Rubble E of Wall 6
from N - roll 16, 25-28

Pottery: some coarse, some medium coarse
a little well-fired micaceous red fabric
(Roman?) (PBelamont). Much Minoan but
latest sherds Roman (prof tiles Wng, sherds
from large closed shape).

N 1/2 of Trench

The accumulation of small stones at the
W end of the trench is photographed.
The photograph, taken from N, shows the W
end of the 5 1/2 of the trench as well. The
small stones are removed.

Under the small stones are large stones,
many of them roughly squared and clearly fallen
from Wall 6. The smaller stones removed
from above them may then represent material
from the higher part of the wall. We
have now reached the same level as the
W end of the 5 1/2 of the trench where
there is also a great mass of fallen
rough and squared stones. All these stones
are in the next fill which is Brownish
red.

We remove small and rough stones which
are clearly not in place both from the
N and S halves of the trench in this
W section. The sherds from this new
level go in Pail 9

Pail 9
Under Pail 8
Brownish earth Level 2-3
Sheds
Other obsidian flakes, shells
Inc.

The absolute level of Pail 9 is at
20.47 at the W end, measuring from
the earth on which largest stones emerge
and at 20.50 m at the E end
where the ground still slopes down
steeply

20.49

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S 1/2 S of the Trench

Here white earth has been traced over the entire area E of Wall 7, with the exception of some brownish earth which continues in the SE corner and where because it goes fairly deep in a very small area we leave it undug. The following are the levels at which white earth has been reached, all to the E of Wall 4:

NW corner: 19.76 20.25
SW corner: 19.63 20.12
NE corner: 19.55 20.04
SE corner: 19.38 19.87

The SE corner, where the white earth dips down, is where much pottery, including the large pithos rim, was found yesterday. A great accumulation of shards, some quite large, is visible in the scarp of that corner.

It is decided to remove the white earth which we assume is floor material from a collapsed upper floor and assign Pail 10 to its fill.

Pail 10
Under Pail 4
Level 3
White earth
Shards
Olive, shell
Inc.

The white earth seems to continue down to some depth. A new theory is entertained that the white layer may actually be the floor associated
N 1/2 of Trench

A flimsy structure (?2 meeting walls) appears built against the E face of wall 6 (p. 84). It consists of a wall c. 2.80m long roughly N-S of which the N end meets the N end of wall 6 within this trench while the S end is some 0.50m E of wall 6. At this last point two large slabs stacked in a slanting way act as a W return of the new wall. A triangular space is thus created between wall 6 and this new (and late) wall to be referred to as wall 8. The sherds from this space go into

Pail II
Under top 2, level 2-3
Between walls 6 and 8
Sherds
Other
Inv.

The w "return" of wall 8 will be referred to as wall 8a. More of the E face of wall 6 is exposed in this narrow space. So far it goes some 0.65m down from its top surface. Its lower course project some 0.10m beyond the E face of the upper course, which I assume was pushed somewhat out of place. On a more block of wall 6 is traced further N giving us a length of c. 2.16m up to the point where it was calcified and where it exists at a much lower level.
All sherds: small. Coarse red c. 10%; medium coarse c. 30%; rest fine ware. Latest sherds LIII B/C (tiny stirrup jar sherd with rows of chevrons)

5 1/2 ft of the trench

with Wall 6. A probe is made in the SW corner, i.e. between the S section of Wall 6 and the S scarp of the trench. Sherds from the probe go in:

Pail 12: - probe 1: level 4 earth floor
Under Pail 10
Sherds: other

Inw.

The probe is 0.85 m x 0.65 m. As we go down the fill looses its character gradually: first pure white earth, very few sherds here. At the bottom of the probe we reach a pebble pavement. Near the wall it is at 19.24, further E at 19.18.19.67. These levels are taken by G. Bianco who also takes the top of the white earth layer, a marker of which was left at the middle of and against the E face of wall 4. This is at 19.20.15. A fill, basically of white earth from existing soil between the upper and lower floors.

After collecting any sherds lying on the white surface, including a large rim from a pithos, some 1.50 m from the SE corner of the trench we discontinue using Pail 10.

