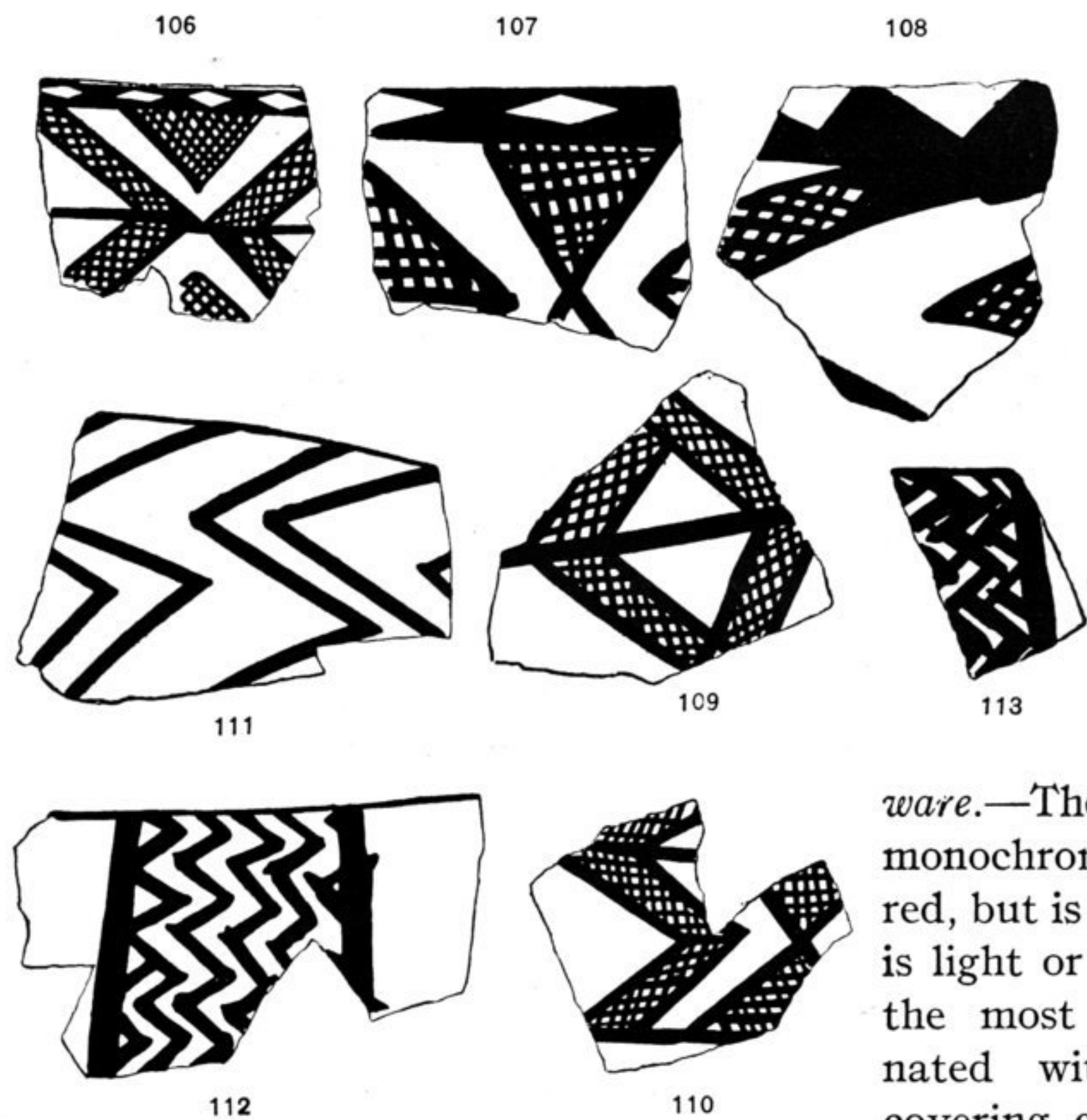


as group *x*) are to be distinguished. The remains of this pottery were found on the surface of the top of the hill in terraces I, II, IV, and V, as well as in the upper layers of terraces I to VIII, down to an average level of +25 feet.

TECHNIQUE.

Red monochrome vessels.—In the fracture the fragments show a clay which in the interior is gray or earth-colored, and towards the outside light-brown or reddish, or mixed gray and light-brown, according to the firing. Very thin vessels are burnt red throughout. In the washing the clay was strongly impregnated with mica and particles of quartz. The surface was covered with a thin-colored clay slip and polished after the firing. This slip became generally light-red in firing, but not uniform in tone. Brown vessels also occurred. The characteristic feature of the whole family, however, is the flame-blackening or flame-spotting

(*Flaemmung*) which shows itself in large black blotches on the surface. This flame-blackening may have had its origin in the method of firing and its imperfection, but it was clearly regarded as a decoration and may at last have been produced intentionally. The interior of the vessels is, as a rule, not flame-blackened (plate 20, fig. 2).



Gray monochrome ware.—The technique of the gray monochrome ware corresponds to the red, but is generally better. The clay is light or dark-gray, well washed for the most part, and much impregnated with white particles. The covering consists of a light or dark-

gray clay slip and is in many instances darker than the color of the clay.

Both groups of vessels were made by hand. In isolated examples of the gray ware with the very well-washed clay and hard burning, there is combined a semblance of wheel-work, but it is impossible to determine this with certainty.

FORMS.

Red monochrome.—Small, delicate vessels, dishes, and deep cups are the predominating forms of the red ware, though larger, thick-walled forms are not lacking. From the lip profiles selected from the great mass of fragments the following series of forms has been compiled.