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FIJI NATIVE POTTERY, ETC.

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MR. A. HAMILTON, then of the University of Otago, New Zealand, now Director of the New Zealand Colonial Museum, Wellington, New Zealand.

March 10th, 1897.

DEAR SIR,

Permit me to thank you for the opportunities you have given me of examining your very large Collections of Weapons and Curios from the Islands of the South Seas.

The great number of specimens renders the collection notable, especially when there is such an absence of what are known as "trade curios" of modern date.

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The collection, as a whole, would form a magnificent exposition of the warlike weapons of the South Pacific, and would be a credit to any large museum.

Yours truly,

(signed) . A. HAMILTON.



A CATALOGUE.

On WEDNESDAY, the 8th of MAY, 1907,

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LOT

1 Four Fiji clubs, all old specimens and different types and 1 Fiji sago pounder

Fine carved New Britain paddle and ceremonial club

Six Fiji clubs, various types

4 Wood gong (Lalis) used for calling people together, large sago pounder, pillow and whale tooth chaim, all from Fiji, Samoan fly whisk and Kingsmill shark tooth sword

5 Five Fiji clubs, various types, all old pieces

6 Twelve Solomon and New Hebrides spears and 4 bows

Two New Hebrides festive spears with human bone barbs

Bundle of 17 old carved and barbed spears from New Britain and Solomon Islands

9 Ditto

10 Five Fiji clubs all different types

II Six clubs from New Britain, Fiji and Solomon Islands

12 Fine New Britain ceremonial club with raised figure on blade

13 Six Fiji clubs, five different types

Solomon ornament of carved wood off the front of a house Large bundle of old Samoan tappa cloth and 2 dancing girdles Fiji gong of hard wood (Lalis), used for keeping time at 16 dances and for calling people together Large bundle of Solomon arrows with fine bone barbed 17 heads and 4 bows Two model catamarans with outriggers, the larger one 18 from Samoa, slightly carved 19 Two ditto 20 Old Fiji pillow, 2 small Fiji belt clubs, Kingsmill sword edged with shark's teeth and 2 small adze hafts Six Fiji clubs, all different and old specimens New Britain ceremonial club and paddle, well carved in Two New Hebrides clubs and 4 Fiji ditto including one 23 of light wood and coloured, in form of a trade axehead on shaft bound with bands of palm leaf 56975 Large cuirass and armpieces of cocoanut fibre, also helmet 24 of the skin of the porcupine fish and a small shark-tooth edged sword, all from the Gilbert Islands 25 Twelve long Solomon spears, some from Bougainville Island, fine carved and barbed specimens Large bundle of Solomon arrows and 4 bows 26 Quantity of old Samoan tappa cloth 27 28 Solomon paddle, Fiji headrest, belt club (Ula), whaletooth charm, Samoan fly whisk and New Guinea yam digger or sago stirer 29 Three Solomon blackened wood food dishes Large Solomon model canoe 8 feet 6 long, end ornamented with shells (detached)

Ditto smaller finely inlaid with pearl shell along sides and

1 small plain canoe

- 13 32 Six old South Sea clubs including Fiji belt club, Samoan paddle club and a rare type of a New Hebrides club
- 1 33 Solomon chief's curved steering club and a New Britain ceremonial club
- Solomon (Malanta) shield of wood, carved Solomon club small Samoan club, Fiji belt club and a Samoan fly whisk
- 35 Solomon (Malanta) shield of fine wicker work, a ditto club, Fiji whale tooth charm and whisk
- 36 Solomon axe with trade iron head, shaft inlaid with shell near head, scarce type of Fiji club and a Samoan carved wood object
 - 6- 37 Twelve fine spears from the Solomon Islands and New Britain
 - 57-38 Large bundle of Solomon arrows, 4 bows and a Solomon club
 - //- 39 Six war clubs including New Hebrides (fine specimen), New Britain ceremonial club, Trobriand and 3 Fiji types
 - 4 40 Bundle of Samoan dancing dresses, a New Zealand kilt of flax and a parcel of cut palm leaves used in smoking
 - 10-41 Six fine old Fiji clubs, all different types
 - 42 Solomon carved and painted figure and a New Ireland carved canoe ornament, also a plaster cast of a New Zealand Meri
 - 43 Very large shark tooth edged spear from the Kingsmill Islands
 - 44 Ditto, slightly smaller
 - 45 Ditto, different type
 - 46 Canoe paddle with carved heads on handle and painted blade, from the Solomon Islands, Fiji head-rest, small Fiji belt club, Samoan fly whisk, Solomon club, small Fiji tappa beater and a ditto whale tooth charm
 - New Britain ceremonial club, carved head, Florida Island paddle-shaped club, and 3 other clubs, from Fiji, New Britain and New Hebrides

