 1703.
- "Interim Report on the Excavations at Maumbury Rings, Dorchester," 1908, by Harold St. George Gray. (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1704.

"Lake Village at Glastonbury." Tenth Report of the Committee, British Association, Section H. Dublin, 1908. Donor, Mr. H. St. George Gray. 1705.

- "Palæolithic Implements in East Suffolk," by W. A. Dutt. (Reprint). 1710.
- "Romano-British Flint Implements," by W. A. Dutt. (Reprint). 1711.
- "Small Flint Implements from Bungay," by W. A. Dutt. (Reprint). 1712.

Contains references to several specimens in the Colchester Corporation Museum.

[&]quot;Notes on the Municipal Seals exhibited at the Weymouth Congress," by Andrew Oliver, Esq., F.R.I.B.A. (Reprint). 1713.

"A Series of Antique Drinking Vessels," by Robert Drane. 1714.

An illustrated pamphlet prepared for a Conversazione of the Cardiff Naturalists' Society.

- Typed extracts from the "Essex and West Suffolk Gazette," October 23rd and 30th, 1857, relating to the Great Storm of October 22nd, 1857. 1715.
- Donor, Nos. 1710 to 1715, the Hon. Curator, Alder man Henry Laver, F.S.A.
- "Reports of Oxford University Institutions for Year, 1907." Donor, the Rev. E. F. Hay. 1729.
- "Report, Red Hills Exploration Committee, 1906-7." Donor, the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Horace Wilmer, C.E. 1749.
- "Catalogue of the Roman Pottery in the Departments of the British Museum," by H. B. Walters, M.A., F.S.A. Donors, The Trustees of the British Museum. 1750.
- "The Megalithic Monuments of Carnac and Locmariaquer," by Z. le Rouzic. Translated by W. M. Tapp, LL.D., F.S.A. Donor, Dr. W. M. Tapp, F.S.A. 1751.
- "Die Gräberfelder von Keszthely," by Dr. Wilhelm Lipp. Purchased. 1752.
- "Find of Late-Celtic Pottery at Little Hallingbury, Essex," by Henry Laver, F.S.A. (Reprint.) Donor, the Author. 1770.
- "On a Late-Celtic Bronze 'Terret' of the 1st Century, B.C.", by Arthur G. Wright. (Reprint.) Donor, the Author. 1771.
- "The Reliquary," Vol. xiv., 1908. Quarterly. Donor, the Editor, the Rev. J. Charles Cox, LLD., F.S.A. 1772.

- "The Armorials in Glass at the Colchester Museum," by the Rev. H. L. Elliott, M.A. (Reprint.) Donor, the Author. 1776.
- "The Antiquary," Vol. IV. (New Series). Monthly. Purchased. 1773.
- The "Numismatic Circular," Spink & Son, Vol XVI. Monthly. Purchased. 1774.

The "Museums Journal," Vol. VII. 1907-8. Subscription.

"Index to Archæological Papers," 1907. 1775.

REPORTS.

RECEIVED FROM THE RESPECTIVE CURATORS, ETC.

Bootle, Free Library and Museum. Brighton, County Borough Museums, etc. Bristol, Museum and Art Gallery, 1906-7 and 1907-8. Cambridge, Museum of General and Local Archæology. Cardiff, The Welsh Museum. Chester, Society of Natural Science, etc. Derby, Free Library, Museum, etc. Hastings, Corporation Museum, 1907. Hull, Municipal Museum. Ipswich, Borough Museum, etc. King's Lynn, Corporation Museum. Lincoln, City and County Museum. Maidstone, Borough Museum. Manchester, Museum. Peterborough, Natural History, Sc., and Arch. Society. Perth, Natural History Museum. Plymouth, Municipal Museum, etc. Rutland, Archæological and Natural History Society. Salisbury, South Wilts. and Blackmore Museum. Stratford-on-Avon, Shakespeare's Birthplace. Taunton, Castle Museum. Warrington, County Borough Museum. Wisbech, Museum, etc. Worcester, Public Library, Museum, etc. Yarmouth, Great, Free Libraries and Museum, etc.

N.B.—Curators of Museums will much oblige by forwarding their Reports in exchange as issued.

List of Donors.

1st April, 1908, to 31st March, 1909.

Beard, Ernest. Belsham, O. D. (Heybridge) Beckett, Mrs. R. (Croydon). Bennett, F. J. (West Malling). Bird, Stanley. Braidwood, Miss E. A. (Woburn Sands). Braidwood, Miss (Myland). British Museum, Trustees of. Burrows, John W. (Southend-on-Sea). Caldecott, J. B. (London). Carman, G. Cater, Mrs. J. T. Cox, Rev. J. Charles, LL.D. (London). Crick, W. (West Bergholt). Cunnington, Mrs. B. H. (Devizes). Elliot, Rev. H. L. (Gosfield). Evans, Mrs. E. S. (Dovercourt). Fox, T. (London). Frost, A. W. Frost, F. Gibbs, J. Gosse, Philip (London). Gould, G. W. (Chigwell). Gray, H. St George (Taunton). Grant-Duff, Lady (Earl Soham). Griffiths, F. (Dedham). Hay, Rev. E. F. (Kelvedon). Hoare, C. R. Gurney (London). Humm, H. "Ironmonger," Editor of the (London). Johnson, Sir John (St. Osyth's Priory).

