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Dear Carter:

The enclosed lists cover everything we have in this Museum from the Valley of the Kings. I have not attempter to give you detailed descriptions of the objects until I know just what interests you, but there is enough in the lists, I believe for you to piock out what yyou want to know more aboiut, and then if you will let me have the numbers I will send you more information, and photographs if you care for them.

The material is not important. The Miscellaneous List -- from sources other than Theo. M. Davis -- is very doubtful stuff. The glass vases said to be from Amenhotep II and the cup possible from Rameses II (i.e. from Deir el Cahri cache) may have come from anywhere; the broken ushabtis of Seri I are probablt from the Valley, but those of Hent-taui and Ra-ma-ka were, of course, found with the royal mummies by Maspero.

The gifts of Theo. M. Davis are in all cases what he though was rubbish -- and some of it is. He gave outright to the Boston Museum a lot of good glazes from Thutmosis IV and a chair arm, the box and leather garments of Miherpri and the sarcophagus of Thutmosis I. The stuff he gave to us was really given by Harold Jones and Burton. The most important of the stuff is the cachr found by Ayrton near the Engine Tomb on which I have always intended to write an article. I had Hall draw the types of pottery this winter and if I am held back here in

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America anoter year I shall surely try to do something on it. In the mean time let me know what I can do to help you in regard to it. You might, if you are in Cairo, see if you can run down to the mask, (see page 6 of list) said to be from this find of pottery, and if you find it I ould be very much obliged for a description of it and its Livre d’Entrée number.

In regard to the Davis private collection we do not yet know whether the will will stand and whether it will come to us or not. I am sending you a list of everything we can find that still remained in shis possession at the time of his death. As you will see it is practically all published well enough -- but if there is anything more you want to know about thoses thinkgs which are on loan here write soon in case the will is broken and the collection scattered. Unfortunately we have no photographs of loan material.

If I can do anything in Boston for you I will be glad to as I shall be near there in August and Septenber.

Best luck to you,

Sincerely,

(hw: H. W.)

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FROM THE VALLEY OF THE KINGS, THEBES

GIFTS OF THEODORE M. DAVIS, ESQ. TO THE METOPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART, NEW YORK

(N.B. The first two figures of the accession number give the year that the object was received by the Museum. A few objects, including fragments of alabaster boxes from the Tomb of Siptah, not yet accessioned, are not included in this list.).

From the Tomb of Iuya and Tua.

07.226.2-3; 2 amphorae; pottery; fragmentary; hts. 27in. and 19 in.

From the “Tomb of Queen Tiyi”.

07.226.1; Canopic jar; alabaster; ht 14 ¾ in. (ht. taken without heas).

See list of Davis Collection L 1372.31 for head of jar.

09.184.171-172; 2 amphorae; from entance to tomb of Tiyi

From the Tomb of Siptah.

[-- -- -- -- Fragments of alabaster boxes. ]

14.7.83; Jar lid; limestone; diam. 0.238m. Circular plaque, on top a rosette

painted (nymphaea caeruled displayed0; under side edges

14.6.84 Jar Lid; “ “ “ diam. 0.219m.

14.6.85 Jar Lid; “ “ “ “ . 0.224m.

14.6.86 Jar Lid; “ “ “ “ . 0.258m.

14.6.87 Jar Lid; “ “ “ “ . 0.118m.

14. 6. 89Jar sealing; alabaster; ht. 0.294. Mummiform figure with royal head-dress; inscription in black ink; rough workmanship.

14.6.173 Ushabti “ “ “ “ ht. 0.224m.

14.6.174 Ushabti “ “ “ “ ht. 0.241m.

Tomb of Thutmosis IV

L 6[hole].15 Vase [ 1], arragomite. See Carter and Newberry Tomb of Thoutmosis IV

p. 1, P1. II.

L 1372.611 Vase [2], aragonite. Ibid p. 1, P1. II.

L 1372.612 Saucer [7], aragonite. Ibid, p. 2.

L 678.37a-c Panel from the side of a throne [2], cedar wood. Ibidp. 21.

Panel [1] is in Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

L 678. 24 Ushtabi [3], blue falence. See ibid p. 46 where height is to be corrected to 18 cm., and Plate XIII where it is wrongly marked 46162, [46162 is broken in 3 pieces with piece wanting drom center, photograph shown ushabti complete].

Newport Ushabti , blue falence. Not identified in Carter and Newberry ibid .