- 1 -1 -0 48 Fine Fiji khava bowl, oval in shape, inside encrusted with use, also a specimen of the bark used in preparing the drink from the pepper tree (Piper methysticum)
- 1-8 49 Very large Samoan food bowl
 - 4/ 50 Large bundle of miscellaneous arrows, chiefly Solomon, and 4 long bows
- / 4-6 51 Fiji gong of hard wood, used at dances and feasts, Fiji charm made of a sperm whale tooth, head-rest and belt club (Ula), and a fibre fly whisk, from Samoa, handle of a bird's leg bone

Three Fiji ceremonial spears, each with 4 prongs

8-53 Two ditto

6/-54 Ditto Large bundle of tappa cloth, from Samoa

Quantity of fine woven mats, from Samoa

Fine New Britain ceremonial club, ditto stone-headed club, club from Trobriand Islands, and 3 Fiji clubs

Very rare New Britain paddle, blade carved in relief and painted, and a ceremonial club from New Britain

Twelve spears from the Solomon Islands and New Britain

Very fine Fiji khava bowl standing on four feet, oval shape, and a specimen of the bark used in preparing the drink

12 61 Ditto, larger

1-17-6 62 Ditto, very large, size 3 feet by 2 feet

67-63 Small round Fiji khava bowl (damaged) with specimen of the khava bark

15/. 64 Very old crescent-shaped Fiji oil dish - 2 65 Large Somoan food dish, a Fiji oval khava bowl (damaged), and specimen of bark used in preparing the drink

1-17-6 66 Rare Fiji bowl of pottery 67 Fiji khava bowl on feet, a very old well worn specimen, and specimen of the bark used in making the drink //- 68 Ditto, and large flat food dish Very fine cannibal feasting bowl, from the Solomon Islands, of blackened wood inlaid with white shell and pearl shell, human figure at one end, length 5 feet 6 inches, height 1 foot 8 inches, a very desirable museum specimen, in good condition Two Fiji clubs, one bound with sinnet, fine old specimens Two ditto, one with unusually finely carved grip Large bundle of Solomon arrows and 4 bows Twelve fine Solomon and New Guinea spears Large bundle of Samoan native cloth (tappa) 17/- 75 Quantity of Samoan fine woven mats A number of ornamental fans of woven pandanus leaf, mostly from Samoa Two fine large festive spears, from Fiji, each with 4 prongs 6/- 78 Ditto 3/-79 Ditto Two Solomon paddles, Yam digger, Fiji belt club, sperm whale tooth charm, and a Samoan fly whisk Small Solomon carved wood fish inlaid with shell, Fiji head-rest, belt club (Ula), tooth charm and fly whisk

4-82 Six Fiji boar tusk armlets

Two very fine Solomon head bands ornamented with cut shell discs and flying-fox teeth, a Fiji boar's tusk armlet, Samoan comb, etc.

2 7 84 Two fine Fiji necklets of shaped sperm whale teeth, and a tooth charm

- 2-10-0 85 New Britain collar ornamented with cut shell, fine specimen
 - 2/ 86 Santa Cruz Island shell frontlet (damaged), Samoan comb, small Fiji belt club, etc.
 - 70/2 87 Three small Solomon shell frontlets, shell armlets, Fiji tooth charm, New Guinea cut pink shell necklet, 2 Samoan combs, Fiji belt club (Ula), etc.
 - 58 Small Fiji belt club (Ula), Fiji human hair necklet and tooth charm, Solomon breast ornament of shell, and an armlet of trade beads
 - 4-89 Six Fiji armlets of boars' tusks
 - 2 5 5 90 Two Rug Island neck ornaments of cocoanut shell rings and 2 Solomon necklets of shell and cocoanut shell
 - 18-91 Three South Sea fish hooks, Solomon and Caroline Islands, fishing line of plaited human hair and a Fiji khava cup
 - Darge combs from Samoa and Solomon Islands, 2 Fiji tooth charms, Fiji ornament of plaited hair and beads, fine South Sea necklet of teeth and beads, New Guinea lime spatula of human bone and a New Guinea necklet of cut red shell discs
 - 1-1-5 93 New Britain shell armlet, Solomon comb and belt, Fiji sperm whale tooth charm, Samoa comb, New Guinea cut pink shell necklet and Cassoway feather head ornament and a boar tusk armlet from the Fiji Islands
 - 14-94 Fine New Britain clam shell armlet, Samoa comb and Solomon comb, Fiji whale tooth charm and length of New Britain shell money (Tabu)
 - 4-95 Six Fiji boar tusk armlets
 - New Britain necklet of human teeth, New Guinea and Solomon necklets of cut shell discs, length of New Britain nafra shell currency (Tabu) and a Fiji sperm whale tooth charm

