

Dorchester. July 28. 1878.

Ans'd.
July 29/98.

My dear Sir,

(L2160)

This morning on taking a hasty glance through your noble Vol. iv. I was extremely glad to find your remarks (p. 166.) about holes in urns. I was all the more delighted because I am at this moment labouring at a catalogue of our Roman pottery, among which is a jar oddly holed. I send close a very slight sketch, wotd, hoping that it may interest you.

Again in p. 167 you describe a globular British urn and quote two specimens like it. Perhaps you may be glad to know that there are several of this same stamp (a Dorset fashion Thurman says, I think) in the County Museum.

Two are from Bagley. I enclose in
a sketch of one of them & a number
of the other showing repair (?) holes.
Two others are from Whitechurch
& two more from Poteswell, all
recorded in Norman's Celtic In-
scrips. One of the Whitechurch
ones is of compact ware of a
reddish colour, rare in British
work, as far as my small experi-
ence goes. The other from that
place has the same character-
istics but not in such marked
degree.

I am
yours truly
H. J. Moule.

Lt. Genl. Pitt Rivers. R.A. F.S.A.
to to to.

Roman black jar, 11 in. high
 Dorchester.
 Sent by Mr. Hogg to the County Museum.
 * This hole, rather larger than any
 of the others, is $\frac{7}{8}$ in. in diameter.
 Opposite to it is a corresponding
 hole, but only $\frac{1}{2}$ in. in diameter.
 There is a fifth hole, placed
 quite irregularly,
 $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. below the rim.
 This one, at all events, can
 have had nothing to do with
 suspension.



5x5 in.

British urn. Bagber.
 Given by Mr. Mansel Pleydell
 to the Dorset County Museum,
 together with another $8\frac{1}{2}$ in.
 high, with more fittings round
 the neck, but without the
 two rows of indentations -
 This larger one has been
 cracked & has two pairs
 of holes, which look cer-
 tainly as if made with a
 wire to splicing.



N.B. This urn has 4 bones
 pierced with exceedingly
 small holes, hardly
 more than $\frac{1}{16}$ in. in bore.