We decide to dig out all the white earth (with the exception of the small marker) and to expose the lower floor. The sherds go into the Pail of the probe: Pail 12.
Excavation continued in both halves of the Trench. In the S 1/2, while earth is removed using Pail 12, In the N 1/2 we are still in an upper layer, brownish, which extends uniformly throughout this section. We continue here with Pail 9.

SL 2 of Trench

Some 0.10 - 0.15 m above the level of the pebble floor, exposed in a probe yesterday, we change Pail for the area E of Wall T. The fill now is that immediately under the white earth. It is brownish with some admixture of white.

Both in the white layer and in the fill there are the occasional small slabs or small stones. In the N and NE edges of the Trench there are some larger stones, some standing some lying flat.

Pail 13 Level A
0.10/0.15 m above pebble floor
Under Pail 12
Sherds
Other
Invent.

More large stones are found elsewhere in the area as we dig down.

It appears that the white earth here was used both as a levelling fill and for the floor. Its thickness varies considerably depending on what was already there on the pebble floor (small stones, accumulated earth). At a point near the center of Wall T, where we left a marker, it reaches the considerable depth of c. 0.90 m, i.e., from all the way down to the floor. The surface there is very much

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5,400 gr. 15% coarse red; 20% red-coarse; rest fine ware. Latest sherds XM III B (painted cups). Bowl decorated with shell chain.

\[ N \frac{1}{2} \text{ of Tranch} = 20.83 \]

At level 20.34 m at the W end and 19.83 m at the E end we change into a new Pail, although the fill remains the same. 20.32

Pail 14
Under Pail 9 Level 3
Brownish earth Sherds
Other: Large bag of limpets, group of insuls
Inv.

At a point 1.60m W of the E scarp and c. 0.60 from the S scarp to the E scarp a large group of limpets was found next to a rough small stone. Further W we start tracing the extension of wall F.
S ½ of Trench (cont'd)

Like that found in the E section of Trench 4A2. The surface there is right to the E of a N-S wall which lines up with our wall 7. It is thought that it may be a street surface. The same may apply in the case of 5B and we thought then there the S extension of the same street.

Photograph is taken before the fallen stones and slabs are removed. A stone food grinder or water tank (storage) has appeared some 0.6m E of wall 7 and 0.25m from the S scarp. Its depth at the top is c. 0.18m. It narrows towards the bottom. Its depth is c. 0.19m.

We remove the stones. The stones look as if they fell from the NE area and in a southeasterly direction. They could be from collapsed walls. One of them is a fragmentary, nearly squared slab, which could be from a floor.
Excavation continued with Trench 14.

Wall 7 is found to have a west return which will be designated as wall 9. The grey fill we found in the west section of the S 1/2 of the trench petered out toward the N. A thin layer of it was found over some of the S face stones of wall 9. The grey fill then apparently accumulated after wall 9 was in a ruinous condition. Wall 9 is wider than wall 7, the former 0.65m the latter 0.55m.

At the E1 section of wall 9 where wall 8 appeared right up and to its S there is a small area not covered by large stones. At the top there is a bit of brown earth and immediately under it appears the grey fill again slightly covering one of the top preserved stones of wall 9. The sherd's from this grey fill go into Trench 15.

Trench 15 from c. 20.00 to 19.87
Under Trench 14 S of W end of wall 9
Grey fill Level 3
Sherd's:
Other: None
Inv. C113; C114; C115

At level 19.87 we stop using Trench 15 for the area is too small to continue digging in depth. Grey fill continues deeper down. Excavation here will be resumed once the stones E of wall 6 have been drawn and removed. The sherd's here are in a partially part of the layer represented by Trench 14. Here again are small bones.
16,410 gr. Many large sherds, espec. of coarse ware. 30% coarse red; 35% medium; 35% fine. Many decorated sherds; latest LH III B.

C 119 bowl, plain ware (LM III B?)
C 120 sherd, decor. (stem jar?) + joins
C 121 sherd decor. cup or bowl

Pail 16 from west end of area N of wall 9
2,030 grs. Latest LM IA/IB (2 one-handled goblets)
C 124 one-handled goblet
C 125 one-handled goblet

N 1/2 of Trench (cont'd.)