- 78 Various necklets from New Guinea, Caroline and Solomon Islands, New Britain shell armlet and Fiji charm
 - 5/-98 Three Fiji khava cups, 2 ditto belt clubs (Ula), 2 small sharks' jaws, 2 Fiji tooth neck charms, plaited human hair fishing lines, basket, 2 small New Britain forehead ornaments, etc.

11-99 Large bundle of Samoan tappa

- 100 Quantity of fine woven mats from Samoa
- 101 Two fine Fiji festive spears, each with four prongs

102 Ditto

- 103 Six various South Sea dresses, chiefly Samoan and 2 fishing nets with shell sinkers
- 104 Small model cataraman from Samoa, complete with sail and outrigger
- 15-105 Fine Samoan club with raised ribs on blade
 - 106 Fiji "Lotus "-headed club of black wood, head carved
- 10/107 Solomon diamond-shaped club, Fiji pillow and a New Britain stone-headed club
- /b/108 Fine New Britain carved and painted double-ended dancing paddle or club
- 11-109 Short Solomon diamond-shaped club, New Britain ceremonial club and a yam digger
- /- 4-0 110 Old Fiji model temple (Buré) of fine plaited sinnet
 - 111 Fine Fiji pine-type club and a ditto throwing belt club (Ula)
 - 4-112 New Zealand (?) large-headed club, made from the roots of a tree, and a Fiji root club
 - 4-113 Ditto
- 17-0114 Three old Solomon clubs of polished wood, diamond-shaped blade

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| 12:6 69-115 | New Britain necklet of human teeth and a New Guinea carved wood figure |
| 7/- 116 | Small Fiji "Lotus"-headed club and a New Britain ceremonial club |
| 12-117 | Fine New Hebrides club, Fiji carved club and a ditto head rest |
| 5-5-0 118 1 yenton | Old gable end in the form of a carred head, taken from an old New Zealand whare |
| 1-19 0 119 | Fine large New Zealand stone adze-head and a ditto pick |
| 2 12 6 120 | Ditto |
| 1-2 0 121 | Ten New Zealand stone adze-headş, various sizes |
| 1-10 122 | Ten ditto |
| 12/- 123 | Five ditto |
| 8-124 | Several damaged specimens and fragments and a sinker |
| | Box containing a number of flint and quartzite implements and flakes, said to have come from New Zealand |
| 5-15 0 126 | Two fine Solomon fishing floats, inlaid with pearl shell, one with stone missing |
| 100 10 127 | Two ditto similar, one with 2 heads on top |
| Jan 8/ 128 | Large model canoe, inlaid with pearl shell from the Solomon Islands |
| fs 7 4-129 | Two Solomon clubs, one with handle inlaid with shell, and the other with diamond-shaped blade Woodlark Island food bowl and a Fiji flat dish |
| 1-0 2130 | Woodlark Island food bowl and a Fiji flat dish |
| -10 63 - 131 | Full-sized head of New Zealand chieftain, "King Tawhiao," composed of Kauri gum, showing tattooing (Moko) |
| 559-132 | Ditto of chief " Tamati-Waka-Nené" of the Ngapuki tribe |
| 3-13 | Ditto of chief "Tamati-Waka-Nené" of the Ngapuki tribe Ditto of woman "Mere-Mohan" |
| 9/- 134 | Two plaques of Kauri gum, figure of Maori woman and |

