

MS 682 Papers and drawings of John Mitchell Kemble (1807-57)

Notes on the contents.

The drawings in this volume are concentrated in the following areas:

pp 265-281;283-285 Notes on Anglo Saxon interments and grave goods from various published sources, including articles in the *Archaeological Journal*. The pen and ink sketches are copied from the published illustrations. Sites include Great Clacton, Essex; Spole, Swaffham and the Anglo Saxon cemeteries at Chessell Down, Brook Down, Shalcomb Down etc on the Isle of Wight.

pp 317-327 An account in English, in the form of a daily journal of the excavation of barrows at SOLTAU, near Hanover. These were conducted by JM Kemble and Richard Meier, Lieutenant 1st Light Batt. Hanover in June and October 1853. Pen & ink sketches of plans of the barrows opened, the contents of which seem to have been mostly of the Iron Age, though one early Bronze Age Beaker is recorded. The excavations were not apparently published.

327, field notes written in German (? by Richard Meier)

329 sketches in colour of bronze of brooches and swan's neck pins in iron from the excavations at Soltau

330 sketches of pins, earrings, torc fragments

331 bronze fragments, rings, iron objects, beads of glass

332 iron clasps, and ring

333 bronze torc, ring, brooch, outline profiles of pottery

334 beaker and another vessel

An account in English of the excavation of barrows upon the Loher heath at LOHE, near NEINBURG, on 3rd and 27th April 1817. (It is not clear who conducted these excavations -probably General Count Münster - see pp 401-) L

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335 bronze earrings and ring headed pin

336 horse's hoof bone and pair of bronze tweezers

337-399. An account in English, in the form of a daily journal, of the excavations carried out by J.M Kemble at RIPDORF, OITZEN and MOLZEN. The excavations were not apparently published and no reference to these notes or the MS appears, for example, in Heinz Schirinig's much later excavations at Ripdorf in 1968 (Schirinig 1971). Kemble records well over 200 cremations, generally placed in urns in cairns or cists within barrows. Date of material mainly Iron Age.

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344 Inserted, survey of the barrows at Ripdorf and Molzen, with field boundaries, landowners, roads woods etc indicated. 9

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341 General site map of Oldenspadt, Ripdorf, Molzen & (Uitzen) UELZEN

342-3 pottery from excavations at Molzen (black ware cinerary urns); plan of burial mound

344-5 plan and section in colour of excavated barrow, plan of another (nb, it was clearly intended to indicate on the survey a numbering system for each barrow, but this was not done, though descriptions, which are detailed, do feature field names)

346 bronze fragment

348-9 pottery, bronze earrings, iron hooked fastener

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350-1 pottery

353 plan of barrow

354 section drawing of barrow

355 plan of large barrow containing many stone cist burials, and

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356 the urns found (?late Bronze Age) and bronze ornament

358-9 11 pottery vessels of varying form, numbered and described

361 pencil plan of barrow

362-312 vessels, some covered with smaller containers

364 section of burial with stone slab lid and base with urn inside

365 bronze object with iron shank, urns drawn in pencil

366, urn drawn in pencil