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GEBEL MOYA - GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

11/16

Mr. Smith.

I enclose herewith a letter from Mr. Crawford which I brought before Mr. Wellcome yesterday. He wishes you to write in reply a letter to be marked private, telling him the present situation about the kite and stating that Col. Jack has been advised of the matter.

April 11th, 1916.

Wellcome Medical Historical Museum.

Mr. Smith.

Herewith some further papers concerning the silver coins
found in the Soudan.

C.J.S.T.

March 24th., 1916.

Wellcome Historical Medical Museum

Mr. Smith.

I have a note from Mr. Sinel dated October 29th in which he says, "Mr. King came here last evening and told me that he had been to Dartford, but could not find any cases for me. because there was no getting at to see all the numbers and that the men had found cases bearing the numbers I left with them, and they contained pottery."

Mr. Wellcome has seen this note, and asked me if you will have it explained why the numbers used for the flint implements were also used on the cases containing pottery. He states that the checking system of records should have prevented any mistake of this kind. He further states that there should be a list of cases of pottery and stones as they were shipped which should be among the permanent records, and that you would know what cases have been shipped from this list. Will you let me know, if you can form any definite idea, whether these cases of flints are still in the Sudan or whether they were shipped to Dartford.

11 November 1915.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Smith.

Re your note with respect to Mr. Sinel's visit to Dartford.

Mr. Sinel says the numbers of cases containing the flakes that he wants are:- 1622, 1624, 1625, 1626. These numbers are according to Mr. King's list, by whom they were packed. The cases all contain flake flints.

20 October 1915.

W.H.M.M.

Numbers of Cases containing Flasks.
According to list.

1622.

1624.

1625.

1626.

Mr. Smith.

Mr. Wellcome wishes you to write to the man in Gebel Moya
(of whom he knows) asking him to let you know the translation
of the word MEUYL.

27 October 1915.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Smith.

I received the enclosed note from Mr. Barrett yesterday, and this morning have investigated the matter.

Mr. Barrett says his statement is perfectly correct, and that he has been asked several times since last December for a photo, especially of Mr. W. with some of the Sudanese natives. I spoke to Stow this morning, and he admits having done so. I asked him why, and what was the reason for it? He would only say "out of curiosity." He denies having used the language attributed to him, but I am somewhat doubtful on the point. It appears to me as if there was something behind this beyond mere curiosity. I cross-examined him, but he would admit nothing more than that, and I told him that he had absolutely no right ever to have asked for anything of the kind, and I must consider what to do in the matter. Will you let me know what you think about it?

4 May 1915.

W.H.M.M.

780, Smith & King. 19th Sept. 1914.

Mr. Smith and Mr. King.

Mr. Wellcome wishes Mr. King to get from the docks the case or cases containing the pottery of the first season's excavations which came with the last shipment this year.

One case he particularly wants selecting is that containing one of the groups of numbers that came from the "Water Store". This is to be recorded with the number.

The cases are to be sent to Dartford, and on arrival Mr. King is to go down and superintend their opening, and have the small sacks of pottery taken out, and set the girls down there who have worked on the pottery before, to wash and carefully number each piece.

Each piece after being washed is to be marked with its proper number and date with a rubber stamp or in permanent India ink.

One sack of pottery of pottery is to be thus treated at a time.

Mr. King can identify the proper cases from his list or from Mr. Smith's.

Mr. Wellcome suggests that rain water should be used if obtainable for the washing. If not, that some alkali like borax should be used to soften the water if it has no action on the surface of the pottery. If a softener is used, it should be well diluted.

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19 September 1914.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Smith.

Confirming telephone message.

Will you please ask Mr. Uribe to have luncheon with
Mr. Wellcome tomorrow (Friday) at the Welbeck Palace Hotel
at 1 p.m.

17 Sept. 1914.

~~W. E. Smith.~~

ff him

28 October 1913.

Dear Dr. Jowett,

We shall be quite ready for your van to remove the next batch of pottery tomorrow (Wednesday) morning between 10 a.m. and 12 o'clock.