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Laver, Mrs. Henry. Laver, Henry (Hon. Curator). Laver, Philip G. Lavard, Miss N. F. (Ipswich). Lewer, H. W. (Loughton). List, F. Lloyd, G. Marlar, J. F. Maynard, Guy (Saffron Walden). Munro, Robert (Largs). Newstead, Alfred (Chester). North, Oliver H. (Shorncliffe). Northey, Rev. A. E. (Torquay). Parmenter, Rev. H. P. (Otten Belchamp). Pritchett, G. E. (Bishop Stortford). Purkiss, A. E. Quick, R. (Bristol). Reade, Mrs. C. G. S. (Billericay). Reader, F. W. (London). Sheppard, T. (Hull). Smith, Arthur (Lincoln). Smith, Douglas S. (Clacton-on-Sea). Smith, T. (Assistant). Smith, W. Sparling, Walter. Spencer, Mrs. M. R. (Oxford). Tapp, W. M. (London). Turner, H. (Barnston). Walters, H. B. (British Museum). Ward, Mrs. (Grimston). Watson, Sidney F. (Great Bromley). Webber, Mrs. (Old Heath). Whitaker, W. (Croydon). Wilmer, Horace (Loughton). Wire, Alfred P. (Leytonstone). Woodward, Mrs. (Stanway). Wright, Arthur G. (Curator).

FORMS OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath out of such part of my personal Estate as may by Law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Colchester, the sum of

free from Legacy Duty, for the benefit of the Corporation Museum of Antiquities, to be expended in such a way as they may deem expedient; and I direct that the Receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Borough shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

I bequeath*

*ANTIQUITIES OR OTHER

Obsects, to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Colchester (Free from Legacy Duty, which Duty I direct shall be paid out of my pure personalty), for the benefit of the Corporation Museum of Antiquities, either for Exhibition, or for such other purposes as they may deem expedient; and I further direct that the Receipt of the Town Clerk for the time being of the said Borough, shall be an effectual discharge for the same Legacy.

Borough of Colchester.

LIST OF POSTCARDS

Published by the

MUSEUM COMMITTEE,

Which can be obtained of the Curator,

Price 3d. each.

Centurion Monument.

Altar to Sulevian Mothers.

Sphinx.

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Colchester Vase.

Group of Roman Glass Ware.

"Samian" Ware.

" Late-Celtic Pedestalled and other Urns.

Late-Celtic Burial Group, 1st Century, A.D.

Red Glazed Jug from ditto.

Group of "Face" Urns.

Roman Bronze Jug.

Group of Red Ware Jugs, 1st Century, A.D.

Red Ware Jug, 1st Century, A.D.

Bronze-age Cinerary Urn.

" Cinerary Urn and "Food" Vessel. Ringer's Jug, 17th Century. Spring Gun. And many others.

> ARTHUR G. WRIGHT, Curator.

BOROUGH OF COLCHESTER.

The Colchester Museum of Local Entiquities.

(Founded 1846.)



(OBVERSE OF BOROUGH SEAL, 15TH CENTURY.)

Report of the Museum and Muniment Committee,

For the Year ended 31st March, 1910.

Price, Twopence.

Borough of



Colchester.

THE

Corporation Museum

OF

LOCAL ANTIQUITIES.

(FOUNDED 1846.)

REPORT

OF THE

Museum and Muniment Committee,

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1910.

PRICE-TWOPENCE.

Colchester : "The Essex County Telegraph." 1910.

Committee and Officers, 1909-10.

Committee :

Councillor E. H. Barritt, J.P., Chairman. Councillor W. G. Benham, J.P., Deputy-Chairman. The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor E. A. Blaxill). Alderman H. Laver, J.P. Councillor J. T. Bare. Councillor Ernest S. Beard. Councillor A. M. Jarmin.

The following are not on the Council, but represent the Essex Archaelogical Society.

THE REV. T. H. CURLING, B.A.

MR. PHILIP G. LAVER.

THE REV. HAMILTON ASHWIN, LL.D.

Ibonorary Curator : Alderman Henry Laver, J.P., F.S.A.

Curator:

ARTHUR G. WRIGHT.

Hssistant : Theobald Smith.

The Corporation Museum.

To the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Colchester.

GENTLEMEN,

We beg to submit our Annual Report on the Corporation Museum for the year ended March 31st, 1910.

It is extremely gratifying to record that the number of visitors to the Museum during the past year far exceeds that of any other year, the total number of visitors for the twelve months being 34,453.

This is not altogether due to the opening of the Museum for the two extra hours daily during the Pageant week, and the additional Bank Holiday, as after allowing for a substantial increase on these days, the figures are then in excess of the best previous record.

The number of gifts has again been large, some being of considerable interest and value, while many purchases have been made, and some valuable "finds" have been deposited.

Your Committee desire to express their indebtedness to the many donors and depositors who have so liberally enriched the various collections.

It is still a matter for regret that your Committee have been unable to replace the old cases with others of a more modern type, which would allow of a better arrangement of the antiquities, and enable many valuable specimens, now stored away, to be exhibited.

An appeal for subscriptions to a Case Fund was sent out with the last Annual Report, and a generous response was made by Alderman Edwin J. Sanders, J.P., and a few other friends, but the sum received up to the present is far below that required, and it is hoped that the present appeal will be more successful.

The notable event of the year was the Pageant. During the week, the Museum remained open two hours beyond the usual time, daily, in order to enable visitors from a distance to visit it before leaving for their trains. This arrangement was much appreciated by many who would otherwise have had no opportunity.

The Museum has also been visited by several of the leading archæologists of the country, including Professors Bosanquet, Boyd Dawkins and Haverfield; Messrs. Cunnington, St. John Hope, May, Peers, Reginald Smith, Ward, and others, some of whom spent several days studying the collections of Late-Celtic and Romano-British pottery. All expressed their admiration of these fine collections, and commented on their great educational value.

A great deal of museum work has been accomplished by your Curator, but the progress of arrangement is greatly hampered by want of exhibition space.

The photographs to illustrate the Report have this year been taken by the Curator.

The Committee desire to repeat their invitation to members of the Council to visit the Museum and inspect the valuable additions, and they feel convinced the Council will appreciate the warm interest of the Hon. Curator and the assiduity and attention of the Curator and his Assistant.

> ERNEST H. BARRITT, Chairman. HENRY LAVER, Hon. Curator. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT, Curator.

