

On opposite side of hole, and somewhat nearer broad end of trap, is an eighth hole; in which is peg with enlarged head securing a small flat 'gate' of thin wood, which swings across aperture. In free end of gate, on inner side, are two small notches, one perhaps a hole partly broken away. This edge of gate, facing aperture and long end of trap, is worn or gnawed; other edge intact and thin. Method of working not clear; species of guillotine (?). Good condition. For other examples, see N. III. x. 01, Pl. XXVII; 08. Length 1' 3", gr. width 3 1/4", thickness 5/8". Pl. XVI.

N. III. x. 010. **Wooden spatula**, broad and roughly cut, with thin stem broken off short. Hole through centre of blade. Length 7 1/8", gr. width of blade 2 1/16", diam. of handle 3/8". Pl. XXVII.

N. III. x. 011. **Fr. of gourd**. Neck complete and drilled on opposite sides for suspension, body broken away. 7 1/2" x 3 1/2", diam. of mouth 1 3/8".

N. III. x. 012. **Fr. of goat's-hair fabric**; very coarse; woof pressed closely together and warp almost invisible; as *Ser.* iv. Pl. XLVIII, M. I. xx-xxi. 006. Dark brown and buff, mixed. Dirty. Gr. M. c. 1' 4".

N. III. x. 013. **Fabric fr.**; fine brick-red woollen cloth; loose plain weave. 5 1/4" x 1 1/4".

N. III. x. 014-17. **Four turned wooden balusters**, made of alternate ball and ring mouldings (sixteen to thirteen of latter), with tenon at either end. As *Ser.* iv. Pl. XXXIII, L.B.V. 008, but longer and thinner. 015 broken one end; otherwise good condition. Length without tenons 2' 8 1/2"-2' 9 1/2", diam. c. 3", length of tenons c. 2". Pl. XV.

OBJECTS FOUND ON ERODED GROUND BETWEEN RUINS N. III AND N. XXIV

N. xxiv-III. 01. **Bronze disc** with domed centre (like a cymbal) and broken shank on rev. Corroded in patches. Diam. 5/8".

N. xxiv-III. 02. **Beads**; three glass, green and blue; one carnelian and one shell. Gr. M. 1 5/8".

N. xxiv-III. 03. **Brown pebble**. 5/8" x 3/8" x 1/4".

OBJECTS RECOVERED FROM RUINED DWELLING N. XIII

N. XIII. 01. **Wooden agricultural fork** or 'prong', with four prongs cut wedge shape at half end, where they are brought together and riveted through with wooden pin. Outer ends spread by reason of wedge shape at haft, and the spread is further increased by selection of curved pieces for outside. The two centre prongs have notches on their outer surfaces near base, and have evidently been tied together independently of the binding that must have been round all four. Well made of natural branches sharpened and shaped where needed. Very hard. Length 18 1/2", spread of prongs 10", haft end tapers to 2". See *Ser.* i. p. 217, Figs. 47, 52.

N. XIII. 02. **Fr. of wooden tray**, roughly made with slightly raised border on three sides ornamented with irregular lozenge pattern formed by simple knife incisions in two directions. An old break right across panel has been mended by insertion of two loose tenons; pegged through with dowels. A square hole is cut through near each of two corners where borders meet. At opposite long edge are mortises; remains of tenon in one, similar to those of the repaired break, show that another piece joined on here. See *Ser.* i. p. 217, Figs. 47, 52. Rev. roughly levelled with adze, and end edges chamfered. 24 3/4" x 11". Warped and split. Pl. XV.

OBJECTS EXCAVATED IN RUINS N. XXVI

N. xxvi. 01. **Four-legged wooden cupboard**, as *Ser.* iv. Pl. XLVII, L.B. III. 1, but with no decorative relief carving. Sides, bottom, and top (each of two plain panels), are complete, though the wooden dowels have fallen out

N. III. x. 018. **Wooden fr.**, from piece of furniture (?). Cut in one piece. Below (?), circular disc with bevelled edge; above, oblong block with slightly arched top and rounded ends, standing across middle of disc. Oblong hole, 1 1/2" x 3/4", cut through middle of block (sideways). Surface comparatively smooth on under-side. Fair condition. H. of whole c. 5"; diam. of disc 7 3/4" to 6", thickness of disc 1 7/8"; length of block 6", width 2 1/2", gr. h. 3". Pl. XV.

N. III. xi. 01-2. **Two wooden chair (?) legs**. Rectang. in section in upper third, with rounded angles below, and foot curved slightly outward. Thick tenon at upper end. Split and dry. Cf. N. III. x. 03-4, Pl. XVI. Length 12 1/4", thickness at waist 1 5/8" x 2".

N. III. xi. 03. **Wooden tablet (?)**; uninscr. Wedge-shaped, roughly like wedge under-tablet; but tapering end cut to sharp point, and sq.-notch (as for string) cut into each side 2 1/4" from this point. Long sides rudely bevelled. Into thickness of broad end, again, a deep groove is cut, running the whole width of tablet. No trace of writing. Wood hard and clean. 9 9/16" x (max.) 1 5/8" x c. 3/8".

N. III. xii. 01. **Rectang. wooden capital** for pillar. Block, roughly sq., bevelled at half height to form truncated pyramid. In the smaller rectangular face is circular socket, roughly hollowed for shaft or tenon. Face below has surface sunk 3/4" to receive lintel or rail, reserving raised portions 1" wide on two opposite edges. Roughly cut; wood much weathered and split. Cf. similar object in miniature, *Ast.* iii. 4. 024 and *K.K.I.* i. 05. H. of whole c. 4 1/2", diam. of socket 3", depth 2 1/2".

which held the two last to frame. Front panels show door aperture, 8" by 10", 7" from right side and 5" from top. Irregular hole charred through top, which was roughly smoothed and painted black (?).