


unfortunately could not  
be opened, a small  
Norman-British pot,   
and two glass phials,  
<sup>boldly</sup> embossed, & very  
iridescent, which a  
Mr. Butler of Braymont  
obtained from the Aeyel  
<sup>Iron</sup> Site. He calls them  
the latter 'Venetian': but  
I think they are  
much older.

F.S.H.

4. Meadows  
Bridges  
Ch. Ch.  
Mar 25.



Dear General Pitt-Rivers  
I enclose a list  
of objects that were  
found in the small  
pits on the site of the  
Aeyel Iron, 10 years ago.  
They were all at once  
styled 'medieval', as it  
was not believed that  
there had been any British  
occupation of what is  
now called a spot

very ~~easy~~ ~~of~~ defense-  
ble, on account of  
the rivers that almost  
surround it. I think  
I mentioned that Celtic  
remains, & Romano-  
British pottery &c. have  
been frequently met  
with 8 ft. & even  
15 feet below the ground.

I should so much  
like to have a short  
paper on the subject  
for the first number of  
'the Archaeological Review'.  
It might lead to further  
research. When digging  
for water for new

buildings. Three skeletons  
are said to have been  
met with in the  
newly made of the Town  
- both in a sitting po-  
- sition. Your great  
experience would value  
any thing you say  
on the subject of great  
value.

Yrs very truly  
J. Park Harrison  
P.S. Since writing out  
the accompanying  
list, I have seen  
in a cabinet, which



Required,

Oxford.

Probable date of pits on site  
of Angel Inn, Oxford:

— Discovered 10 years  
ago.

List of objects found in  
them; or on site.

1. Several stone spindle-  
whorls; some with engraved  
circles lines.

2. A gold ring, of thin  
twisted wire: [found in  
one of the pits.]

3. Coarse potsherd, <sup>containing</sup> ~~with~~  
powdered shells.

4. a bone shuttle, or  
large needle.

5. Two bone thread-  
dividers.

6. Twelve small crucibles,  
like ~~some~~ <sup>three</sup> ~~of~~ of Romano-



- British date, from Lincoln  
and Cannm St.  
in British Museum

7. One so large; with  
thicker walls.

8. a small lump of copper  
slag.

Some of  
The pits are said to  
have been 9 feet wide  
& about 6 feet deep.

They were filled with  
dark earth.

When discovered,  
it was not thought that  
there was anything  
to show that ~~the~~ British  
tribes ever occupied  
this site of Oxford.

There are now 32 finds  
of British remains.

W.H.

Mr. H. Hurst, a local  
antiquary, noticed that  
one of the crucibles stood  
in a small recess in the  
side of one of the pits. And  
that there was a sort of base  
or tunnel  
in another.

The only other object from  
the site, that I have heard  
of, is a carved slab of  
stone something like a  
coffin lid, but not copied.  
It has two iron stakes on it  
with birds &c. as in 'Scam'  
M.S.S. J.S.H.