			-	Days open.	Attendance.	
April				25	••	3228
May				26		2805
June		····		26		6590
July	•••		•••	27		2707
August	••			26	••	6744
September	••			26	•••	3571
October	••	••		26	••	1683
November	••			26		1107
December				26	••	1463
January			s •	26		1205
February		••		24		906
March	••		•••	26		2444
Total				310		34453

Visitors to the Museum, 1909=10.

BANK HOLIDAY ATTENDANCES.

Easter Monday, 12th April .			• •	785
Whit Monday, 31st May .		••		1066
August Monday, 2nd August.	•			874
Boxing Day, 27th December .				323
Easter Monday, 28th March .	•	••	• •	796

*The total number of Visitors for the year ending March 31st, 1903, was 20,887; 1904, was 27,039; 1905, was 28,408; 1906, was 29,588; 1907, was 31,078; 1908, was 30,875; 1909, was 29,842.

The Colchester Museum

IS OPEN DAILY FROM

1st April to 30th September—10 a.m. till 5 p.m. 1st October to 31st March—10 a.m. till 4 p.m.

AND CLOSED ON

Sundays, Good Friday, and Christmas Day, and such other days as the Committee may order.

ADMISSION FREE.

It is urgently requested that any discovery of Archæological interest in the neighbourhood may be brought to the notice of either the Chairman, Honorary Curator or the Curator as early as possible.

The Curator will be pleased to give any information in his power, and may be seen daily, Museum engagements permitting.

Photographs and Postcards of many of the most important antiquities may be obtained at moderate prices from the Curator.

Curator .. ARTHUR G. WRIGHT.

List of Additions to the Museum

BY GIFT AND PURCHASE,

From 1st April, 1909, to 31st March, 1910.

All the objects were found in Colchester, unless otherwise stated.

STONE AND BRONZE AGES.

- Palæolithic Implement of ochreously stained flint found by donor in gravel pit on Chitt's Hill, Lexden. Donor, the Curator, Mr. Arthur G. Wright. 1790.09
- Portion of Beaker (*Abercromby*, type *B*), of light brown ware, ornamented with impressions of finger tip. Restored by the Curator from fragments found at Shoebury, Essex. Purchased. (*Flate II.*) 1824'09
- Portion of Small Cup (*Abercromby*, type *B*) of light brown ware, ornamented with indentations. Restored by the Curator from fragments found at Shoebury, Essex. Purchased. (*Plate II.*) 1824.09
- A number of Flint Flakes, Cores and Scrapers, including a finely worked flint knife made from a large flake. Found by the Donor at Stone Point, Walton-on-the-Naze. Donor, the Curator, Mr. Arthur G. Wright. 1883.09
- Small and carefully worked polygonal Flint Flake, found by the Donor at Goldhanger, Essex, in gravel brought from the shore of the creek. Donor, the Curator, Mr. Arthur G. Wright. 1883.09

Palæolithic Implement of ochreously stained flint, found
at Leyton, Essex. Length 6 ins., width $2\frac{3}{4}$ ins.
Donor, Mr. Alfred P. Wire.1998.10

EARLY IRON AGE (LATE-CELTIC).

Two fragments of pottery, found in Braintree, Late-Celtic. Donor, Rev. J. W. Kenworthy. 1800.09
Fragment of Pottery, the clay of which is mixed with pounded shell. Donor, Dr. Philip Gosse 1802.09
Fragments of Greek Pottery from Mycenæ for comparison. Donor, Rev. F. J. Eld, F.S.A. 1784.09
Clay object resembling some found in the Red Hills, for comparison. Donor, Rev. F. J. Eld, F.S.A.

1784.09

Upper Stone of Quern of Hertfordshire Conglomerate, ("Puddingstone"), found at Braintree, Essex. Donor, the Rev. J. W. Kenworthy. 2001'10

Collection of Early Pottery, including a large number of fragments of Late-Celtic wares, bone tools, etc., found during a number of years at Braintree, Essex, by the Donor. Donor, the Rev. J. W. Kenworthy. 2001.10

The collection was received too late to be classified and detailed for the present Report.

ROMANO-BRITISH PERIOD.

Half of "Samian" Bowl (Dragendorff, 47 var.) with part of maker's stamp BA * * *, probably Banvillus. Donor, the Rev. W. Davis. 1822.09 Water Bottle of buff ware. Purchased. 1823'09

- Two Fragments of "Samian" Bowls (Dragendorff, 37) with scroll and medallion decoration respectively. Purchased. 1832.09
- Small Bronze Blade, ribbed on one side only, tang wanting. Purchased. 1833.09
- Bronze Finger Ring in solid metal, imitating one of spirally wound wire. Purchased. 1834-09
- Neck of Water Bottle of salmon coloured ware, with micaceous glaze. 1st century, A.D. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1836.00
- Portion of Vase of green glazed ware, probably made at St. Remy, France. 1st century, A.D. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1837.99
- Fragment of yellow glazed ware, with raised pellets of of a lighter shade, *en barbotine*. 1st century, A.D. 1838.09
- Fragments of Pottery from Norsey Wood, near Billericay. Romano-British. Donor, Mr. Miller Christy, F.L.S. 1841'09
- Small Vase of grey ware, with everted rim and girth groove below. Height, 3³/₄ins. Purchased. 1846.09
- Small shallow Basin with lip, of brown gritty paste with
black exterior. Height $1\frac{7}{8}$ ins., diameter $4\frac{3}{4}$ ins.
Romano-British. Purchased. 1853.09
- Triple Flower Vase of hard pinkish ware, covered with buff slip. The small vases each communicate with the hollow ring; one is missing. Height, 4¹/₄ins. Diameter of ring, 5ins. Romano-British. Purchased. (Plate III.) 1854.09

Compare example in Jarmin Collection: see *Reliquary*, vol. xii., 1906, p. 210: also example found at Chigwell, Essex; see "Essex Field Club Museum Handbook," No. 2, p. 11.

