

The comb is of interest as being similar to a less developed specimen, equipped with only one scraping edge, found in one of the Black Prince's manors at The Mount, Princes Risborough, Buckinghamshire, (*Records of Bucks.*, Vol. XVI, Part 3 (1957-58), 161 and Fig. 12.5) and there dated to the middle of the 14th century. A number of examples have been found in 13th century associations on the Continent, references to which are given in the above mentioned publication.

The Falcon's Hall specimen may date from the 14th/15th century. There was no closely associated pottery.

G. M. KNOCKER.

P.S. Since this note was written Mr. Basil Brown has reported (Dec. 1962) the finding at the same spot of a serrated central plate from another curry-comb.

Sherds of a Belgic Vessel from Westhall. Two sherds were found in September 1959, near the Mill House at Westhall (TM/40928161), and were identified by Mr. K. S. Painter of the British Museum as fragments from a lathe-turned jar or tazza of shale, of Iron Age 'C' date (50 B.C.-A.D. 50).

R. R. Clarke¹ in his account of the Westhall hoard of horse-trappings (TM/396804 approx.), notes the Belgic influence in the disc-brooch and in the enamel work, which he considers to date from the second third of the 1st century A.D., the 'degenerate Celticism' of its ornament showing Roman influence. It seems probable therefore that these sherds are associated with the same occupation and may be imports from the more southerly Belgic area, although in a later appraisal² Clarke reviews the evidence for the presence of Belgic overlords in Breckland, not a far cry from Westhall. The spread of Belgic settlers into East Suffolk is now known to extend further than was formerly suspected; there was a large farmstead at Burgh near Woodbridge and pottery of Belgic and Claudian date has recently been found at Chediston.

The two sherds have a common fracture and form part of the wall, just extending to the return, of a jar or similar vessel (Fig. 30). The upper edge of the larger sherd is grooved to take the tongue of the next section. The fragments are too small to determine whether the very slight and thin return represents the remains of a base, or whether the upper section of a tazza is in question. For the purpose of illustration, therefore, this question is left undetermined.

¹ R. R. Clarke, 'The Iron Age in Norfolk and Suffolk', *Arch. Journ.*, xcvi (1940), pp. 68-71.

² R. R. Clarke, 'East Anglia', *Ancient Peoples and Places* (1960), p. 108.

An interesting point as to the material used is raised by Mr. Kenneth Marshall who submitted a fragment to various tests and reports as follows:—

Macroscopic—Dark grey/black, medium soft surface takes a dull greasy lustre. No visible grain.

Microscopic x 20—apparently composed of disintegrated plant debris with fragments of leaf cuticles.

Burns freely in Bunsen flame, leaving only small amount of black ash. Readily liquefied by heat in test tube, high volatile content.

It is suggested that the material is one of the sapropelic coals, probably CANNEL rather than BOGHEAD or TORBANITE.

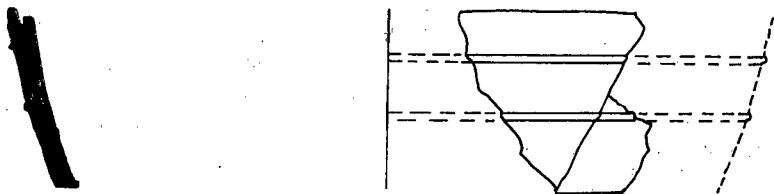


FIG. 30.—Sherds of a Belgic Vessel from Westhall (†).

In view of this report, an examination of other vessels of this type would seem to be indicated.

The sherds have also been examined by Miss E. J. Owles who arranged for the tests, and Mr. Norman Smedley, who prepared the drawing.

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REPORT FOR 1962

During the year 42 Ordinary, 11 Associate and 1 Life members were elected. Losses through death and resignation accounted for 13 Ordinary, 4 Associate and 1 Life member, resulting in a net increase of 36.

Membership at the year's end was:

Ordinary members	454
Associate members	134
Life members	45
Honorary members	6
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Membership continues to increase steadily: these figures show an increase of 123 in the last 10 years, and of 172 since 1949.

Excursions.—The following excursions were arranged:—

May	17	Ipswich, Museum and Christchurch Mansion.
June	30	Laxfield Church; Cratfield Church; Westhall Church; Little Glemham Hall.
July	26	East Bergholt Church and Village; Flatford Mill, etc.
Sept.	15	Brent Eleigh Church; Sudbury Churches, Gainsborough House, etc.

