

XXXV, L. C. 03). The colours are well preserved and give an impression of refined beauty.

Outside the head end of the coffin the following articles were placed: the nicely turned wooden drinking cup, painted in red and black Pl. 27:6, a wooden food-tray on four low legs, the skeleton of a sheep, and some Ephedra twigs.

The small cup is of the same type as STEIN'S Ying. III. 3.07 from Ying-p'an (Stein 1928, Pl. CX), though more elegant. There are other features, too, recalling another of the Ying-p'an graves (Ying. III. 4) for instance the head-gear.

The food-tray is to be compared with those found in Mass-grave 1. It is made of two boards. On the bottom there is a carved mark, and both sides show traces of having been used as cutting boards.

Both the type of coffin and the rich silk garments of the deceased lady place this grave in the same class as Grave 6 A. Whether these two ladies belonged to the same race or not is, however, another question, but they had no doubt the same social standing.

As to the age of this grave we are hardly able to date it more precisely than within the known limits of the period of Chinese settlements in this region. Most likely this lady lived during one of the three first centuries of our era.

#### LIST OF ANTIQUITIES FROM GRAVE 35 (Single grave a)

- 35:1. Square piece of yellowish white silk felt. Was wound like a turban round the head of the corpse. About 50×60 cm.
- 35:2. Dress fragm. of yellow silk damask with inserted strip of bluish-green silk taffeta, 6 cm. wide, sewn on with undyed silk. Damask with ground in plain weave, pattern in twill with zig-zag lines with intervening double lozenges with angles outside two opposed corners. Fragm. somewhat biased, with marks from stitches on two sides. Patched. W. about 39 cm. H. along blue strip about 47 cm. Pl. 25:1.
- 35:3-5. Several fragm. of same material as —:2.
- 35:6. Fragm. probably from the lower part of the same garment as above, of undyed silk rep, cut somewhat on the bias like —:2. Selvage. Hem in two places. Lining of undyed, slippery silk, in plain weave, ragged and bigger than the outer fabric.
- 35:7. Fragm. of back of hemp (?) fabric with shoulder seam on to small front part. Belonging to this part a low, upstanding collar. A small piece of the same fabric attached to the lower edge. Greatest L. 74 cm.
- 35:8. Large ragged piece of undyed hemp (?) fabric in plain weave, full width about 43—44 cm. Worn. May have belonged to the same garment as —:7.
- 35:9. Portion of a garment of hemp (?) fabric in plain weave, two parts. The upper part consists of two pieces of blued fabric with brown gore in between; all fragmentary. The lower part attached to the upper part and consisting of larger piece of undyed hemp (?) fabric, partly with hem. Sewn with undyed silk or thread of some other yellow material.
- 35:10. Three fragm., two large and one small, of a garment of undyed hemp (?) fabric in plain weave, biased and forming a point. Hem at two sides. The two larger pieces have been joined together. The smaller piece has been torn away from the larger one. Hems of the same kind as —:9. Full width of the material about 47 cm.
- 35:11. Fragmentary panel of skirt or trousers of undyed hemp (?) fabric in plain weave. Gathered at the top and somewhat biased towards the upper part, seam with fragm. from the next panel attached. L. 90 cm.