Small "Samian" Bowl with horizontal loop handles, one wanting, and maker's stamp within a small circle,
... BONOXVSE... Mended and restored. Height, 1³/₄ins., diameter 4⁵/₈ins. Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. (Plate III.) 1858'09

Bonoxus was a South Gaulish potter, but his exact locality is unknown. The form of bowl is not given by Dragendorff, Déchelette, or Koenen, but is figured in Hölder's *Die Romischen Thongefasse*, plate IX., 8. The name occurs on two fragments of cups (*Drag* 27) in the National Collection, Walters' Catalogue M1852, 1853, where other references to its occurrence are given.

- Base of "Samian" Cup (Dragendorff, 27) with potter's stamp across small circle, MILVO (?). Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1859 09
- Fragment of base of "Samian" Vessel, with potter's stamp within a tooled circle, NASSO.I.S.F. Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1860.09
- Fragment of pale blue Glass Bottle with portion of circle and letters in relief on base; a portion of a pale blue Glass Bowl, with pillar moulded sides; and two fragments of "Castor" Ware, with painted and rouletted decoration. Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1861-4.09
- Bronze Fibula, with spiral spring pin; the trumpet shaped head is fitted with a loop for the attachment of a chain, and the bow has a double triquetral ornament at the centre. Found on the site of the Potter's Kilns described in Transactions of the Essex Arch. Soc., N.S., Vol. I, pp. 192-6, pl. VI., fig. 3. 1st century, A.D. Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1865.09

Similar fibulae are figured in the *Rolnquary*, vol. 1., 1895, p. 157. *Celtic Art*, Romilly Allen, p. 104.





TRIPLE VASE, 1854.09.



"SAMIAN" BOWL 1858.09. From Photographs by the Curator.

- Two bone Pins, imperfect. Romano-British. Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1869.09
- Bowl of bone Spoon (*Cochlear*). Romano-British. Donor, the Park Keeper, Mr. T. Munson. 1874.09
- Portion of neck with handle of Amphora, which has been removed from the body to convert it into a burial cist. Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1878.09 See description of Loan 1820.09 and plate.
- Handle of bronze Spoon (*Ligula*), inlaid with silver. Purchased. 1933'09
- Small bronze Pendant, consisting of a circular disc Fins, in diameter, with a loop on rim for attachment to cord or chain. Romano-British. Donor, Mr. J. F. Marlar. 1939.09
- Small bronze Fibula. 2nd century, A.D. Purchased. 1941'09
- Fragments of "Samian" and other Wares, including half of a "Samian" Cup (*Dragendorff*, 33) with part of potter's stamp IBERT (Libertus); portion of a rim of a Vessel of Kimmeridge Shale; neck of Glass Bottle; bone Counter; iron Nail; fragments of Bone and Bronze Objects, and small Bronze Coin. Romano-British. Donor, Mr. J. F. Marlar. 1949.09 Libertus was a maker of red glazed Gaulish Ware ("Samian") at Lezoux, in the South of France, about 100, A.D.
- Three Jet and eight Glass Beads, with some teeth of a young person, which formed part of a burial. Purchased. 1973.10
- A large number of fragments of Romano-British Wares, including many of "Samian," with makers' stamps. Found on the site of the new Grammar School buildings, during 1909-10. 1981.10

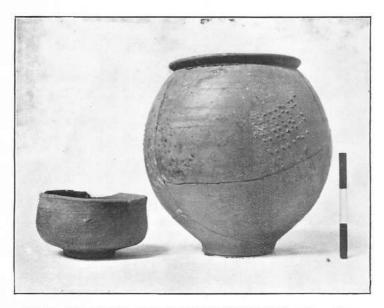
- Vase of "Upchurch" Ware of light grey paste, with polished surface ornamented with oblong panels of raised dots, *en barbotine*. Repaired and restored. Height 5⁷/₈ ins. Found on Grammar School site. 1st century, A.D. (*Plate II.*) 1982.10
- Vase of "Upchurch" Ware, similar to No. 1982.10, of brownish-grey paste, surface worn. Ornamented with square panels of raised dots set obliquely. Repaired and restored. Height 5ins., diameter 4⁵/₈ins. Found on Grammar School site. 1st century, A.D. 1983.10
- Tall Vase of elegant form of fine Red Ware, carefully tooled and polished to within three inches of base. Shallow cordon with bead round neck. Slightly restored. Height $9\frac{7}{8}$ ins. Found on Grammar School site. Belgic ware, 1st century, A.D. (*Plate IV*.) 1984.10
- Small Bowl of grey ware, with tooled and polished exterior, low foot. Height $1\frac{7}{8}$ ins., diameter $3\frac{1}{4}$ ins. Found on Grammar School site. (*Plate II.*) 1985¹⁰
- Portion of a Bone Handle, which bears a strong resemblance to the handle of a bronze *patella* or saucepan found in a Late-Celtic grave at Aylesford, Kent. (*Archæologia*, LII, p. 378, fig. 16). Found on Grammar School site. 1986.10

Bone Pin, imperfect, length 2½ins. Found on Grammar School site. 1987.10

Plate II.

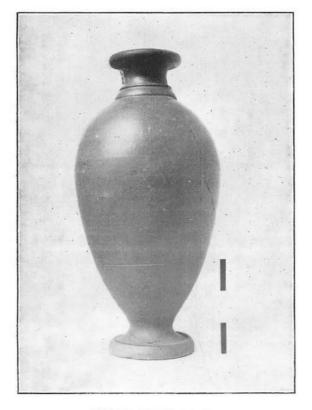


BRONZE AGE BEAKER AND CUP, 1824.09.



VASE AND BOWL OF "UPCHURCH" WARE, 1982, 1985.10. From Photographs by the Curator.

Plate IV.



BELGIC VASE, 1984.10. From Photograph by the Curator.

Two fragments of a Sculptured Head in sandstone, of more than life size, forming the left side of the face. The diadem and short veil suggest that it was intended for a priestess or deified Empress, and from the style of wearing the hair of the 1st century, A.D. Found on Grammar School site. 1987A'10

Compare figures in Rich, Dictionary of Roman and Greek Antiquities, under the words Rica and Tus.