Faithfully yours,

C. J. S. T.

WELLCOME CHEMICAL WORKS
DARTFORD, KENT

27th. October 1913

Dear Mr. Thompson,

We are now ready for the 1912 Sudan Pottery and shall be glad to know if it will be convenient for our van to call for same on Wednesday next, the 29th. inst.

Yours faithfully,

H. A. D. Powell

Mr. C.J.S. Thompson,
54a, Wigmore Street,
LONDON, W.C.

4 October 1913.

Dear Dr. Jowett,

I have had Miss Biggs fully instructed during the week as regards the sorting of the ancient pottery, and she appears to have picked the matter up intelligently and quickly, so that I do not think it is necessary for her to come up to London again.

I am sending this morning by the motor van when it calls, all the pottery that has been sorted, and that which remains to be sorted (of which Miss Biggs has been fully informed) of what we call the first year's excavations, i.e. 1910. All this batch must be kept entirely separate, and never mixed with the lot that will follow along as soon as the girls have finished the sorting of the first batch. I do not expect it will take them very long to finish off this first instalment, and then they can have the next season's pottery, 1911-12 sent down as soon as they are ready. About the last week of this month,

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I will come down one afternoon, and see how they are getting on.

I hope the references I sent you re the Roman roads, etc. have proved useful.

I am,
Faithfully yours,

Ham

30 September 1913.

Dear Dr. Jowett,

In reply to yours of the 25th inst., I think you will find what you require with reference to the Roman Occupation of this country and the Roman roads in Britain in the following:-

"Our Roman Highways", by U.A. Forbes & A.C. Burnester.

"Roman Roads in Britain" by T. Codrington, 1905.

"La Dominazione romana nella gran Bretagna", by P. Manfrin, 1904.

Another fine work, perhaps the best published on the subject, is "Lapidarium Septentrionale: or, a description of the Monuments of Roman Rule in the North of England, published by the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-on-Tyne; by J. Collingwood Bruce".

As far as I know there is no separate book published giving details of the discoveries at Corstopitum, but you will find an account of the excavations, I believe, in the Proceedings or Transactions of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-on-Tyne and also of the Archaeological Society of Oxford.

I had a man on my staff up to six or seven months ago who was an

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assistant on the excavations at Corstopitum, and I will try and find out his address and ascertain from him exact details of the papers published in connection with the same.

I regret we have none of these books in our Library, or we should have been pleased to lend them to you, but you would be able to obtain them either at the London Library or at the British Museum Reading Room.

We started Miss Biggs on the work yesterday. She seems to be intelligent, and, as far as I can judge from the first day, is taking to it very well. I should think by Friday afternoon she ought to be capable of instructing the other girls you propose to put on the work.

With reference to the removal of the pottery to Dartford, Mr. Wellcome is very desirous that the pottery excavated during the past three seasons should not be mixed in any way. I think therefore it will be best to send you the result of the first season's excavation to begin with, and after they have sorted that and completed it they can go on with that of the second season, which can be sent down when required.

Faithfully yours,

WELLCOME CHEMICAL WORKS
DARTFORD, KENT

27th. September 1913

Dear Mr. Thompson,

The bearer of this note is Miss M. Biggs whom we have arranged to be instructed in the sorting of the Sudan Pottery. We hope that it will not be necessary for her to attend after Friday next, but in case you think she should we would suggest that it is not worth while her doing so on Saturday morning.

Yours truly,

Mr. C.J.S. Thompson,
54a, Wigmore Street,
London, E.C.

A. A. D. Jowett

WELLCOME CHEMICAL WORKS
DARTFORD, KENT

25th. September 1913

Dear Mr. Thompson,

Confirming the telephone conversation with you and relative to the sorting of the Sudan pottery at the Works, we are arranging to send one of our lady staff, Miss Biggs, up to the museum on Monday morning next, when she will arrive about 10 o'clock. We suggest that she should work from Monday until Friday on the premises set apart for this work and then if you think her sufficiently instructed we shall send our motor up on Saturday to call for a load of the pottery; the work will then be commenced at the Club on Monday week.