L 678.25 Ushabti and Coffin [ 33] blue falence. See ibid p.53 and Pl. XIV.

L 844.30

L 678.29 Squat Jar [5] blue falence. See ibid p. 60 and Pl. XIX. Bottom and stopper now gone. Body not broken as suggested in description.

L. 678. 29 Hes vase [5], blue falence. See ibid p. 69, Pl. XXI. Correct cartouche to {hw symbol} Fragment shown in photograph now lost.

L. 678.27 Hes vase [21], blue falence. See ibid, p. 73.

L 678. 26 Hes vase [35], blue falence. See ibid, p. 76.

L Stopper of vases Stopper of vase [27], blue falence. See ibid, p. 86.

Newport 2 stoppers, blue falence. Not identified in ibid.

Newport Cup, [2] blue faience. See ibid, p. 92, figure 41.

L 844. 28 Ankh [13] blue faience. See ibid p. 104.

L 648.30 Ankh [23], blue faience. Ibid p. 106, where it is numbered

[Cairo Museum] 46373.

Tomb of Thutmosis IV (continued)

L 678.32 Throw stick, blue faience. Fragment 13 ½ cm. long with sacred eye and prenomen of Thutmosis Iv on either side. Not identified in carter and Newberry.

L. 678.35 Model Papyrus Roll [ 17], blue faience. Ibid p. 117, where dimensions should be corrected to 5.5 cm. x 1.8 cm.

L 844.29 Cylinder [26], blue faience. Ibid p. 118 where length should be corrected to 12.5 cm.

Newport Papyrus Roll, blue faience. Not identified in ibid

Newport? Plaque [], blue faience. See ibid p. 122, P1. XXVI.

L 678.33 Model Lotus Bud [2], blue fainece. Ibid p. 124.

L 678.34 Model Kohl Pot [1], blue faience. Ibid p. 126 where inscription should be correct to {hierglyphics}

Newport? Beads [21]. See ibid p. 133.

L 1372.43 Bottle [1], glass. Ibid p. 135, Plate XXVII.

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“Tomb of Queen Tiyi” (continued)

Models of obects in faience:

NewportKnife; similar to Davis, ibid. P1. II, fig. 2.

L 844. 20-21 Chest (ht. 1 ½ in., length 3 1.4 in.); similar to ibid, p. 33 fig. 32. Has a cornice around top, and holes in lid and box for knobs, now lost.

L 844. 22 Ring pot-stand (dia. 1 ⅜ in.); similar to ibid, p. 35, P1. III, 3 and 6

L 844.23 Vase (ht. 3 ½ in.); similar to ibid P1. II, 6

L 844. 24 Bunch of Grapes (ht. 1 ¾ in.); round markings, similar to ibid, P1.II,1

L 844.25 Cup (ht. 1 ⅝ in.); see ibid. p. 34, similar to P1. III, I and IV, 2.

L 844. 26 Cup (ht. 1 ⅛ in.); see ibid p.34, similar to P1. III, I and IV, 2.

L 844.27 Vase (ht. 2 ¼ in.); similar to ibid P1. III, 6.

Tomb of Siptah

Ushabti of Siptah; alabaster; ht. 7 ⅝ in.

Tomb of Queen Taosrit

A string of open work spherical beads and pendents from a necklace of Queen Taosrit; 77 spherical beads, 24 pendants; gold; L. 24 in. See Davis etc. Tomb of Siptah p. 37 and Plate “Gold necklace of Queen Taosrift,” for beads now in Cairo Museum of which these are further examples.

Tomb unknown

Newport Stucco mask, from a bundle in a canopic jar. Height about 6 in.

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LIST OF MISCELLANEOUS OBJECTS POSSIBLY FROM A ROYAL TOMB AT THEBES IN METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART, NEW YORK, JUNE 1 , 1915

Loan No, 1277.23, Glass vase, shape [hw: image] ; deep blue body color, with yellow, light blue and white drawn pattern supposed to be from tomb of Amenhotep III; lent by Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan; purchased from M. Mohasib, 1912-13. Hy. 0.08m.

Loan No 1277.24, Glass vase, amphora in from. [hw: image] , deep blue body color with light blue, white and yellow drawn patter; lip edged in white, foot in light blue, yellow glass thread about lower part of body. From tomb of Amenhotep II, according to Maspero; lent by Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan; purchased from M. Mohassib 1912-13. Ht. 0.103m.