Collection of Early Pottery, consisting of a large number of fragments and vessels of Late-Celtic and Romano-British periods, found during a number of years at Braintree, Essex, by the donor. Donor, the Rev. J. W. Kenworthy. 2001.10

The collection was received too late to be classified and detailed for the present report.

MEDIÆVAL AND LATER PERIODS.

- Box of Patent Vesuvians and two boxes of R. Bell and Co.'s Crystal Fixed Lights. Donor, Mr. J. F. Marlar. 1782.09
- Wooden Cheese Press with lid, 17 ins. diameter. Donor, Mr. Walter Buttle. 1785.09

Iron Otter or Fox Trap. Donor, Mr. Walter Buttle.

1786.09

- Old Iron Ploughshare with spike, used for breaking up hard ground. Found on Manor Farm, Braintree. Donor, the Rev. J. W. Kenworthy. 1799'09
- Four boxes of dummy Vesta and Braided Lights made by the donors for the Museum to illustrate lighting appliances. Donors, Messrs. Bell & Co., Ltd.

1801.00

- Salt Cellar of Lambeth Delft. Height 2³/₈ ins. 18th century. Purchased. 1809'09
- Congreve Matches in two "chip" boxes, oval and round with striking surfaces on top and bottom and label, "Superior Congreve Matches from one of the greatest and most famous German manufactories I.N.E.," under a coat of arms. Donor, Mr. Vernon B. Crowther-Beynon, F.S.A. 1813.09
- Tobacco Pipe, time of Charles I. Donor, Mr. W. D. Meaden. 1840^{.09}
- Pair of Clogs with leather toe-pieces, heels, and joints, about 1836. Donor, Miss Coleman. 1850.09
- Small Spherical Bronze Bell, 1¹/₈ ins. in diameter, found at Kirby-le-Soken by the donor. 16th century. Donor, Major Colomb. 1848^{.09}
- Window with six Bull's-eye Panes, from an old house in Colchester pulled down in 1909. Donor, Mr. R. Beaumont. 1855'09
- Snuff Box of Horn, circular, with stamped design of classical subject on lid. Diameter, 2¹/₂ ins. Early 19th century. Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1866'09
- Wild-fowling Flintlock Gun, the barrel stamped with date 1614 is 54 ins. long and was made in Spain. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1872.09
- Pin-fire Breechloading Gun of French or Belgian manufacture. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1881-09

This gun was the first breechloader brought into the district. It was supplied by P. Hast, Gunmaker, Colchester, to Mr. Nassau, St. Osyth's Priory, and was sold at his auction about 1860.

- Schlesinger's Patent Hydraulic Inkstand in china and brass. Donor, Mr. Philip G. Laver. 1884.09
- Powder Horn made from the horn of a bull, carved with chevron ornament and two crossed flags over a hunting horn. 18th century. (*Plate VI.*) Purchased. 1885.09
- Two Steel Shot Chargers for two charges of shot each. Purchased. 1886-7'09
- Steel Latchkey for tumbler lock, about 1800. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A.

Ten Straw Splitters, used in straw plaiting, of bone with wooden handles. Purchased. 1891.09

Punch Ladle of wood, handle broken. Purchased. 1892.09

- Gamekeeper's Powder Horn, given to donor when at Cambridge in 1856 by an old man whose father had been a gamekeeper. 18th century. Donor, Colonel R. Caldwell. (*Plate VI.*) 1893.09
- Pair of Pattens, late type. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1897'09
- Dead-fall Mouse Trap. This form of trap was in common use about 60 years ago, but is now nearly obsolete. Purchased. 1898.09

For illustration of a similar trap see Old West Surrey by Gertrude Jekyll, p. 71.

Circular Snuff Box of papier mâché lined with tortoiseshell. Early 19th century. Purchased. 1882.09

^{1880.00}

- Wine Cooler of coarse red earthenware, unglazed, with two bearded masks for handles. Height, 9 ins. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1899'09
- Smoke Jack, from Alresford Hall. Donor, Mr. R. Beaumont. 1900'09
- Bronze Matrix of Seal with the device of a man's head facing a woman's and the inscription, * Love me and I ye. Early 14th century Purchased.

Bronze Matrix of Seal with the device of a praying clerk and the legend **Iesvs Nvsa**. Early 14th century. Purchased. 1903.09

Identified by Mr. W. H. St. John Hope, M.A.

- Bronze Matrix of Armorial Seal, too much corroded to determine. 13th century. Purchased. 1904.09 Identified by Mr. W. H. St. John Hope, M.A.
- Bronze Matrix of Seal, with loop on back, with device of the emblem of St. John the Evangelist and the legend * **S. Johís : de : Sewerk : Alíai.** (the Seal of John of Southwark, Clerk). An unusual form of seal of the middle of the 14th century. Purchased. 1905 09

Identified by Mr. W. H. St. John Hope, M.A.

- Silver Matrix of Armorial Seal of early 17th century. Purchased. 1906'09
- Tinder Box, circular, of iron, with flint and steel complete as used by donor's grandmother, Mrs. Brabrook, Malvern Road, Stanway. Donor, Miss Mottram. 1909.09

Identified by Mr. W. H. St. John Hope, M.A.