Miss Biggs has been told that her hours will be approximately from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and her travelling expenses will be paid from this end.

Please advise us if there are any alterations to be made in the arrangements,

Yours truly,

Mr. C.J.S. Thompson,
Wigmore Street,
London.

H. A. D. Fowell

Hmm

1st September 1913.

Dear Dr. Jowett,

re: Sorting of ancient pottery from the Soudan.

On going into this matter further I find I shall not be able to send Miss Bostock down to Dartford to instruct your girls in the sorting of the pottery. I am, however, making arrangements to have the best of your girls instructed at the flat, where the pottery now is, towards the end of September. If within the next three weeks you will kindly select the most intelligent and trustworthy girl for this purpose, I will arrange for her to come up to town to be thoroughly coached in the work for a week or fortnight, after which she will be capable of instructing the others at Dartford.

I am going away tomorrow for a week or two, and will write you again making final arrangements directly I return. Meanwhile I should be glad if you would make your selection of a suitable candidate, so that she would be ready to come as soon as required.

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Thanking you in anticipation,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

Mr. Smith.

Our last number for the photographic plate cases stored at Shoolbred's is 3, so your numbers had better begin from 4 and be marked 'P.N. H.S.W. Sudan.'

If you will have the bag of earth and other heavy stuff from Mr. Bulbrook sent here, it can be placed in the crypt.

17th February 1913.

Wigmore St.

Mr. Smith.

Re Attached.

Llewelyn tells me the negatives are those of the objects that were carted here and packed in boxes for storage.

They should be labelled "Objects excavated at Gebel Moya in the Soudan Expedition Season 1911-12."

20Dec. 1912.

Wigmore Street.

Mr. Smith.

Herewith one Leopard's Skin I have purchased at 63/- to be despatched
as soon as possible to Mr. ^W/Gebel Moyax, Sudan.

28th. November, 1912-

Mr. Smith.

I send herewith two Leopard Skins I have purchased to go out with
the next ship to Gebel Moya, Sudan.

Copy of invoice enclosed.

22nd. October, 1912.

Mr C. J. S. Thompson

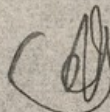
The negatives and films etc from Gebel Moya for the seasons 1910/1911 and 1911/1912 have now been packed in boxes and are ready to go to Shoolbred's; there are 9 cases Will you please therefore give me nine numbers so that I can have the cases numbered and then when they are sent to Shoolbred's I had better give you a list of the contents of these 9 cases.

I have a bag of earth and some other heavy stuff from Mr Bullbrook. I believe originally this was in your charge, and I think all the Gebel Moya stuff should be with you. Have you any place where the ~~cases~~ can be put.

things

S.M.

14th February 1913



Mr. Smith.

We have discovered the list of books at Gebel Moya which is enclosed herewith for you to compare with yours. Kindly return same when you have finished with it.

I am also sending you a number of our Library catalogue cards.

C.J.S.T.

pp. R.J.

15 August 1913.

Wigmore Street.

Mr. Smith.

I am sending you herewith negatives of Radiographs
of Gebel Moya Pathological Specimens.

C.J.S.T.

25 June 1913.

Wigmore St.

Mr. Smith.

Re Attached.

Llewellyn tells me the negatives are those of the objects that were carded here and packed in boxes for storage.

They should be labelled "Objects excavated at Gebel Moya in the Soudan Expedition, season 1911-12.

20 Dec. 1912.

Wigmore Street.

Mr C.J.S. Thompson

I have received from Mr Frank King a list of books at Gebel Moya, taken by Mr. Dudley Buxton.

I want to make a card index of this list, and I thought therefore that you might send me, say, 100 of the cards you use at the library, as I think they will fully meet the case.

I want also to compare the list now sent to me with your record of the books at Gebel Moya. Can you send your record to me therefore, or must I send to you the list I have for comparison?

26th July 1913

S.M.



S.H.B. blue

16th October 1912.

