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Register of archaeological material

Material is numbered on the system of year/accession no., except for the Young collection which was numbered by Young on van Riet Lowe's system of accession no./year (38). Except for the Young collection, year before 188/ are entirely fictitious, a mesh, save a groups into which the archaeological collection is divided.

A. OLD COLLECTIONS OF THE MUSEUM, transferred from the Ethnographical register. These former had single number 1) up to 4 digits. The old number are entered in that register, along with new number; on the object only the new number are coated with bakacryl. These collections are divided geographically into 4 fictive years:

25/

26/

27/

28/

Material from Natal

Material from the rest of South Africa and South-west Africa, Lesotho (Brentland) and Swaziland

Material from the rest of Africa

Material from other continent

F.H.M.

B. Fencil collection. Fencil was ~~scavenger of the Port Elizabeth~~ He hunted for material in all parts of Port Elizabeth, including the center of the city and the urban suburbs, but found very little near Sutherland. He had intended to discard much of his material as soon as he started, but had a stroke just before retirement a few years before his death. At his death the Fencil asked D. Lawrence if she should keep the material, & D. Lawrence said yes (information from Mr. Fencil). In 1950 I found the material in bad condition on front trays in a room of the Museum. Papers which retained their labels I kept & reworked, but had to discard much that which had no correlation to any archaeological unit. The rest remained when I packed it until I started to number it in 1969. A good deal more was then discarded.

Material from the collection is numbered 30/. I have retained the file I made in 1950, & have not copied it or sent a copy to Cape Town

Career of Mr. Frank Henry Martin Fencil

Born 1/8/1872

D/Man 1902 - 28/2/04

Chamber Epidemic Hospital 1905-1911 and 1912

Captain P.W.D. 1920

Saving my museum P.M.B.C. from 19/5/1921

C Young collection. Young was scientific officer in the Natal Museum from about 1938, or under van Riet Lowe's direction he made a collection from standard sites in the Transvaal & Orange Free State. Only a very few bones have been retained in type specimens, numbered 1/38. Young left under a cloud after a very short period of employment.

D Bones which I found in 1951, some previously registered in the Ethnographical Register, some acquired but never registered. These were at first then renumbered 41/

E Collection of WE Jones, Kungosi. New numbered 45/

F Collection numbered 23/ 44/ 50/ 51/. Collection of O'Donnell 1948-59/51, housed in Johannesburg from 1952 & now fairly reworked, but some are certainly missing.