Pail 14 is replaced by Pail 16 in the area N9 and N8 of wall 9. The level here is 20.00 mn at the W end, 19.78 mn at the E end, 20.49

Pail 16 Level 3
Under Pail 14 - Brownish earth
Shards
Other: Limpet shells (large group, goes in Pail 16)
Inv: C 119, C 120, C 121, C 124, C 125

A great number of limpet shells continues to be found in the same location noted yesterday. They are placed in a bag under the designation of Pail 14.

A number of sherds, and fragmentary pots have appeared at the W end of the trench and at the top of the layer which we are now excavating with Pail 16.

The limpets are so many that it becomes impossible to collect them individually. Instead we earth them where they come is silted and they are collected mass. The northern extension of wall 7 begins to emerge in the N4 of Pail 16.

As we dig down it becomes apparent that wall 8, as suspected is a very superficial one. At maximum 2 courses are preserved consisting of small blocks. They are lying in a slanting position as if caught in the process of collapse. Wall 9 must penetrate under wall 8 and meet at right angles with wall 6. Numerous large fallen stones and slabs appear at their level over the entire area.

The sherd mentioned above lie in between these stones and in one case the base of a vessel occurs under one of the slabs. Like stones at the W end of the trench we leave pottery and stones in place and clear earth around them.
What seems like a small styli appears in the fill near the W end of the trench, right below wall B.

A photograph is taken so that the various fallen stones can be removed. The great accumulation exists N of wall 9 and along the entire width (E-W) of our trench. A few are along the line of demarcation between S and N halves. Two large blocks lie up in a N-S direction near the NE corner of the trench and seem to belong to wall 5 of trench 4 A 2 further N, but have preserved at a higher level.

Stones slowly being removed.

S 1/2 of Trench

The floor of pebble and lime continues to be cleared. The last layer of dirt peels off very easily as there are roots and between it and the floor. The floor has sunk considerably beyond level 4 and has been partially destroyed by the E of the stone basin. The sherd from the cavities go into:

Pail 17A Level 4
below pebble floor - under Pail 13
Sherds
Other
In v.

Pail 17A - The number 17 was mistakenly used twice. The A in this designation is to distinguish this Pail from Pail 417 of p. 101. There is no possibility of confusion for the location "below pebble floor" was on the label.
**Wall 7** was shown to continue northwards in the trench in the same N-S direction up to the point where it meets wall 7**.

There is a large, rectangular block at this junction but beyond it the construction becomes very sloppy, consisting of small and larger, mostly irregular stones. This section of the wall which we shall designate as 7a, seems to curve somewhat and to turn slightly westwards. It is some 0.40 m wide in contrast to the c.0.55 m of wall 7, we excavate the areas W and E of wall 7a separately. The former area is defined by wall 9 to the S; wall 7 and 7a to the E. At this level (c. 19.94 in the w scoop) the earth in this area has become very soft, in consistence very much like the grey fill of the S**½ of the trench, S of wall 9 and E of wall 7 but its colour is different, a brownish grey. Shards from there go with w of wall 7 and 7a.

**Pail 14**

*From c. 19.94 = 20.46*

- Under Pail 14, level 3
- Brownish grey, soft fill
- Shards
- Other: small bones, sample of poppy head
- In c. 120, 154, 155, 156

In the area E of wall 7 and 7a the same earth continues, ie brownish we expect to trace more of the white earth floor here. Starting at level c.19.75 we collect sherds in Pail 18.

*In clearing earth from the w face of wall 7 later on it was found to continue at least for two other blocks N of where it meets wall 9.*
1,440 qrs. (c. 150 sherds) Latest LM IA/B
(painted cups)

Pail 18 Fm c. 19.75
Under Pail 16 level 3 (W. of wall 7)
Brownish earth
Sherds
Other
Inc.

