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My dear Sir.

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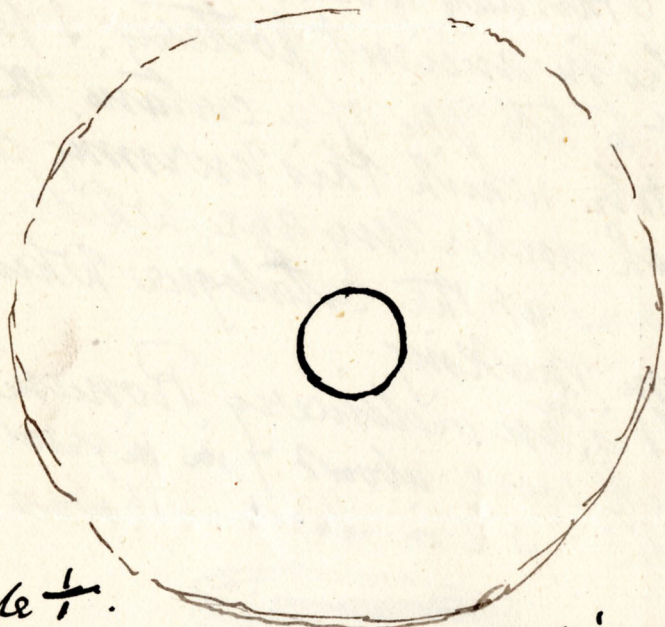
When I was writing to you the other day about the small holes in ancient pottery, I forgot to tell you of a certain example which this morning came afresh under my eye, while working at the catalogue which I am making.

It is <sup>an</sup> ordinary Roman black ware about 7 in in greatest width & 3 1/2 in deep. It was



found in Broadway cutting

on the Weymouth Railway.  
In the bottom, near, but not  
in, the middle, is a carefully  
made half inch hole, so -



Scale  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

My own idea is that this may  
have been simply for drainage,  
so as to make the bowl available  
as a flower-pot.

Still I think that you ought  
to be informed of this feature,  
which possibly had some dif-  
ferent use.

I am yours truly

H. J. Moule.

Lt. Genl. Pitt Rivers.  
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