

with blue spots and cylindrical; and a pendant of lapis lazuli, blue with white spots. Of identically the same material as the last-named bead was an irregular cylindrical bead (N.K. 26; fig. 309; plate 40, fig. 10), found with skeleton 2 of terrace 1. The other skeleton, No. 5, in terrace 1, +30 feet, also had burial gifts, which in material and form class themselves with those just mentioned (N.K. 50; fig. 310; plate 40, fig. 6); four beads of lapis lazuli, of which two are angular, the others irregularly double-conical, with truncated points; two of them are bluish-white with blue spots, the third light-blue with white spots, the fourth uniformly light-blue. A large quantity of very small cylindrical beads of yellowish-white stone were found with the skeleton 19 in terrace v, +29 feet (N.K. 222; fig. 311; plate 40, fig. 5).

FROM MIDDLE AND LOWER STRATA OF SOUTH KURGAN, CULTURE III.

*Beads.*—There is only a single bead to be noted from the skeleton graves of the South Kurgan—a small, cylindrical, yellowish-white stone bead (S.K. 244; fig. 312; plate 41, fig. 16). It was found April 22, 1904, in terrace B, with skeleton 19, +27 feet.

All the other beads were separate finds, which are described as follows: Two beads, one gray-striped and barrel-shaped, the other gray-green with dark veins and annular (S.K. 104; fig. 313; plate 41, fig. 11). They were found in terrace B, between +25 and +26.25 feet. One bead (S.K. 287; fig. 314; plate 41, fig. 5) is very remarkable on account of its material and form. It comes from terrace B, between +19 and +20 feet. It is somewhat flat, the shape of a prune stone, elliptical in cross-section, and shows a peculiar pattern on both sides—dark-gray on a light-gray ground. It is a polished pebble, containing a fossil. Another bead (S.K. 157) of lenticular cross-section and cylindrical in longitudinal section, with indrawn sides and made of milk-white alabaster with water-gray stripes, is shown in fig. 315, and plate 41, fig. 12. It comes from terrace C, between +23 feet 2 inches and +26 feet 2 inches. At the same terrace, between +21 feet 2 inches and +23 feet 2 inches, there were found two beads (S.K. 218; fig. 316; plate 41, fig. 4). One is made of carnelian, nearly spherical; the other of dark-brown lapis lazuli, in pyramidal form and pierced at the top like a pendant.

There were found numerous double-conical stone beads in the form of whorls, made from variegated materials and always well polished. They are either low and wide or high and narrow. A gray-green specimen (S.K. 193) is shown in fig. 317 and plate 42, fig. 4. It is from terrace B, between +21 feet 5 inches and +23 feet 7 inches. In terrace C, between +21 feet 2 inches and +23 feet

