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Note

The Roman tile in the Fitzwilliam Museum which was discussed in C.A.S. Proceed. XXXIX (1940), p. 100, no. 9, shows, in good light, the following French words written in ink below the Latin inscription:

Des ruines du temple de Jupiter au joug du Grand Saint Bernard pr(ès) de Martigny. -Le-13 Juillet 1793.

It appears from this evidence that the tile in question was taken from the well-known remains of the temple of Jupiter Poeninus near the Great St Bernard in Switzerland 150 years ago. It probably is one of two stamped tiles mentioned in *Corpus Inscr. Lat.* v, p. 978, no. 399a and b, which were not accessible to the editor, Professor Th. Mommsen, but only known to him from an earlier publication. For the tiles inscribed Public. from the temple of Jupiter Poeninus, cf. now Ernst Howald-Ernst Meyer, 'Die roemische Schweiz. Texte und Inschriften mit übersetzung' (1940), p. 337.

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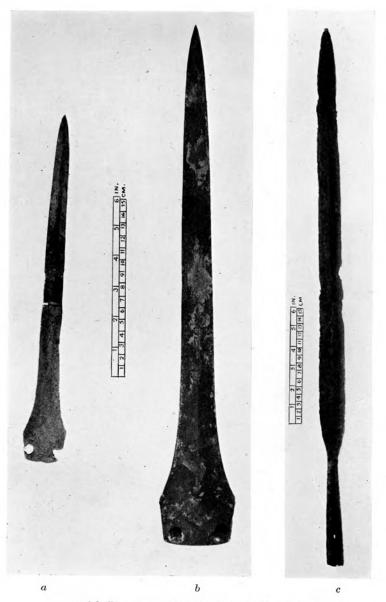
Recent Accessions to the Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology

THE Early Bronze Age flint dagger (Museum No. 44. 2) shown in Pl. XXIV b was found by Mr Gunston of Isleham at a site in the parish described as Common Gate, Lammas Ground. There are two notches on either side of the base of the blade for the lashings of the haft. The blade has a pale grey patina. It was given to the Museum by the Society:

Three bronze daggers (two shown on Pl. XXV) were dredged from the Little Ouse near Wilton Bridge. The largest, Museum No. 46. 412, was presented to the Museum by Mr Louis Clarke, and had been found in 1938 between Wilton Bridge and Wilton Ferry. The second, No. 46. 413, was found $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below Wilton Bridge and presented to the Museum by the Ouse Catchment Board. The third, No. 47 D. 1,



a, Socketed axe, from hoard, Isleham Fenb, Flint dagger, from Isleham



a and b, Bronze daggers found near Wilton Bridge c, Late Saxon spear-head, Stoke Ferry

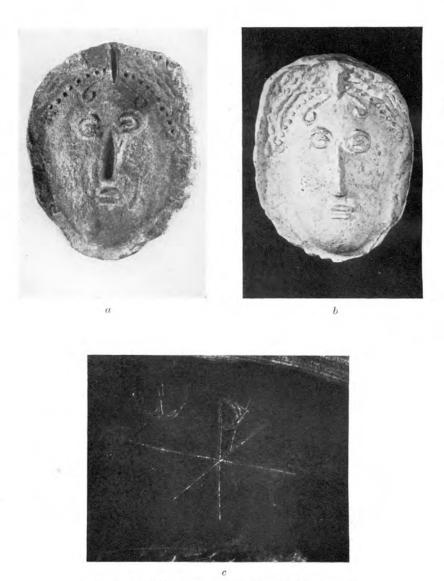
PLATE XXVI





Romano-British pewter dish, Old Welney river

PLATE XXVII



a, Roman pottery mould. b, Plaster cast from mould. c, Graffito on pewter dish

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found on the second bend of the stream above Wilton Bridge, has been lent to the Museum by the Ouse Catchment Board. Similar finds of weapons of the Bronze Age have been recorded from the Cam near Horningsea and the Wissey near Stoke Ferry. It is not improbable that they indicate that fighting took place in these localities.

A small Late Bronze Age hoard, Museum No. 47. 66 A/D, consisting of two socketed axes (Pl. XXIV a), one of them fluted, and two pieces of founders' metal, was given by Major Gordon Fowler. It was found by a ploughman on a field that slopes down into Isleham Fen, half-way between Fordham Moor Farm and the Temple earthwork, i.e., just on the east side of the parish boundary that marks the extinct course of the River Snail. More to the west and close to the east side of Fordham Moor Farm there appear to be two ploughed-down barrows. Two of the axes from the Wesley Collection came from the same site.

Pl. XXVII shows a Roman pottery mould, Museum No. 47. 150, with a plaster cast from it, from the Temple, Isleham, where traces of tesselated pavements and other Roman work have been observed. The only comparable mould is one from Corbridge figured by Curle in 'Newstead, a Roman Frontier Post and its People'. The present specimen is of a simpler character.

A shallow pewter dish (Pl. XXVI) of late Roman period with the CHI RHO scratched on the bottom was found in the bed of the Old Welney river, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile east of Welney Church, by Mr Clayton of Welney, who has lent it to the Fitzwilliam Museum. We have frequently drawn attention in previous Proceedings to the discovery of plate dating from the close of the Roman period. The subject has recently been much in evidence owing to the great find of silver of this period made at West Row, near Mildenhall. The dish which we now figure is remarkably well preserved, its condition resembling that of the jug of the same period found in the old river course at Quaveney and published in our Proceedings.

Plate XXV c shows a late Saxon iron spear-head (No. 47.151) from the R. Wissey at Stoke Ferry, given by the Ouse Catchment Board. Spears of this type remained in use as late as the 11th century.

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