

Nearly at the centre of the circle of walls salient a about 2.2 m east of Parkhurst's peg there was a broken stump in a recessant on the curved edge of the slope. This apparently had been the rest of the hearth. Round the roots, well above the rubble, were several medium-sized stones, ~~including~~ ^{quartzite}, & among them some of reddened granite. Nothing remained of a clay lining or of charcoal.

There was no clear sign of the entrance. There were rather large pits in the circle of walls - ~~sinkets~~ (or ~~sink~~ + ~~sink~~). These might have held larger sticks which acted as a frame for the roof, or there might have been a door between them on the north; but ~~crossing~~ ~~at the floor~~ (always had destroyed all written evidence). On the west a doorway and slope the wattle-thatched remains ^{had been} continuous ^{now} & no gap where a door might have been. On the east, on the up-slope ^{not more than 10 cm high} there might have been an entrance with a ~~few~~ step, or the terrace-scarp down to the bank; but this would be the most inconvenient side for a door, open to a stream of water down the slope of the rocky stream.

This last time reconstruction ^{on} my inadequate evidence would give a hut about 3.3 m in east-west diameter & perhaps ^{2.9 m} ~~depth~~ ^{length} - mat-thatched. Apparently ~~about~~ half of the original slope (then had survived). Between the peg & all the area west of the boundary line were outside the hut.

In rather low on outer bank of Parkhurst's peg, ^{+ 5-10 cm lower than the slope floor} there was an irregular setting of stones, now of thin quartzite pebbles. Near them other ^{large} ~~thin~~ ^{dark} slabs but which probably formed part of the outer circle thought to mark a fence. The stones were not ~~banked~~ & had therefore a mounting. They might have formed a sitting place on the warmest side of the hut.

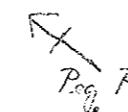
On the slope above the ~~wall~~ ^{edge} of the terrace, ~~just~~ ^{but} ~~at the~~ ^{at the} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~quartzite~~ ~~bedrock~~, was again a patch of red rubble or dark earth above the basal rubble, evidently less than 1 m wide from the terrace-scarp which probably marked the circle of walls. This could have been associated with the hut, even if it was on the side.

There was no evidence that the hut had been burnt. On the dry floor were no signs of charcoal or other burnt material, & the few shreds of charcoal outside the floor had probably been washed down the hill. The hut was, however, of thatch + willow, probably collapsed & rotted, ~~was covered every day~~ ~~time~~.

I can't tell how much of the approximately 10 cu m of grey sandy earth outside the hut had remained intact, or whether there had been short periods between the rubble followed by deposits of short earth. In the north west quadrant ~~there~~^{lay} a few sheets close to the rubble, & it seemed that the sand contained some small white cobbles which could have been caused by the will of short earth. But these were scattered & most of the hut was situated further from the rubble & stones close to the surface. It is ~~hardly~~ not worth describing them in detail. They include a number of small undifferentiated white sheets, one fine burnished, one perhaps with an incised line, ~~one~~^{few} ~~burnish~~^{and so on} & flattened in profile all from the same found north of the hut, above the terrace to the east; the scatter & the ~~smaller~~^{larger} remains indicate that they ~~had~~ had not been incorporated into the hut. Other finds consist of also the hut reflected, a number of pieces of bone, some cut & some apparently a fragment of an artefact; a number of pieces of white European chine from several vessels, evidently a plate & a saucer; my little iron; a few small brick heads, & several large pebbles ~~most~~ which may have ~~been~~ a gritty surface. Quartzite pebbles seemed absent for a formidable mass at the top of the hill & were scattered every where down the slope; among them were one or two fine flintstone artefacts. On the slope below nothing was found.

A ~~large~~ fibrous piece from about the hut could be the remains of bedding, or of some artefact (it looks like it) in fact & on also the rubble but need not be contemporary with the site.

1m = 1 large square



SW quadrant



O = open

+ = woody areas

||||| = LAGUN Three plan lines up
marked on edges
water for tree areas

Pg P

Region

water

Substrate

Supply