| 5/- 135 | Two ditto, similar |
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| 1/136 | Ditto |
| 5/-137 | Ditto |
| 3/-138 | Ditto |
| 4/139 | Ditto |
| 3/-140 | Three well-modelled Maori chief's heads with Moko, in Kauri gum |
| 5/- 141 | Three ditto |
| 5-142 | Ditto |
| 5 143 | Ditto |
| 3/- 144 | Ditto |
| //7/-145 | New Britain ceremonial club, Florida Island club, 2 New Hebrides and 2 Fiji clubs |
| 12/-146 | Solomon chief's steering club, ditto paddle, Fiji belt club, Samoan fly whisk and Fiji tooth charm |
| 4-147 | Two New Britain clubs, one with stone head, 2 New Hebrides clubs, one rare type, Fiji belt club and a New Britain ceremonial paddle club |
| 4-148 | Bundle of spears, Solomon and Australian |
| 3/149 | Large quantity of Solomon arrows and 4 bows |
| 4-150 | Two fine Fiji festive spears, 4 prongs |
| 4 151 | Ditto |
| 8 152 | Large bundle of Samoan "tappa" cloth |
| 11/ 153 | Number of fine Samoan grass mats |
| 18/154 | Large dried skin of a crocodile from the Solomon Islands, 11 feet 6 inches long |
| 13/155 | Six South Sea clubs various, including a fine ceremonial club from New Britain, 3 Fiji types, Solomon Islands, and a fine New Britain stone-headed club |

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| 60 - 156 | Very rare Solomon skull with re-constructed face of painted clay, o'd specimen in good condition |
| 1-00 157 | Two Fiji skulls, male and female, no lower jaws |
| / 158 | Two rare pieces of native Fiji pottery |
| 3/- \ 159 | Ditto |
| 160 | Ditto |
| /161 | Ditto, including one piece of older type |
| 14-1162 | Ditto |
| 163 | Ditto |
| 9 (164 | Piece of Fiji pottery (damaged), and 2 Fiji sperm whale tooth charms |
| 165 | Two old Fiji whale tooth charms and ditto spear head |
| - 8/166 | Three Fiji whale tooth charms |
| 8/167 | Three ditto |
| 7_168 | Six Fiji clubs, 3 varieties, one unusually slender |
| 7-169 | Two Fiji throwing clubs carried in belt (Ula), 2 Fiji straight clubs, Solomon club and a fine New Britain ceremonial dancing club |
| 9-170 | Six fine South Sea clubs, including type specimens from the Solomon Islands, Fiji, New Hebrides and New Britain |
| 9/-171 | Six ditto, Florida Island, Solomon, Fiji and New Britain |
| 17.172 | Three bones of the extinct New Zealand Moa |
| <i>[-173]</i> | Large bundle of Solomon spears |
| 9-174 | Quantity of Solomon arrows and 4 bows |
| 175 | Three old Fiji sperm whale tooth charms |
| 176 | Ditto |
| 1-3-0 177 | Six fine South Sea clubs, including a New Britain ceremonial club, 2 Fiji belt clubs and Solomon and New Hebrides clubs |

- 178 Six ditto, including one rare type of Florida Island paddleshaped club
- 179 Six ditto, including a fine Fiji pine type and a New Britain ceremonial club
 - 180 Bundle of South Sea spears, mostly Solomon Island
 - 181 Large lot of Solomon arrows, some with finely worked heads, and 2 long bows
 - 182 Six South Sea clubs, including 2 Fiji belt clubs, rare New Britain stone-headed club and 2 New Hebrides clubs
 - 183 Six ditto, very similar
 - 184 Six ditto, similar, slightly different types
 - 185 Persian composite bow and a number of Persian arrows
 - -186 Ditto
 - 187 Ditto
- 10/-188 Zulu cradle of skin ornamented with beadwork, pair of Hausa sandals and an Angola axe ornamented with beads
- Bundle of African and Malay spears, curious old European axe and a P.C. gun
- 190 Three turtle carapaces, various sizes
 - 191 Two large New Guinea gourds, pair of Springbok horns, and a small decorated lime gourd from New Guinea
- 4-192 Two turtle carapaces, one polished (small)

The following eight specimens were found with bodies of Indians buried previous to the Spanish regime, 20 miles from Medellin, Antioquia, Columbia.

