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Most of the stones from the site had been identified by Dr F W Anderson before his death. However, a small number from Ernest Greenfield's (AM Nos 830000-06) and from John Wachter's excavations (AM Nos 830016-51) had not been examined. To make good this deficiency they were compared with some of the stones that had been identified and the tentative identifications assigned to each are given below. Some of the 'fine grey sandstones' contain some mica and some are calcareous. They are not a totally uniform group. The same can be said of similar stones identified by Dr Anderson.

I am not a geologist but in most cases I am satisfied that the identifications are most likely correct. A question mark shows uncertainty and two question marks inspired guesswork.

AM NO	TYPE OF OBJECT	GEOLOGICAL IDENTIFICATION
830000	Whetstone	Dark Grey Siltstone
830001	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830002	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830003	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830004	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830005	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830006	Pebble polisher	?? Quartzite
830016	Slab	Red sandstone
830017	Pebble polisher	?
830018	Pebble polisher	(a veined ? metamorphic rock)
830019	?Architectural fragment	Fine red sandstone
830020	Slab	Fine red sandstone
830021	Spanish pebble	(Similar to 830017)
830022	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830023	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830024	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830025	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830026	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830027	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830028	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830029	Whetstone (grooved)	Fine grey sandstone
830030	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830031	Whetstone	Fine red sandstone
830032	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830033	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830034	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830035	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830036	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830037	Whetstone	Red sandstone
830037A	Whetstone	Micaceous sandstone

830038	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830039	?Archilecton? Element	Fine grey sandstone
830040	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830041	Whetstone	Grey sandstone
830042	Whetstone	Micaceous schist?
830043	Whetstone	Micaceous schist?
830044	Pebble polisher	(Similar to 830017)
830045	Disc	Fine red sandstone
830046	Whetstone	Grey sandstone
830047	Whetstone	Fine grey sandstone
830048	Slab ?palette	Fine grey sandstone
830049	Pebble polisher	Fine red sandstone
830050	?Fossil	Fossiliferous Limestone
830051	Pebble	Banded ??quartzite