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| <p>9:8. Three joined potsherds from a large vessel of rather thin, yellowish ware, red inside, and decorated with a coarse pattern incised with a double- or triple-pointed instrument. Pl. 18:8.</p> <p>9:9. Potsherd, probably from the same vessel as —:8.</p> <p>9:10. Potsherd from a largish vessel, decorated with a hatched border incised with a sharp instrument and surrounded by two rows of small impressions. The ware is yellowish on the outside and red on the inside. Pl. 18:9.</p> | <p>9:11-14. Four small potsherds of light-grey and blue-grey ware.</p> <p>9:15. Small Chinese copper coin without legend, apparently a degenerated Wu-ch'u. Diam. 17 mm. Pl. 18:6.</p> <p>9:16. Triangular iron arrow-head, very rusty. L. 63 mm.</p> <p>9:17. Triangular iron arrow-head, more slender than —:16. L. 71 mm. Pl. 18:3.</p> |
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## H. BURIAL PLACE 7.

From the ruined watch-tower we turned northwards again. A march of 11 km., as the crow flies took us to the small cemetery No. 7 situated to the west of The Small River among sand dunes here and there interrupted by a few mounds with dead tamarisks. From here Burial place 5 lies 7.5 km. to the north-east, and Burial place 6 is situated only 1800 m. to the north-east. Cf. Fig. 18.

It contains the remains of three, probably four graves lying on and around a flat hillock with dead tamarisks.

### *Grave 7 A.*

The best preserved grave was 7 A, though already in a much disturbed condition when we arrived. The coffin was made of half a hollowed-out trunk, Fig. 19. One end was closed but had an opening at the centre, which had been shut by means of a semicircular board placed inside the wall. The other end was open and ended in a blunt point; it had two deeply sawn grooves to receive the ends of a semicircular board. These two end-boards are seen at the lower part of Fig. 19. Two long boards had formed the lid, which had apparently been lined with thin felt. On top of the lid there had been a layer of brushwood held together by twisted ropes of

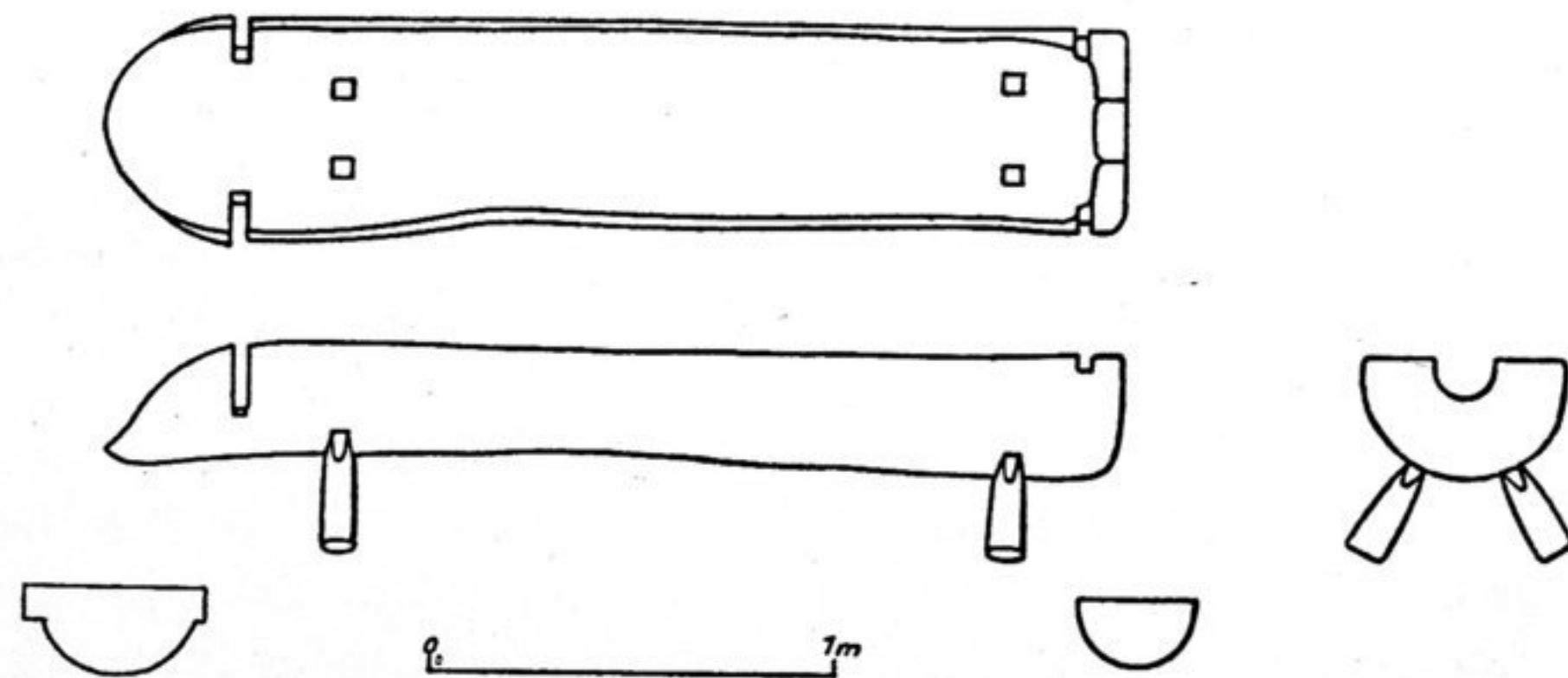


Fig. 19. Coffin of Grave 7 A.