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My dear General.

Griffiths knows nothing
definitely about the glafs
at Tregaskis' - He says
"I do not know about these
glafs vases at all; all I
know is that Newberry got a
great collection of XVIII dynasty
fragments that were being
turned up by the looters on
the site of Amenhotep III's
palace. Very likely he got
plenty of first rate things



"being in the thick
" of the business and on good
" terms with all "

I don't know that there is
much else to be done - I
can if you like go and look
at the glasses after the
holidays -

Hope the fog did you
no harm

Yours truly
Charles H. Read

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From J. & M. L. TREGASKIS,

Antiquarian Booksellers,

"THE CAXTON HEAD," 232 HIGH HOLBORN, LONDON, W.C.

2 Glass Mug and Bowl, rich deep amber colour, found in the ancient necropolis of Eshmunên (the site of the Greek Hermopolis Magna), probably made in the Ptolemaic period, circa 200 B.C., mug $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. high; bowl $2\frac{3}{4}$ in. high, $4\frac{3}{8}$ in. dia. Both perfect, £45

No more perfect specimen of ancient glass is known to exist, the only flaw in its exquisite loveliness being a tiny crack in the base of the mug, the bowl being absolutely without fault. The two pieces are evidently intended to go together as they were found, the base of the mug fitting exactly into and over the depression in the bowl and the raised point in the centre. To describe the shape or beauty of this wonderful find is impossible.

Found at Eshmunên

53 Transparent Glass Vase, bowl shaped body on circular base with long wide neck and two handles $3\frac{1}{4}$ in. high, 20 guineas

THIS IS THE EARLIEST KNOWN EFFORT AT MAKING TRANSPARENT GLASS AND ITS IMPORTANCE CANNOT BE OVER-RATED. A piece is missing from the rim, but the rest of the vase is in remarkable preservation.

Found in the ruins of the palace of Amen-hotep III Thebes.

Both obtained from Percy E. Newberry Esq