Access. No. 10.193; fragment of ushabti of Seti I; green glazed falence; gift of Garrett Chatfield Pier; hy. 3 11/16 in.

Access No. 10.130.1073; fragment of ushabti of Seti I; green glazed faience, Murch Collection; gift of Miss Helen Miller Gould; ht. 1 7/8 in.

Access. No. 08.202.35; Cup [hw: image] shaped; inscribed with the two cartouches of Ramses II in black; blue-green glazed faience; purchased of M. Mohassib, 1908; ht. 4 in.

Access. No. 847; ushabti of Hent-taui; blue glazed faience. Bought of Maspero in 1886.

Access. Nos. 10.130.1066, 1067A-B; 3 Ushabtis of Hent-taui; blue glazed faience. Murch Collection, gift of Miss Helen Miller Gould.

Loan No. 1277.73, Ushabti of Hent-taui; blue glazed faience. Lent by J.P. Morgan, bought of M. Mohassib about 1911.

Access. No. 949, Ushabti of Ra-ma-ka: blue glazed faience. Bought of Maspero, 1886.

Access. No. 10.103.1065A, Ushabti of Ra-ma-ka: blue glazed faience. Murch Collection, Gift of Miss Helen Miller Gould.

Loan No, 1277.72 Ushabti of Ra-ma-ka; blue glazed faience. Lent by J.P. Morgan, bought of M. Mohassib, about 1911.

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Coptic Material from Valley of the Kings.

Access. No. 14.6.222; platter; from Coptic site at Tomb 2; coarse light red ware; decorated with red, white and black.

Access No. 14.6.223; ostracon, limestone; Coptic inscription.

Access. No. 14.6.224; pot; from Tomb 2; coarse black ware, Coptic.

Access. No. 14.6.225; pot; coarse red ware; ht. 0.22m; diam. 0.25m.

Access No. 14.6.226; pot; coarse red ware; Coptic; lower half blackened. Ht. 0.24; diam. 0.18m.

Access. No. 14.6.228; pot; coarse red ware; Coptic; ht. 0.595m.; diam. 0.235m.

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OBJECTS FOUND IN THE VALLEY OF THE KINGS, IN THE PRIVATE COLLECTION OF THEODORE M. DAVIS ESQ. THOSE MARKED “NEWPORT” IN MR. DAVIS’ HOUSE: THOSE MARKED WITH “L” AND A NUMBER, ON LOAN IN THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM, JUNE 1, 1915

Model Objects from Tomb Foundation Deposit of Hetshepsut

L 678.1 Roll of 5 Mats; (L. 7 ½ in. ). See Davis Tomb of Hâtshopsîtû, p. 106.

L 678.2 Jar-rest of rush work; (L. 5 5/8 in.; w. 4 3/8 in.). Similar to ibid P1. XV, 7.

L 678.3-5 3 pieces of bread (Diam. 2 3/8 in.; L 3 ½ in,; L. 2 ½ in.)/ Ibid. page 106.

L 678.6-8 3 samples of linen; ( L. 4 5/8 in.; L. 8 ½ in.; L. 9 ½ in.). Ibid. page 106.

L 678.9 Brick mold; wood; ( L. 4 5/8 in.; w. 2 3/8 in.) Similar to ibid. P1. XV, 12.

L 678.16 Alabaster jar; (Ht. 1 15/16 in. with lid) See ibid p. 105, P1. XIV,1

L – Whip; wood covered with gold leaf; (L. 3 1/16 in.) Shown in ibid. P1. XV, 8

L – Knot amulet; wood covered with gold leaf; (L. 3 in.) Similar to ibid. P1. XV, 11.

L678.10 Knife (saw!); (L. 7 1.2 in.) Similar to ibid P1. XV, 5.

L 678.11 Adze, copper blasé lashed to wooden handle with leather; (L. 5 in.) Similar to ibid. P1.XV, 3.

L 678.12 Chisel; (L. 6 3/8 in.) Similar to ibid P1. XV, 1.

L 678.14 Setep- sign, wood; (L. 3 3/8 in.) Similar to ibid, P1. XV, 6.

L 678.14 Mason’s float; (L. 2 15/16 in.); Similar to ibid. P1. XV, 12.

L 1372.54 Model axe with wooden handle (L. 3 in. ; w. 2 1/8 in.) Similar to ibid P1. XV, 9.