Lectures.—The following lectures were held, those at Ipswich in conjunction with the Ipswich Historical Society:—

Jan.	13	'Church Bells and Change Ringing' by Mr. L. E. Last, at Bury.
Feb.	22	'East Anglia and the Anarchy' by Mr. R. H. C. Davis, M.A., F.S.A. at Ipswich.
March	15	'The Gentry and Local Government in 16th century East Anglia' by Mr. A. Hassell Smith, at Ipswich.
April	12	'The Puritans in Elizabethan East Anglia' by Dr. P. Collinson, at Ipswich.
May	26	'The Stuarts' by Mr. L. J. Wickes, at Brooke House, Newton Green.

Finance.—Our cash balance at the end of 1962, at £421, was £150 less than at the end of the previous year. This is accounted for by an increase of £127 in the cost of *Proceedings*, a donation of £56 to the 'Basil Brown' fund and our contribution of 17 gns. towards the Stonham Aspal excavation. As these items together account for an additional £200 expenditure, and bearing in mind that Income Tax on Covenanted subscriptions, which should amount to about £80 for the year 1962, has yet to be recovered, our financial state may be regarded as satisfactory.

Our holding of 3% Funding Stock now shows a profit of £103 on cost (in 1961).

Our main source of income is of course subscriptions, and the biggest item of expenditure is our *Proceedings*. Over the last 6 years subscriptions have increased by 28%, and the cost of *Proceedings* by 100%.

	<i>Subscriptions</i>	<i>Proceedings</i>
	£	£
1957	359	293
1958	374	325
1959	388	343
1960	400	421
1961	440	487
1962	458	614

Basil Brown Fund.—For over twenty years, sixteen of them on the staff of the Ipswich Museum, Mr. Basil Brown has been engaged in the study of local history and archaeology. He has now had to retire from his Museum post, which is not pensionable. In order to make some tangible acknowledgement of the work he has done for Suffolk archaeology and enable him to continue it, an appeal was issued and the 'Basil Brown Fund' set up. Donations totalled £125. Payments to Mr. Brown, at the rate of £2.10.0 a month, were started in January 1962 and amount to £30, leaving a balance in hand of £95.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	<i>Receipts</i>	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank Balances 31 December 1961			571 1 1
Subscriptions:			
Ordinary Members		438 11 0	
Life Members		20 0 0	
			458 11 0
Dividends on Investments:			
Funding Loan		30 0 0	
Conversion Stock		45 10 0	
			75 10 0
Bank Interest:			
Lloyds Bank		17 13 11	
Trustee Savings Bank		22 3 4	
			39 17 3
Sales of Publications			17 18 9
Receipts from Excursions			16 17 0
Library: Sale of Surplus Books etc.			298 9 0
Sale of £1,300 3½% Conversion Stock (net)			757 1 0

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Assets

		£ s. d.
£1,000 3% Funding Stock 1966/68: Cost £802 . 17 . 6.		
Valuation 31/12/62		905 0 0
£1,000 6½% Hunts County Council Mortgage Loan ..		1,000 0 0
Lloyds Bank and Trustee Savings Bank		421 2 6

(Library and Furniture not valued)

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	<i>Payments</i>			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>Proceedings</i> : vol. xxix, pt. 1:									
Printing and Postage							614	14	3
General Printing and Stationery							14	4	8
Subscriptions to Kindred Societies							11	8	0
Lecture Expenses							14	17	5
Excursion Expenses							49	5	2
'Basil Brown' Fund:									
Donation				52	10	0			
Printing Circulars				3	4	6			
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Library:									
Insurance (2 years)				1	11	0			
Binding				8	5	0			
Honorarium to Librarian				10	0	0			
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Office Expenses, Postages, etc.:									
Honorary Editor				10	0	0			
Honorary General Secretary					10	0			
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Cheque Book					10	0			
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Purchase of Huntingdonshire County Council 6½% Mortgage Loan							1,000	0	0
Donation—Stonham Aspal Excavation							17	17	7
Bank Balances 31 December 1962							421	2	6
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I have audited the books and accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 1962, and have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of my knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of the audit. In my opinion and to the best of my information and according to the explanations given to me the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the Society's affairs as at 31 December 1962.

