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In lieu of an abstract, here is a brief excerpt of the content:

CARTHAGE, SITE 2: THE THEODOSIAN WALL by COLIN WELLS A report on the 1976 excavations appeared in last year's EMC/CNV. There was no digging on the site in 1977, but a month was devoted to further work on the material from the 1976 excavations. The pottery was under the responsibility of Lucinda Neuru (McHaster University); the coins were studied by Prof. Roger Blockley (Carleton University). Profs. Wells and Wightman also took part in a meeting for chefs d'equipe of the Carthage teams organised by the Tunisian archaeological authorities. The 1978 excavations will occupy the months of June and July. They will concentrate on obtaining more information about the line of the Theodosian Wall and about the layout and development of the street system in this area, as well as examining further the nature of certain features already uncovered in 1976, such as the mud brick wall referred to above and a cistern uncovered in the last days of the 1976 dig to the north of the house in the angle of cardo III and decumanus VI, which must be brought into relationship with the Wall and street system. We propose also to carry out an intensive field survey along the Teurfel-Sour, where numerous features are visible in the eroded scarp, and in the fields north and south of it. We should like specifically to fix on the ground cardine B IV to VII east and to survey in all

visible features associated with the street system or the Theodosian Wall. APPENDIX I THE POTTERY FROM THE 1976 EXCAVATIONS by LUCINDA NEURU The second season of the Canadian Excavation at Carthage, Theodosian Wall sector, was largely devoted to the study of the pottery and other artifacts from our 1976 season. 1 Much of this first season's material naturally came from the surface or very close to it, and included everything from black glazed Campanian or locally produced imitation of it to modern ceramic drainage pipe, tile, barbed wire and bottle caps. There was an enormous amount of pottery, some layers yielding over 20 kilos, or some 5000 sherds, all of which had to be classified and recorded. Very roughly, 50% of the sherds were amphorae or larger coarse wares, 25% assorted cooking wares, 15% smaller coarse wares, and about 10% fine wares, mostly African Red Slip. Almost all finds so far date from the Roman and Byzantine periods down to the end of the seventh century, although a few glazed sherds appear to be Islamic. There were no major surprises in the types of pottery found, compared with finds from other teams, save for one piece that has already been the subject of two publications because of its iconographical interest. 2 and which was also referred to by C. M. Wells for its stratigraphical importance. 3 The piece, an African Red Slip "pilgrim flask with shaker top", dates from the late ...

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THE POTTERY FROM THE 1976 EXCAVATIONS

by LUCINDA SEARS

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