

were enclosed is whitish &
unglazed, of good classical
forms judging by the portions of
the work reviewed.
Please return the letters.

Jorchester. Christmas Eve. 1891.

(L800)

Dear Sir,

M^r Pimsey, manager of the
Norden clay-pits, sends today a
very disappointing letter, which
I enclose.

His view of the question is
quite different from that of
M^r Stibwell. I am anxiously
awaiting from here an answer
to my enquiry as to the nature
of the evidence which led here
to the opinion that there was an
ancient pottery manufactory at
Norden. I think that what Mr
Says in the letter, of which you
have a copy, gives a bit or two of

circumstantial evidence of the existence of such an establishment. But it is not sufficient of itself. Our point seems to me to be the finding of the perforated bricks or tiles - almost certainly meant for drying chambers.

Another is the great quantity of ware found. If I have rightly understood Mr. Stilwell & Mr. Enstons Bunkers, when on various occasions they have mentioned Worden to me or they to me, the quantity found is more than can be well accounted for by anything except the existence of a pottery on the spot.

The perforated bricks - at least our fragment - are doubly pierced. They have several large holes about 4 in. in diam. - penetrating not

quite through, the remainder of the thickness of the brick being pierced with many small holes. Thus



I don't think that this mark of brick or tile was used for a hypococaust, was it?

I am
yours truly
T. S. Fells
H. J. Noble

Lt. Genl. Pitt Rivers. R.R.

P.S. I will write as soon as I hear from Mr. Stilwell.
P.P.S. I open this in order to forward for your reading a letter this instant comes from Mr. Stilwell.
The

shipped for exportation.

Mr. Pinner, opened some ground on the South side of the Road & there are traces on that side of Roman habitation. I found a piece of a lovely Cretaceous ball, and a few pieces of Samian ware, but no rough hammers, I think it was proved that there was a Roman settlement of Pottery on that side of the Road, and one of

LEESON,
WAREHAM.

On that spot, they said they had found "Scores" of round flint stones, which they had broken up for various purposes. There were also quantities of fragments & they said that they formerly

found many large
earthen jars whole
& what they called
"flower pots & cans"
which I found were
leaky, the corners of the
jars. They had been
preserved & were
almost always broken
up on the spot. I went

went the field carefully
and succeeded in finding
the remains of a kiln,
and since then the
foundation of another
has been unearthed
there are also traces
of two roads one of
them leading directly
to "Loych" where the
Pottery was probably

1851

LEESON,
WAREHAM

Dec. 23.

Crack as my friend thought
 and I took an early
 opportunity of going to
 Coze to hunt up the
 field in which it had
 been seen. I found it
 on the North west of
 the castle in the field
 occupied by Mr. Pinney's
 clay works. I found the
 workmen had long known
 that there were traces
 of ancient pottery works

The words from the village and is that
 were taken from the village and is that

Dear Mr. Mordaunt
 I send you a Fragment
 of the Pipe clay Pottery
 I have one or two others
 of elegant form
 I conclude these
 fragments be classed as
 "Primitive Pottery"
 for as I am concerned

the discovery of the
Roman Pottery Piles
was in this way, but
withouts my notes I
cannot give you the
exact dates. I think
it was about 8 years
ago that a friend who
was speaking about
Darwins work on South

Islands, told me that
he had remarked near
the Coife road, a layer
of pottery shreds in a
field, with a depth of
earth above them which
he thought proved their
Antiquity to be very great.
I was interested in
the ancient pottery
altho not in the earth
work

Evidence enough to indicate
a Pottery site, or that Pottery
was ever made thereabouts

Y^r truly

Nich. E. Pinner

H. J. Moore Esq.

Brighthelm

23rd Dec. 1891

WEST BUCKNOWLE,
CORFE CASTLE

1891

Dear Sir,

I have been from home
and only returned last night -
hence delay in replying to your
letter of the 19th inst. -

The Warden Estate belong-
ing to the Earl of Eldon and all the
artifacts were found at the
Clay Pits, a few years ago, was
handed over to his Lordship, -

The ware so was not found
continuously, at one spot, but
in several places, I can hardly
therefore imagine that would be