Dear Sir Lauder,

Having discovered an interesting prehistoric site in the region of the Blue Nile, I have been carrying out excavations and have discovered many objects illustrative of the life and industries of early primitive races. A selection of the chief objects are now in London, and knowing your interest in this field of research, I shall be very pleased to show them to you at any convenient time you mention, if you will kindly advise me.

I am

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

Sir Lauder Brunton,
Stratford Place.

S.H.B. blue

16th October 1912.

Dear Sir Hercules,

You have probably heard that I have been carrying our excavations on an interesting prehistoric site in the region of the Blue Nile, and have found many objects illustrative of the life and industries of early primitive races. A selection of the chief objects is now in London, and knowing your interest in this field of research, I shall be very pleased to show them to you at any convenient time you may mention, if you will kindly advise me.

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S. W.

Sir Hercules Reade,
The British Museum.

File.



Recd
17 OCT 1912

BRITISH MUSEUM,


16 Oct 1912

LONDON: W.C.

Dear Mr Wellcome

I had heard of your
diggings and I shall
be most interested in
seeing what you have
got from them.

I think I could come
next Tuesday ^{22nd.} afternoon
but as we are very
short handed here



just now, I would ring
you up in the morning
(if you can give me a
number) and let you
know for certain.

It is very kind of
you to think of me

Yours
C. H. Reed

Snow Hill Buildings.

18th October 1912.

Dear Sir Hercules,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 16th inst, from which I note with pleasure that you will call and see the objects excavated in the Louvre, on Tuesday next.

When telephoning on Tuesday stating what time you will call, will you please ring up No 3461 Mayfair, and ask for Mr Thompson and tell him.

Faithfully yours,

Sir C.H. Reade.

64, Wigmore Street,

20th. October, 1912.

Dear Sir Gerald,

Will you kindly accept the enclosed little
pocket medicine case which I have had fitted for
you with some useful remedies for common ailments.

I trust you may never have to employ them,
but it is comforting to carry something of the
kind when travelling and in case of necessity it
will prove more useful than an assistant.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. J. S. T.

TELEPHONE NO 2

14 OCT 1912

Oct 11.

LANGLEY LODGE,
HEADINGTON HILL,
OXFORD.

Dear Mr. Wellcome

I wonder if you could spare me
some examples of your flint-engraved
(as I hold) pottery from your own finds
together with samples of the agate
or chalcedony etc flakes found associated
with the pottery. I am very anxious to
compare the technique with that of
the Khamsi & Shlo Shlo ruins, to see
how far there is an exact correspondence.
I thought that you may have some
duplicate specimens which you
would not miss from your great

store of material. At least I hope
you will forgive my asking. The
parallel between the N. & S. African
wares interests me greatly & the
possible relationship of the two
cultures "donne à penser". I
have nowhere seen so marked a
parallel to my discovery at Khani
as is afforded by your finds. I
hope that you will give instructions
for collecting even the rudest flakes
& implements of silicious stone,

& that you may find places where this post-baking engraving was executed so as to get a direct association of the 'flint' & the pottery engraved with them.

Of course, if you are kindly able to let me have some examples, I should publish nothing without your authority to do so. In any case, please do not hesitate to say "no", if you would rather not send away some of the specimens.

There is one point which it occurs to me to add — In view of the very large numbers of ground stone celts etc, it seems likely that there may be in

The neighbourhood rocks or boulders showing the surface scored with grooves caused by grinding the implements, granite or hard, gritty sandstones would be likely to have been so used, & plaster casts or even paper squeezes of the grooves would be valuable, if possible could be taken again from these, so as to show their character better than photos can do. I have lately touched on such grooved rocks in Ashanti associated with numbers of small ground celts, not-unlike those from your finds. You may (if you have not already done so) find the factory sites of the stone implements. It seemed worth suggesting this in case such grooved rocks or stones have not-as yet-been looked for.

TELEPHONE No 2.

LANGLEY LODGE,
HEADINGTON HILL,
OXFORD.