L 1372.614 Chisel, copper blade and wooden handle (L. 6 3/16 in.). Somewhat similar to ibid P1. XV, 10.

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FROM THE TOMB OF SIPTAH (continued)

14.6.175; Ushabti of Siptah; alabaster; Mummiform figure with royal head-dress; inscription in black ink; rough workmanship. Ht. 0.257m.

14.6.176; Ushabti “ “ “ “ Ht. 0.205m.

14.6.177 Ushabti “ “ “ “ Ht. 29m.

14.6.178 Ushabti “ “ “ “ Ht. 28m.

14.6.179 Ushabti “ “ “ “ Ht. 209m.

14.6.180 Ushabti “ “ “ “ Ht. 238m.

14.6.181 Ushabti “ “ “ “ Ht. 26m.

From a Royal Tomb (unknown)

10.184.1A-B; Pair of sandals; papyrus. Similar to those in Davis Tomb of Iouiya and Touiyou, P1. XLIV.

Royal Tomb Furinture, surface finds in the Valley of the Kings.

09.184.258-259; Mud sealing’s painted blue, bearing impressions of the seal of the priests of the Royal Necropolis. Found 4 meters to south and front of Amenophis II tomb (No. 35).

09.184.213; Fragment of ushabti of Seti I found in chip near his tomb. Ht. 0.108m. x 0.05m. (N.B. See also list of Miscellaneous Objects for two other fragments).

14.6.221; Fragment of an indeterminate object, blue glazed stone; has cartouche of Ramses II on one side, remains of inscriptions on other side. 0.095m. x0.09m. x 0.055m.

09.184.211; Fragment of wig from a mummy case; blue faience with wavy hair represented in relief. From workmen house “N” between tombs 18 and 21 0.095m. x 0.06m.

14.6.32; Fragment of wig; “ “ “ L. 0.085m.

14.6.33; Fragment of wig; faience, dark blue and yellow color inlaid; ht. 0.045m.

14.6.36; Fragment of wig; wood, covered with dark blue faience, L. 0.11m.

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Royal Tomb Furniture, surface finds in the Valley of the Kings, (continued)

14.6.30; Fragment of beard, from a mummy case!, blue faience, discolored; L. 0.067m.

14.6.26; Fragment of vase, glass; blue, with white and yellow lines; ht. 0.022m.

14.6.27; Fragment of vase; glass; dark blue; white, yellow and green lines; ht. 0.02

14.6.28; Neck of vase; glass; blue with yellow, white and black lines around the rim; ht. 0.052m.

14.6.29; Fragment of vase; glass; dark blue with white, light blue and yellow lines. Ht. 0.038m.

14.6.31; Fragment of vase; blue faience; decoration in black line. L. 0.077m.

14.6.35; Fragment of vase; blue faience; decoration the lower part of a kneeling figure in black; ht. 0.098m.

14.6.45; Handle of vase; alabaster; L. 0.119m.

14.6.47; Dummy vase; limestone; part of an incised inscription, painted blue and red; ht. 0.14m.

14.6.49; Fragment of Canopic Jar; limestone; with part of incised inscription painted blue; 0165m x 0.144m.

14.6.34; Fragment of an indeterminate object; bright blue faience; ht. 0056m.

14.6.37a-b; 2 fragments of Ankh sign; blue faience; (a) 0.046m.; (b) 0.022m.

Articles left by Priests or Workmen, Surface finds in the Valley of the Kings.

09.184.173-174; 2 Two handled pots, from workmen’s houses between tombs 6 to 21.

09.184.174-178; 4 Pots; from workmen’s houses between tombs 6-21.

14.6.80; Pot; rough red ware; diam. 0.228m.

09184.180; Small saucer; from workman’s house between tombs 6-21.

09.184.179; Pot lid; from workmen’s houses between tombs 6-21

14.6.91-92; 2 Jar Stoppers; clay; diams.0.055m. and 0073m.

14.6.81-82; 2 Jar strands; rough red ware, painted white; ht. 0.099m; diam. 0.055m. ht. 0.076m. ; diam. 0.122m.

14.6.50; Palette; slate; 0.22m. x 0.106m.

14.6.44 Fragment of worked stone implement; limestone; sketch of fish on one side; L. 0.096m.

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Articles left of Priests or Workmen, Surface finds in the Valley of the Kings (cont.)