1 March 1963.

JOHN STORER, *Honorary Auditor.*

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INDEX OF EXCURSIONS 1949-1960

In the Centenary Issue of the *Proceedings* (vol. xxiv, part 3, 1948, pp. 154-160) there is a list of excursions 1848-1948 with an alphabetical index. Here is an index for the years 1949-1960; details of each excursion will be found in the annual report for the year concerned, which is printed in each issue of the *Proceedings*. It is proposed to print a similar index every ten years. An asterisk (*) denotes a first visit.

Acton	1951	Framlingham	1958	Santon Downham	1957
*Aldham	1955	Framsden	1954	*Sawston (Cambs)	1953
Alpheton	1956	Fressingfield	1951, 1954	Saxham	1953, 1960
Ampton	1950	*Gazeley	1951	*Scole (Norfolk)	1957
Assington	1958	Gedding	1954	*Shadingfield	1952
Aspall	1956	Grundisburgh	1949	*Shotley	1960
Bacton	1959	Hadleigh	1955	Sibton	1953, 1956
*Badlingham (Cambs)		Hartest	1956	*Somersham	1955
	1954	Hawkedon	1951	*Sotterley	1952
Bardwell	1959	Hawstead	1954	South Elmham	
Barsham	1960	Helmingham	1954		1949, 1957
Beccles	1960	Hengrave	1953, 1960	Southwold	1954
Bealings	1949	Heveningham	1956	*Spexhall	1949
Bedingfield	1956	Hitcham	1958	*Sproughton	1955
Bildeston	1958	*Holbrook	1960	Stanningfield	1954
*Birdbrook (Essex)	1956	Hoxne	1957	*Starston (Norfolk)	1954
*Blakenham	1955	Ickworth	1960	*Steeple Bumpstead	
Blythburgh	1950	Isleham (Cambs)	1954	(Essex)	1952
Botesdale	1959	Ixworth	1950, 1959	Stoke-by-Clare	1952
Boxted	1956	Ixworth Thorpe	1959	Stoke-by-Nayland	1952
Bradley	1953, 1955	Kedington	1952	Stowlangtoft	1958
Bramfield	1953	Kettlebaston	1956	Syleham	1957
Brandon	1957	Kersey	1955	*Tendring (Essex)	1949
Bruisyard	1959	*Kessingland	1950	Theberton	1956
Bungay	1951, 1957	Kirtling (Cambs)	1953	Thetford (Norfolk)	
Bures	1950	Langham	1958		1949, 1957
Burgh Castle	1959	Leiston	1955	Thornham	1957
*Burstall	1955	Lindsey	1955	*Thorington (Essex)	1949
Butley	1950, 1955	Long Melford	1951	Thurlow	1955
Capel St. Mary	1949	Maplestead (Essex)		Thurston	1951
Castle Hedingham			1950	*Troston	1950
(Essex)	1950	Mendham	1951	Walberswick	1950
Cavendish	1956	Mettingham	1957	*Walpole	1953
Chelsworth	1958	*Middleton	1953	Wattisfield	1958
Chevington	1953	Mildenhall	1954	*Welnetham	1952
Chilton	1958	Nayland	1950	Wenham	1949
Chippenham		Nettlestead	1955	Wenhaston	1957
(Cambs)	1954	Newton	1958	*Weston	1952, 1960
Clare	1952, 1957	Orford	1949, 1955	West Stow	1952
Cotton	1959	Pakenham	1959	*Weybread	1951
Cowlinge	1953	Parham	1956	Wickhambrook	
*Dalham	1951	Pentlow (Essex)	1956		1955, 1957
Debenham	1956	Preston	1956	Wingfield	1957
Dennington	1959	Rattlesden	1954	Wissett	1949
Denston	1957	Redgrave	1959	Wissington	1950
Dunwich	1956	Rickinghall	1959	Woodbridge	
*Ellough	1952	Risby	1952, 1960		1949, 1950, 1957
Ely (Cambs)	1960	Rumburgh	1949	Wordwell	1952
Erwarton	1960	Rushbrook	1950	Worlingworth	1956
Euston	1958	*Saffron Walden		Yaxley	1956
Eye	1956	(Essex)	1959	Yoxford	1958