I hope you will have a great season & shall be very keen to know what comes to light this time. I also hope that my two nominees on your staff will help you as efficiently as I anticipate. I know that the experience will be excellent for them. Buxton is new to field work of this kind, but I have rubbed caution into him & have taught him prehistorics for his diploma, & I also have faith in his keenness on natural history fieldwork as a help to careful observation.

Wishing you the best of luck
with kind regards

Sincerely
Henry Walford.

October 18th, 1912.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 11th inst. addressed to
Mr. Mellicome duly to hand. He left town for
Egypt last week, so I am forwarding it on to him.
Directly I have a reply regarding your request,
I shall be pleased to communicate with you again.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

Professor Falfour.
Langley Lodge.
Headington Hill. Oxford.

54 Wigmore St

18th October 1912.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Wellcome before leaving London asked me to write and ask you if you could recommend him a young lady who has had some experience in classifying and sorting primitive pottery. It is necessary that she should have had some experience in this work, and be keen and intelligent. If you know of anyone likely, I should be glad if you could kindly put me in touch with her.

Thanking you in anticipation,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Professor Balfour,
Langley Lodge,
Headington Hill,
Oxford.

54 Wigmore Street

24th October 1912.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Wellcome has asked to forward
you the enclosed coin struck by the
Khalifa at Omduman which he promised to
send you. The translation of the
inscription is 'God acceptable', 20 piastres
and the date of the Mohammedan year 1312.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. J. S. T.

Professor Balfour,
Langley Lodge,
Headington Hill,
Oxford.

PITT RIVERS MUSEUM,
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

Dear Sir

Please excuse delay in writing as I have been laid up
for a week. Many thanks for the Khalifa's coin
which I am entering as presented by Mr. Wellcome.
I am afraid I do not know of any young lady who is
skilled in pottery, though I have made some enquiries.
Should I hear of one I will let you know at once.
I gather you want someone experienced in classifying
& mending pottery & not merely someone who could
learn & without previous knowledge -

Believe me

Faithfully
Henry Dalfour.

54, Wigmore Street,

6th. November, 1912.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter

With reference to the lady we require, it is most desirable that she should have some experience and knowledge in classifying ancient pottery, but mending is not required.

Thanking you for the trouble you have taken in the matter,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Prof. Henry Balfour,
Pitt Rivers Museum,
University of Oxford.

101, BANBURY ROAD,

OXFORD.

24. 5. 12.

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

Very many thanks
for your note. I am sorry
that I have a meeting
at 4. on Tuesday; but
as you kindly say that
2³⁰ would be possible for
you, I will call there to

see your collections: to which
I look forward with the
greatest interest.

I could not telegraph
tonight, as they tell me
at the Post-Office that the
line has broken down.

Yours very sincerely

John H. Myers.

Genl Mnyar

54 Wigmore St.

13th August 1912.

Dear Sir,

Anticipating that you might be interested in the human remains found during my excavations in Southern Sudan, I requested Dr. Derry to invite you to inspect some of the skulls I brought to London. I am not sure that Dr. Derry has been able to arrange this with you, as I have not seen him for some days. It occurs to me that you might also desire to see some of the objects which were found in situ with the burials, and perhaps also some of the other objects discovered in the course of my excavations in the Sudan.

I would, of course, study your convenience in making an appointment, if you will intimate to me your wishes.

It is my intention to read a brief paper on my excavations before the Archaeological Section at the British Association Meeting at Dundee.

I remain,
Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

Dr. Elliot Smith,
The University,
Manchester.

11, NORHAM GARDENS,
OXFORD.

3 Aug. 1912

Dear Sir,

Mr. D. G. Hogarth tells me
that you would like me to see
your archaeological collections from
the Sudan. I need not say that
I should greatly value an opportunity
of doing so and that I would
respect your wishes as to non-
publication.

I can be in town next week
on either Wednesday ~~or~~ Thursday ^{4⁰⁰}

on Friday and would call at your
hotel on either of those days, as
may be most convenient to you.

Yours truly

T. H. Griffith

H. S. Welcome

54 Wigmore St.

17th August 1912.

