

APPENDIX IV

Harts Hospital (WO HH 91) Phase III (1995) Works

Small Finds Assessment (Bone, Copper Alloy, Lead and Ironwork)

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Introduction

This assemblage consists of twenty nine small finded items, some complete, with others in a fragmentary state and are generally dated to the post-medieval period. The objects are grouped by material and consist of bone, copper alloy (including a number of coins), lead and ironwork.

Bone

There is one handle from (2298), which is perforated for the whole of its length with a decorated plug inserted into the end. This handle is probably related to an object with a whittle tang and is dated by phase to the 18th century.

Copper Alloy

Of the nine items in this material one is a jetton and three are coins. The jetton and coins all come from different contexts and have a total date range of between c. 1580 and 1702. Four of the remaining objects are related to dress and include a buckle, pin and a button. Three of the items come from separate contexts but are dated by phase to the 18th century, with the remaining object, the buckle, being unstratified. The last object is a fragment of skillet? rim or similar cooking vessel from (2353) and is dated by phase to the 16th century.

Lead

The one object of this material is a conical weight (5.5 oz) from (2354). It has iron loop attached at the point for suspension. The cone is decorated with five vertical ribs with round bosses between. The context from which this object comes is dated to the late 16th century.

Ironwork

Thirteen of the eighteen iron objects are related to wooden artefacts or structures. A large staple and a bolt are both unstratified with five objects, including a pintle, coming from (2253), a late sixteenth century context. Another pintle from (2283), along with a nail, is dated to the 17th century. There are two? blades, one good example from a late sixteenth century context (2353).

Conclusion

Although the small finds do not constitute a particularly large group, the phase date range is from between the late sixteenth to the early nineteenth centuries. The amount of late sixteenth/early seventeenth century door/window related furniture may suggest demolition or refurbishment of a structure during this period. Some objects may pre-date these date ranges and justify a minimum amount of further consideration.

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<u>SFNo.</u>	<u>Cont.</u>	<u>Object</u>	<u>Description (dims in cm.)</u>
Bone			
206	2298	Handle	Frag, end plug (see Bib. 1,16C-17C) (18C)
Copper Alloy			
222	+T30	Loop	Buckle, 2.7 dia.
216	2010	Loop	Dress, broken, 1.0 Dia.(L18C)
224	2353	Skillet?	Frag, rim (L16C)
211	2282	Pin	L 5.0 (18C, c.1729)
200	2414	Button	1.8 dia.(18C+)
217	2030	Coin	William III 1689-1702 (L18C-E19C)
202	2176	Coin	Charles II 1660-85 (18C)
203	2198	Coin	Charles II 1660-85 (18C)
201	2380	Jetton	c 1580-1610 (18C, 1770+)
Lead			
205	2354	Weight	Conical, 3.5 dia., 157 g. (5.5 oz.), iron loop (L16C)
Ironwork			
209	+T30	Bolt	Domed head, bent
223	+T27	Staple	Large , 'U'shaped
214	2217	Point	Frag, nail/tool? (L18C-E19C)
215	2217	Nail	Frag (L18C-E19C)
220	2253	Nail	Large, stepped head (L16C)
225	2253	Pintle	(L16C)
226	2253	Nail	Frag, domed head (L16C)
227	2253	Point	Tool?(L16C)
228	2253	Concretion	2 frags (L16C)
213	2274	Nail	Frag
210	2282	Nail	(18C)
218	2334	Nail	Frag (L15C-1700)
219	2334	Blade?	Frag, curved (L15C-1700)
204	2353	Blade	Frag, knife (L16C)
207	2372	Strap	Frag, perforated (M16C)
208	2380	Nail	Frag (18C-1700+)
212	2283	Pintle	(17C)
229	2283	Nail	(17C)