- Iron Candle Guard, in general use seventy or eighty years ago. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1910'09
- Two Keys of iron, found in Feering Vicarage garden. About 15th century. Donor, Mrs. Packe. 1912.09
- Small Pistol Powder Flask, in brass and copper; maker's name, Sykes, stamped on side. Purchased. 1915.09
- Snuff Box in papier mâché to imitate tortoise-shell. Purchased. 1916'09
- Constable's Staff, of wood, painted and gilded, with Royal arms and garter motto; name of parish above, Beeleigh, Maldon. Length, 12 ins. Purchased. 1917.09
- Six Roofing Tiles of hard red ware, thin and well baked, perforated for rafter nails. From Easthorpe Church during restoration, 1909. 14th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1920'09
- Small Hake or Trammel, in iron, for suspending the iron cooking pot over the open wood fire. Purchased. 1921'09
- Constable's Staff, of wood, painted bright blue, with W. R. IV. (William IV.) in yellow and black. Length 24³/₄ ins. Donor, Mr. George T. Alt. 1928.09 This staff was used by the donor's father during his occupation of Brick House Farm, West Mersea, 1829 to 1843.
- Old English Powder Horn, with screw-top which forms the measure. Height $6\frac{1}{4}$ ins. 18th century. Purchased. (*Plate VI.*) 1932.09

- Flint-lock Blunderbuss with Steel Spring Bayonet, brass barrel and mounts. On the barrel are stamped two proofmarks and engraved the word LONDON. 18th century. Purchased. 1935.09
- Small Powder Horn made from tip of bull's horn with brass base and mounts and rings for strap. 18th —19th century. Purchased. (*Plate VI.*) 1936.09

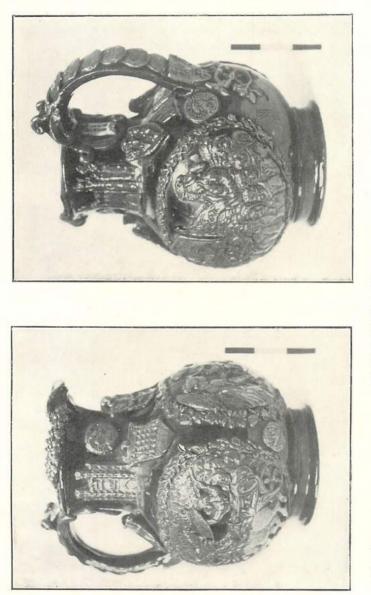
Leather Shot Flask with patent brass nozzle, stamped medallion, shooter and setters, on side. Purchased. 1937.09

Leather Shot Flask. Donor, the Assistant, Mr. T. Smith. 1938'09

- Leather Shot Belt, 18th—19th century. Donor, Mr. Charles Hayward. 1951-10
- Leather Shot Flask, 18th—19th century. Donor, Mr. Charles Hayward. 1952'10
- Pistol Powder Horn in copper and brass, 18th-19th century. Donor, Mr. Charles Hayward. 1953'10
- Two Bullet Moulds and three Nipple Extractors Donor, Mr. Charles Hayward. 1954-5.10
- Fragments of Mediæval Pottery, from Mill Green, Fryerning 14th—15th century. Donor, Mr. Miller Christy, F.L.S. 1956¹⁰

Mr. Christy says the part of the Green or Common on which the potsherds are found is still known as "Potters' Row."

Glass Bottle used by lace-makers to concentrate light by filling with water and placing in front of candle. Donor, Mr. Vernon B. Crowther-Beynon, M.A., F.S.A. 1957'10



From Photographs by the Curator.

· THE ESSEX JUG, 1975'10.

Plate I.

Leather Shot Belt for two sizes of shot. 18th—19th century. Donor, Mr. O. D. Belsham. 1959'10

Spit Skewer of steel. Donor, Mr. O. D. Belsham.

1960.10

- Needle Threader of lead in form of a key. Donor, Mr. H. J. Seaden. 1970'10
- The "Essex Jug," of Hedingham ware, ornamented with medallions of Boadicean Revolt and Dunmow Flitch Ceremony, allegorical group representing Essex, arms of the County and Boroughs and great families, representations of Colchester and Hedingham Castles, Layer Marney and other seats, Coins of Cunobeline, Carausius and Constantine, oyster shells and wheat ears, covered with a rich dark brown glaze. Under the base is incised "E. Bingham, Castle Hedingham. No. 3 Trial piece for the Essex Jug." Height 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins., diameter $7\frac{1}{2}$ ins. Purchased. (*Plate I.*) 1975'10
- Brass Pin, the head formed by twisting a piece of wire round stem. 18th century. Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1980¹⁰
- Pair of Pistol Holsters, about beginning of 19th century. Donors, Messrs. W. Claridge & Co. 1997'10
- Wrought Iron Scrollwork from over an ancient garden gate in New Street, Braintree. Early 18th century. Donor, the Rev. J. W. Kenworthy. 2002¹⁰
- Shot Flask with curved and embossed leather pouch. Purchased. 2014.10
- Powder Flask with browned copper body to resemble leather pouch; stamped Sykes. Purchased. 2015¹⁰

Powder Flask with embossed copper body; stamped Sykes Patent. Purchased. 2016.10 Knuckle Duster of bronze or gun metal. Purchased. 2017.10 Hanging Knife Box in oak. Purchased. 2025.10

COINS, TOKENS, MEDALS, &c.

- Farthing, Victoria, 1839; One Penny Model, Victoria;Halfpenny, George III., 1806. Donor, CouncillorE. A. Blaxill. 1792.09
- "Second Brass" of Vespasian (A.D. 69-79). Rev. Eagle on Globe, S.C. Purchased. 1839.09
- Trade Token. Obv. Grocer's Arms, JOHN SEWELL GROCER # Rev. IN COLCHESTER. 1653 * Donor, Mr. P. R. Papillon. 1888'09
- Copper Coin, States of Jersey, ¹/₁₈th of a Shilling, 1861. Bronze ditto ¹/_{4.8}th of a Shilling, 1877. Bronze ditto, Guernsey, 8 Doubles, 1864. Copper ditto, East India Company, 1804. Copper ditto, Farthing, George IV., 1822. Donor, Master Donald Blaxill. 1890.09
- Bronze Coin of Constantine (A.D. 333-350). Donor. Mr. T. Munson. 1894.09
- "Small Brass" of Probus (A.D. 276-282). Donor, the Chairman, Councillor E. H. Barritt, J.P. 1908.09
- Trade Token. Obv. Façade of Shire Hall, Chelmsford, below which on ribbon, SHIRE HALL. Rev, a crown with sceptre and palm branch; above, on double scroll, KING AND CONSTITUTION; below, 17[9]4. Engraved on edge, PAYABLE AT CLACHAR AND CO.'s, CHELMSFORD, ESSEX. Donor, Mr. J. Barton Caldicott. 1944'09