Dear Professor Griffith,

I regret that it has not been possible for me to visit Oxford this week as I anticipated, and just for the moment I am uncertain when it will be possible for me to get away.

This is very disappointing, as I particularly desired to see your objects, which you so kindly invited me to view. I hope, however, that it may be possible for me to see them at some future time.

Again thanking you for your kindness in giving me the opportunity,

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Henry S. Wellcome,
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RECEIVED.
19 AUG 1912

11, NORHAM GARDENS,
OXFORD.

17 Aug. 1912.

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

I had been hoping daily to hear of your
coming and am at any rate glad to
think that you will do so before long.
Nothing has as yet been sent away
but we hope to get things ready for
packing in the coming week. Can you
not arrange say for next Wednesday
or Thursday?

Yours very truly

F. H. Griffiths.

20 AUG 1912

PROFESSOR GRIFFITHS

11, NORHAM GARDENS

OXFORD

ARRIVING

OXFORD

11.15

THURSDAY

MORNING

WELLCOME

Train leaves Paddington 9.50 a.m.

Welbeck Palace Hotel.

1st August 1912.

Dear Professor Newberry,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 31st ult., from which I note that Mr. Eric Peet will be able to see me in London. I will write to him, and arrange a date, as soon as I possibly can.

I shall be most pleased if you can find time to look in and see the collection of objects excavated the next time you are in London.

Thanking you for your kindness, and the trouble you have taken in the matter,

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

18th July 1912.

Mr. King.

Mr. Wellcome has asked me to remind you that when the new photographer comes on to work, Mr. Wellcome wants some experiments made in colour-photography, to enable the operator to take some perfect plates when in Egypt.

C.J.S.T.

11th July 1912.

Mr. Lane.

Herewith two cases of cameras from the Sudan, and the boxes
containing photographic negatives, *one parcel containing*
prints & list of negatives, etc.

C.J.S.T.

54 Wigmore St.

1st August 1912.

Dear Sir,

I have recently returned from the Sudan where I have been carrying out some archaeological work, and have a selection of the objects excavated on view at the above address.

If you are still in London, it would give me great pleasure to show them to you, if you could let me know the hour and date which would be most convenient to you.

Trusting you may favour me with a visit,

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

Sir Edwin Ray Lankester,
K.C.B., LL.D., F.R.S.,

29 Thurloe Place,

South Kensington, S.W.

S H B blue

30th September 1912.

Dear Sir Edwin,

Having discovered an interesting prehistoric site in the region of the Blue Nile, I have been carrying out excavations and have discovered many objects illustrative of the life and industries of early primitive races. A selection of the chief objects are now in London, and knowing your interest in this field of research, I shall be very pleased to show them to you at any convenient time you may mention during this week, if you will kindly advise me.

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

54 Wigmore St.

1st August 1912.

Dear Sir,

I have recently returned from the Sudan, where I have been carrying out some archaeological work, and have a selection of the objects excavated on view at the above address.

If you are still in London, it would give me great pleasure to show them to you, if you could let me know the hour and date which would be most convenient to you.

I have been greatly interested in your researches of the past year, the results of which I saw at King's College.

I may say I propose to read a paper on the subject of my excavations at the International Prehistoric Anthropological and Archaeological Congress at Geneva in September next, of which Congress I understand you are to be President.

Trusting you may favour me with a visit,

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

Professor Naville,
Society of Biblical Archaeology,
37 Great Russell Street, W.C.



قلم جبل مويا
سنار

EXCAVATION CAMP
GEBEL MOYA
SENNAR PROVINCE
A. E. SUDAN

22 JAN 1912

9th January 1912.