09.184.181; Mould?; for piece of jewelry and figurine of goddess. Limestone. From workmen’s houses near “Tomb of Tiyi” or between tombs 18 and 21, Eastern Valley. 0.158m. x 0.115m.

09.184.212; Part of a lock; Wood. From workmen’s house “N” between Tombs 18 and 21.

14.6.182; Stela of Pen-Amen; limestone; ht. 0.37m. x 0.25m.

14.6.183; Stela of two scribes if the Necropolis, Pa-ra-hotep? And Amenem(hat)? Was cut on the rock cliff on the south side near the mouth of the north branch of the West Valley of the Kings, just over the ridge from Theo. Davis’ house. Removed from the cliff by Harold Jones about 1909; limestone. Ht. 0.32m. 1. 0.46m.

09.184.182-198; 17 Ostraca. Limestone. From house of workmen near tomb of Tiyi or between tomb 18 and 21, and from chip heaps in same branch of Valley.

09.184.199-200; 2 Ostraca; limestone. Artist’s rough sketches in relief. From workmen’s house[st:s] “N” between tombs 18-21.

14.6.184.189; 6 Ostraca; limestone; artist’s rough sketches in relief.

14.6.190-211; 23 Ostraca; limestone; preliminary sketches from tomb walls in black ink.

09.184.201-210; 10 Ostraca; pottery. From house “N” between tombs 18 and 21.

From Cache now at M.M.A. House Kurneh.

11.156.6-9; 4 jars, sealed, with hieratic inscriptions on shoulders.

(Other pots from same lot are in storage at house in Kurneh. White writes Carter has tracings of inscriptions.)

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From Cache near Tomb 18 discovered by Aryton, 1907-1908

09.184.1-7 6 Zeira Hard salmon pink pottery, [image] shape; white-washed outside and sealed with flat plaster sealing’s. Contained following articles, packed in tibu.

09.184.8-101 [typed underneath: .105 [,] .114-170] 161 Pots bowls, platters etc. Late XVIII dynasty types. Were almost all broken when packed in Zeirs above. Fragments of many others were lost in Egypt or could not be mended in New York.

09.184.106-113 8 Saucers, small, rough terra-cotta. Inscribed in Hieratic with black ink.

09.184.102-104 3 Jar Stoppers, pottery.

09.184.221-223 3 Oblong Trays, unbaked gray clay, uninscribed and undecorated. Several other examples not catalogued.

09.184.236-238 3 Jar lids, red pottery saucers which had been used as jar lids bound in place with papyrus.

09.184.240-257 18 Jar lids, circular, of papyrus.

09.184. 239 Jar lid, a potsherd covered with papyrus and used as a jar lid under a white plaster sealing. 0.033m.; smallest 0.060m. x 0.025m.

09.184.260 Sealing, clay, bearing impression of a scarac of Tut ankh amen.

09.184.261 Sealing, clay, bearing impression of a scarab of the Priests of the Necropolis (cr. Newberry, Scarabs fig. 97).

09.185.262-265 4 Sealings, clay.

09.184.233-234 2 Packages of chaff, done up in linen. L. 0.118m. and 0,105m.

09.184.232 Package of meal or flour and salt; done up in linen. L. 0.15m.

09.184.224-225 2 Bags of meal or flour and salt, long cylindrical shaped. L. 0.84m. and 0.94m.

09.184.226-227 2 Bags of meal or flour and salt; with tapes of linen at four corners.

09.284.228-231 4 Packages of meal or flour and salt; small and square.

09.184.214-216 3 Flower Collars, flowers, berries and leaves on a papyrus backing. See Handbook of the Egyptian Rooms, Fig. 49.

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From cache near Tomb 18 discovered by Aryton, 1907-1908

09.184.217-219 3 Aprons ?? of linen, two white and one dark blue.

09.184.220 Sheet of linen from a burial, bearing in vlack ink date Tutankhamen Year VI. Published—with incorrect provenance—in Maspero Rec. Trav. XXXII, p. 88; Davis [underlined by hand: Tombs of Harmhabi and] Tonatânkhamanou.

Other examples of sheets and bandages from mummies and scraps of burnt wood and wicker furniture not catalogued. A mask, covered with gold leaf, of the type found on packages of viscera within Canopic Jars [hw: ,]is said to have been found in the first of the Zeirs opened and to be now in the Cairo Museum.