- Trade Token. Obv. ELIZABETH VAVGHAN. HER PENY Rev. OF AVLEY IN ESSEX. 1669. Donor, Mr. J. Barton Caldicott. 1945.09
- Trade Token. Obv. a Hare, WILLIAM HVCHENSON. Rev. IN CHELMSFORD. W. H. Donor, Mr. J. Barton Caldicott. 1946'09

Irish Farthing, Charles I. Donor, Mr. A. E. Purkiss. 1989'10

- Five "Small Brass" Coins of Constantine family and Tetricus. Donor, Mr. A. E. Purkiss. 1989.10
- Trade Token of Chelmsford, 1794. A similar example to No. 1944'09. Donor, Mr. Alfred P. Wire. 2006'10
- "First Brass" of Faustina, junr. (died A.D. 175), wife of Marcus Aurelius. Obv. Bust to right, FAVSTINAE AVG PII [AVG FIL]. Rev. Standing figure in long robe, legend illegible. Donor, Mr. A. E. Purkiss. 2009'10
- Irish Crown, in copper, of James II., 1690 (type, British Numismatic Journal, New Series, Vol. I., plate III., fig. 14). Obv. Equestrian figure of King to left. Irish Half Crown, in copper, of James II, 1686. Obv. Bust of King to left (type, B.N.J. New Series, Vol. I., plate III., fig. 5). Copper Coin of Guernsey, 8 Doubles, 1864. Ditto, 1 Double, 1830. East India Company, Half Anna, 1845. Ditto, Quarter Anna, 1835. Ditto, small Coin, with value in native characters, 1833. Province of Lower Canada, Half Penny, 1837. Ionian Islands, 2 Copper Coins, 1818 and 1862. Donor, Mr. G. Connor. 2010⁻¹⁰

- Trade Token. Obv. IERVEMY . ERDS # Rev. OF MANNINGTREE . IN . ESSEX * '& E Purchased. 2011 10
- Trade Token. Obv. SAMVEL. IRONS. AT. PURFLET CHALFE 166 * Rev. An oven or furnace. 2012'10 PENY
- Two Trade Tokens. Obv. Three fleurs-de-lys, ABRAHAM . THRESHER . OF & Rev. BILLERICAY . IN . ESSEX . HIS PALF 2012'10
- Trade Token. Obv. ELIZABETH . GOEVER * HALF PENY Rev. AT RANBAM . 1668 E G 2012'10
- Trade Token. Obv. A man with sword and spear. TVRNE. A. PENNY. Rev. IN BRAINTRY * 1656 * 1.6 2012'10
- Trade Token. Obv. A sugar loaf. THOMAS. STEEVENS.OF.ROMFORD.1651 & 2012'10
- Trade Token. Obv. IOHN LAWRENCE . 1662 &. Rev. OF. COLCHESTER.I.L. 2012'10
- Trade Token. Obv. A fleur de lys. SAMVELL. WAYTE & Rev. OF BILLEREKEY * ^W 2012'10
- Trade Token. Obv. Shepherd with crook and sheep. PEETER PEARCEE * Rev. IN BRAINTREE * PP. * 2012'10
- Irish Farthing, Charles I. Sixpence, GEORGE III., 1817. Lion Shilling, GEORGE IV., 1826. Donor, Mr. J. Barton Caldicott. 2012¹⁰

Twelve Tokens and Coins in all.

MSS. PRINTS, MAPS, PHOTOGRAPHS, AND PRINTED MATTER.

- Set of eight Illustrations of the most important Essex Brasses. Donor, Dr. E. Bertram Smith. 1810.09
- Iwo photo Postcards of Roman Mosaic Pavement, Cirencester. Donor, Mr. Christopher Bowly.

1817.00

- Photo Postcard of Roman Stone Water-pipes found at Grassington. Donor, Mr. John Crowther. 1818.09
- Set of seven Pictorial Postcards of coins, pictures, etc., relating to St. Helen and Colchester. Donor, Mrs. E. O. Gordon. 1830.09
- "Parish's Portfolio of Antiquities, No. 1, Colchester." Donor, Mr. F. Loose. 1847'09
- Seven Certificates of Shares of the "Colchester Gas Light and Coke Company, 1839." Donor, the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1851.09
- Photograph of Burial Group. 1st century, A.D., found at Orsett. Donor, Mr. E. B. Francis, 1856.09
- Two Photographs of Palæolithic Implements found by donor at Dovercourt, Essex. Donor, Colonel W. C. Underwood, B.A. 1877'09
- Pictorial Times, May 20th, 1843, containing illustration and account of Colchester New Town Hall. Purchased. 1880.00
- Colchester Pageant, Book of the Words, illustrated edition. Donor, Councillor A. M. Jarmin. 1895.09
- A number of Pageant Posters, Programmes, Tickets, Books of the Words and Music, etc. Donors, the Pageant Committee. 1896.09

- Photograph of Speede's Map of Essex with Plan of Colchester, printed by John Norden, 1662. Donor, Mr. S Hawkes, Tasmania. 1906'09
- Photograph reproduction of large Scale Drawing of the Prehistoric "Dugout" boat found at Brigg, Lincolnshire, 1879. Donor, Mr. Alexander Mac-Dougall, jun, A.M.I.C.E. 1918.09
- Eleven Negatives of Pottery Groups in the Joslin Collection. Donor, Mr. A. Weddell. 1930.09
- Two photographs of Carvings in wood from Docker Hall, North Lancashire, discovered in flooring of an old barn. About 14th century. Donor, Captain Oliver J. North. 1991.10

The Hall was in the possession of the North family from 12th century.