Dear Sir,

Mr Wellcome requests that I send for your information, to be transmitted to those who are cleaning and mending the Gebel Moya material under your care at Wigmore Street, a brief note in regard to the pottery. Much of the pottery I saw there was ornamented with deeply incised designs. As I anticipated, we have recently found that in some cases, these incisions were filled with dry mineral colouring matter. This has in time become obscured by being filled with a silicious deposit, which has, in some cases, become fairly hard. Therefore, in cleaning the fragments, those employed to do ~~this~~ should be told, that, from the incised pieces, the crust should be carefully removed, ~~lest~~, in using stiff brushes, they take off not only the incrustation due to time and weather, but also any coloring matter which may be lying in the incisions under the natural deposit.

I should suggest, that, in ~~such~~ cases where it seems probable that coloring matter may have been employed in the decoration, each shard should be examined before washing with a coarse needle, and a lens. If several of the incisions are cleaned with a needle at random, and then examined under a strong lens, the operator could, without much difficulty, determine as to whether it is safe to scrape the piece with a stiff brush, or whether the natural incrustation must be removed by careful scraping and dry brushing. The colors to be looked out for are, green; yellow, red, blue and white.

I fancy that in most cases all traces of color will have disappeared owing to weathering, but agree with Mr Wellcome in his hope, that the Wigmore Street material may afford examples of this ornamentation. I should, in cleaning, particularly advise that acids, however diluted, should not be used, until it is quite certain that the objects to be cleaned have no color.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Orie Bates

C.J.S. Thompson, Esq.,
Burroughs Wellcome & Co.,
London.

54, WIGMORE STREET,

LONDON, W.

Jan. 26th, 1912.

Dear Mr. Bates,

Your letter of the 9th inst. duly to hand respecting the cleaning of the Gebel Moya pottery, etc., now at Wigmore Street.

At the present time we are still working on the stone implements and clay objects, and have not yet touched the pottery, but I expect we shall commence upon it in the space of a week or two. I have carefully noted your remarks and suggestions, and will see that the fragments are cleaned with the greatest possible care, so that any colouring matter that may be lying in the incisions under actual deposits is preserved intact. We will proceed on the lines you suggest, and examine each piece before washing, and look out for the colours you mention. In a further examination I have made of several likely pieces since your letter, I can only find traces of pale yellow colouring on the terra cotta, and of some white; but it is possible that other pieces may be discovered when they come to be cleaned.

With every wish for a successful season,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. J. J.

Mr. Oric Bates,
Excavation Camp,
Gebel Moya,
Sennar Province,
A.E. Sudan.

3rd July 1911.

Mr. Lane.

I am sending herewith several rolls of undeveloped films, taken by Mr. Wellcome when in the Sudan this year. He asked me to instruct you that they should be developed with the greatest possible care immediately, and prints submitted to him. He says it is necessary to have them developed without delay, as they have been exposed a considerable time.

Enclosed in the parcel also, is a telescope, belonging to Mr. Wellcome, returned from Egypt.

LIST OF TENTS.

A. Large Oval Appliqué Tent.

Circumference. 67 ft. 2½ in. = m. 20.43
 Distance between poles. 6 ft. 4½ in. = m. 1.94
 Height of walls. 6 ft. 6½ in. (including canvas. Net height of pole, 4½ in. less). = m. 1.98
 Length of walls. (1. 33 ft. 4 in. } = m. 10.13
 (2. 32 ft. 7 in. } 66 ft. = m. 20.06
 = m. 9.90

B. Blue Ground Tent.

Circumference. 34 ft. 1 in. = m. 10.36
 Height of walls. 5 ft. 10 in. = m. 1.77
 Length of walls. (1. 17 ft. 1 in. } = 5.17
 (2. 17 ft. 1 in. } 34 ft. 2 in. = m. 10.34
 = 5.17

C. Tent with White ground.

Circumference. 29 ft. 4 in. = m. 8.91
 Height of walls. 5 ft. 7 in. = m. 1.70
 Length of walls. (1. 15 ft. 2 in. } = m. 4.61
 (2. 15 ft. 2 in. } 30 ft. 4 in. = m. 9.22
 = m. 4.61

D. A. Pasha. Round Tent.

~~Put in case by itself.~~
~~Tents, Egyptian manufacture, no duty.~~

E. Green Tent.

7 ft. approx. = m. 2.128

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