- 193 Two pottery idols, one large and one small
- 194 Ditto
- 195 Large pottery vase with head on neck of vase
- 196 Two small pots or mortuary vessels, one with lizard in relief
- 4/197 One bowl, nicely ornamented

- 198 Four old South Sea clubs, including a Solomon diamondshaped club, Fiji gun-stock type, Trobriand sword club, and a New Britain ceremonial club
- 199 Fiji khava bowl and a specimen of the pepper-tree bark used in making the khava
- 7 200 Fiji head rest, small Australian boomerang and a diamond-shaped Solomon club
 - 201 Bundle of Solomon arrows and 2 bows
 - 202 Ten well carved old Solomon spears
- New Britain stone-headed club
 - New Ireland canoe ornament (bird), and a New Hebrides fishing float
 - 205 Fine Fiji pineapple club, rare type of New Hebrides club and a Trobriand blackwood sword club
 - 206 Ten old carved Solomon spears
 - 207 Fine large New Guinea adze in haft
 - 208 Fiji oval shaped oil dish, Samoan whisk and 2 New Guinea lime gourds
 - 209 Bundle of Solomon arrows and a long bow
 - 210 Jade axe head in wood holder, for use in a haft, which enables the head to be used either as an adze or axe, British New Guinea
 - 211 Ditto, slightly smaller
 - 212 Fiji "lotus-headed" club, Trobriand sword club and a Solomon sword club
 - 213 New Hebrides club formed like a cricket stump, Fiji belt club (Ula), and a Solomon chief's so-called "steering" club
 - 214 Solomon shield of grass work, Solomon sword-shaped club and a New Britain stone-headed club
 - 215 Fine small Solomon food bowl of blackened wood in the form of a frigate bird, inlaid with pearl shell

- 216 Three various gourds, New Guinea Toucan beak charm, small carved sago scoop and a Khava cup, cracked
- 217 New Hebrides festive spear with human bone barbs, Solomon sword-shaped club, and a Solomon chief's "steering club," small
- 218 Samoan war club with serrated blade
- 219 Ten well carved spears from the Solomon Islands
- 220 Fiji head rest, Samoan whisk and a Solomon diamondshaped club
- 221 New Britain ceremonial club, Solomon chief's "steering club," and a Solomon blackwood sword-shaped club
- 222 New Guinea Toucan beak charm, 2 cocoanut water carriers and 4 South Sea gourds for limes, etc.
- 223 Fine Solomon chief's "steering club," ditto sword-shaped club and a New Britain stone-headed club
- 224 Ten fine old Solomon spears, one from Bougainville Island
- 225 Solomon diamond-shaped club, fine Fiji gun-stock club and a New Guinea stone-headed club
- 226 Three fine Solomon clubs, sword-shaped type, diamond-shape, and a short heavy club with central rib
- 227 Bundle of Solomon arrows, many with finely worked heads, and a bow
- 228 Three bones of the extinct Moa of New Zealand
- 229 Pair of Mexican silver-plated spurs

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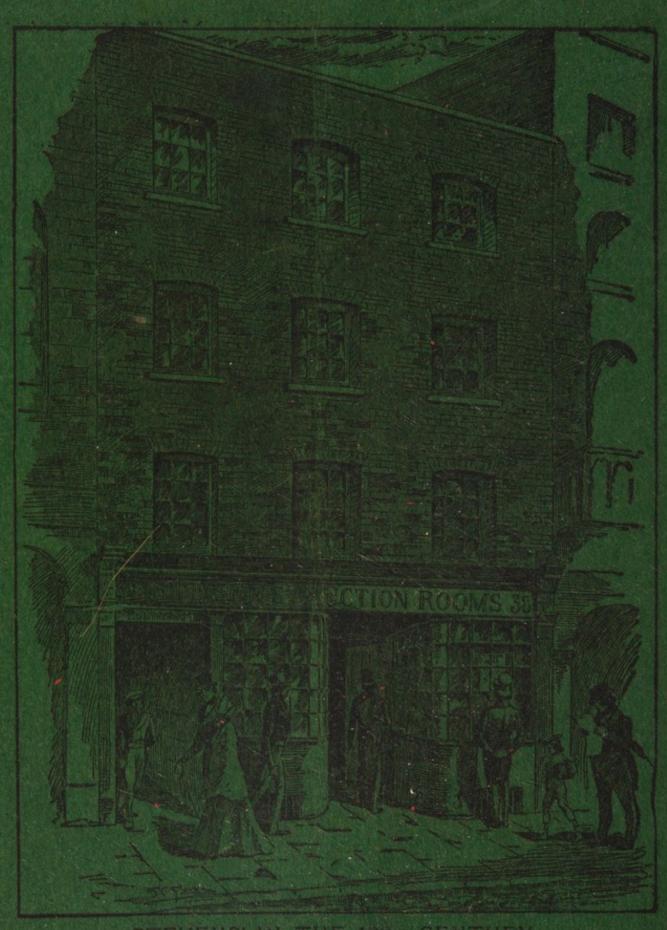
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