- Photograph of a Roman Nether Mill Stone, used as a foundation for an Early English column at the east end of the Rectory undercroft of St. Olaves' Priory, Herringfleet, near Great Yarmouth. Donor, Dr. A. Smith Wynne. 1992'10
- Small Print, Hadrian visiting a Romano-British Pottery, from the painting by Sir L. Alma Tadema. Donor, Major E. C. Freeman. 1996¹⁰
- Photo Postcard of Roman Antefixes found at Holt, near Chester. Donor, Mr. Arthur Acton. 2000¹⁰
- Photograph of Workmen with Late-Celtic Burial Group found at Braintree and now in the Colchester Museum. Donor, the Rev. J. W. Kenworthy.

2003.10

C. de V. Photograph of Councillor John Marsden, died at Fingringhoe about 1850. Donor, Mr. T. Forster. 2005¹⁰

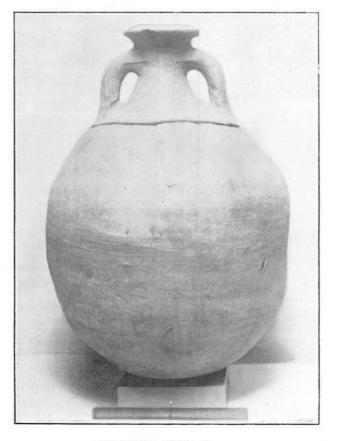


Plate V.

AMPHORA CIST, 1820'09. From Photograph by the Curator.

- Series of Rubbings of Essex Bell Inscriptions made for the Authors' work on Essex Bells. Donors, the Rev. Prebendary Cecil Deedes and Mr. H. B. Walters, M.A. 1940 09
- Photograph of Roman Mortaria, Lead Vessels, etc., in the Chesters Museum. Donor, Mr. Thomas May, F.S.A. (Scot.) 2024'10
- Face of Envelope franked by Lord Ashburton to Sir G. H. Smyth, Bart., M.P., Berechurch Hall. 15th April, 1836. Donor, Councillor A. M. Jarmin. 2026'10

LOANS.

Large globular Amphora (Seria) the neck of which had been sawn through below the handles, to enable a cremated burial to be made in the amphora which, when the neck was replaced, formed a cist or vault. The cremated remains were in a glass vessel with a leaden cover; the vessel and cover were unfortunately separated from the find when sold by the finders. Deposited on loan by Councillor Ernest S. Beard, J.P. (*Plate V.*) 1820.09

Another example of burial in an amphora is to be seen in the case alongside. Other examples are in the Guildhall Museum, London, one of which was figured and described in *The Daily Graphie*, October 7th, 1904. For a description of *Seria*, see Rich, *Dictionary of Roman and Greek Antiquities*, under name,

- Pewter Cup, 5 ins. high, with crown engraved on side and under foot, "W. Claydon, Southend." Date about 1800. Deposited on loan by Mr. R. G. Williment. 1787.09
- Head of Carved Oak Panel from Screen of Orsett Church, Essex. Date about 1450. Deposited on loan by Mr. R. G. Williment. 1788.09

- Brass Spur, gilt, with rowel of nine points, found at Ongar, Essex. Date about end of 17th century. Deposited on loan by Mr. R. G. Williment. 1789.09
- Fragments of Painted Glass, said to have come from an Essex Church. Leaded into an oak frame. 13th century. Deposited on loan by the Hon. Curator, Alderman H. Laver, F.S.A. 1914'09
- "Acoustic Jar," of hard red ware with convex base, found in wall of Birchanger Church, Essex. Length 13 ins., diameter $6\frac{3}{4}$ ins. Early 14th century. Deposited on loan by Mr. T. Harrison. (*Plate VI.*) 1929 09

Birchanger Church is a Norman church with a 13th century chancel.

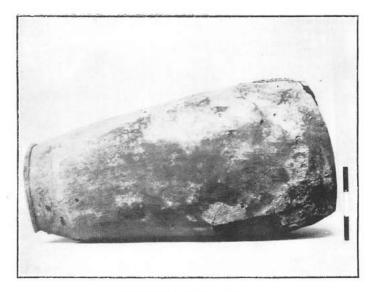
Wild-fowling Gun, which has been converted from a Flintlock to a Percussion gun. It was up till 1828 the property of Mr. John Laver, of Latchingdon, Maldon, and now is deposited by his grandson, Alderman Henry Laver, F.S.A. 1873.09

This type of gun was the favourite for duck shooting up to the earlier years of the 19th century. Its weight allowed a heavier charge and the shot carried further than a lighter and shorter gun. Sitting shots being the rule in those days, it could be pushed through the rank grass on the sea wall or fired from behind any other shy.

Bronze Age Beaker (*Abercromby*,* type *a*) of reddish brown exterior, polished and decorated with horizontal and diagonal lines of small rectangular impressions. Repaired and restored by the Curator from fragments deposited on loan. Found near Langham. Deposited by Mr. S. Blyth. 2019'10

* "A Proposed Chronological arrangement of the Drinking Cup or Beaker Class of Fictilia in Britain." By the Hon. John Abercromby. *Proceedings, Society of Antiquities of Scotland.* Vol. XXXVIII.





ACOUSTIC JAR, 1929.09.



POWDER HORNS, 1885; 1895'09. 1932, 1936'10. From Photographs by the Curator.

Museum Library.

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ADDITIONS BY GIFT AND PURCHASE,

From 1st April, 1909, to 31st March, 1910.

BOOKS, GUIDES, PAMPHLETS, &c.

- Volume of Reprints of Papers on various Archæological subjects, by Henry Laver, F.S.A. Donor, the Author. 1780^{.09}
- "The Poet of Husbandry," by H. W. Lewer (Reprint). Donor, the Author. 1798.09

A biography of Thomas Tusser, of Rivenhall, Essex.

- Interim Report, Red Hills Exploration Committee, 1906-7. Donor, the Hon. Sec., Mr. H. Wilmer, C.E. 1803.09
- The "Essex Naturalist," Vol. XV., parts 4-6; Vol. XVI., parts 1 and 2. Donors, the Council of the Essex Field Club. 1804.09; 1879.09
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