As noted earlier part of a wall which seems like the S extension of Wall 5 of Trench 4A2 is exposed in the NE area of the trench.
Some small bones are found in the fill of Pail 17. As we dig down in the area of this pail an accumulation of large stones appears at c. 19.80. Some look definitely fallen but two slab-like ones near the N scarp could also be from a collapsed staircase?

In the area E of wall 7a there is a line of stones in an E-W orientation which may be a wall. They are at the level of the N end of wall 7a which they meet at a right angle. As we dig down (using Pail 18) we trace the N part of the white earth floor, previously found and dug in the S of the trench and E of wall 7. Pail 18 is discontinued at this point. We decide to leave the E-W line of stones in situ and to dig through the white floor levels of white earth floor:

at SW: 19.685
SE: 19.623
NW: 19.57
NE: near wall 5 = 19.59
In the area W of Wall 4a and N of Wall 9 Pail 17 is discontinued at the level of the fallen stones c. 19.30/19.75. We photograph the N 1/2 of the trench showing the level of the fallen stones to the W and the whole area of the floor to the E.

For the sherd(s) from under the walled floor we assign them in the area E of Wall 7a. We use:

Pail 19 level 4
Under Pail 18
White earth floor
Shards
Other
Invo.

We start cleaning the earth from the W scarp, earth left undug under Wall B. To our surprise the face of a wall, beautifully built of rectangular blocks, appears slanting westwards as it goes down, in other words a half collapsed wall of which the masonry has held together. The sherd(s) from this cleaning operation, i.e. from level 26.3, below Wall 6 to level 19.755 i.e. the level of the fallen stones of Pail 14 go into:

Pail 20 level 2-3
20.23 From 19.34 to 19.755 = 20.24
Brownish greyish (with a bit of the brownish from above) i.e. with possible contamination of shells; bones
Other
Invo. C157; C158; C159; C120; C160

The collapsed wall has a slightly different orientation than Wall 8 above it. More N-W. Its slant at the level.
reached level at 1975 is 0.43 m W from an horizontal line dropped from its keening top.

To understand what happened here and the relationships of walls 5, 8 and the collapsed wall we resume investigation along the entire W edge of the trench in both S and N halves. G. Blanco makes a plan of the remains including stones which may be fallen. Elevations are taken and various locations of the trench including the W end photographed. Wall 9 preserved at a maximum of two 'thin' courses is dismantled (some fourteen stones, altogether) and other slab-like stones further S are taken out. The stones from the earth around removed stones (brownish fill) are collected in Pail 21 which has no clear stratigraphic value.

Pail 21
Level 3
Clearing around removed stones
Shafts
Other shell
Inv: C120

For the sherds which belong to the greyish-brownish fill (equivalent to 20) from N of wall 9 we assign

Rm J = Pail 22 level 3 N of wall 9
greyish-brownish fill
Shafts
Other shells; bone
Inv: C164; C163; C120

Rm K = S of wall 9 we continue digging the brownish earth into Pail 21 till we reach the greyish fill. For this fill starting at level c. 20.15 S of wall 9 we assign

C164 cooking pan ("baking dish")
C163 cup
C120 sherds from the shrimps jar
8,310 g. Est. 650-750 shado;

separately numbered items

Pot 1. C170 conical cup plain
2. C171 conical cup, band at rim
   and dribble design
3. C172, cup, plain
4. C173, conical cup, plain
5. 2 sherds (2 vessels) LMI style

Catalogued: C174 = cup

C170 C171 C173
1:2 1:2 1:2

Paint on below rim

C174 1:2

Design on bowl or cup

Pail 23

Some pt. patterns

S 1/4 of Trench
Fallen stones E of
Wall E - from E
Roll 16

Pail 23 Level 3

Rem K = Under Pail 21 - S of wall 9,
Greyish fill
Shards: Latest LMI B. Heavily incised pottery
Other, black, bit of bronze
Insp. C170, C171, C172, C173, C174

As we dig in the fill of Pail 23 we find more of the fused matter and incised sherd’s found earlier in connection with Pail 4 (p. 59). Also small bones

we discontinue using Pail 22 when we reach the level marked earlier in the rest of the area N of wall 9 and W of wall 7a, at c. 19.80 (= bottom of Pail 17, see pp. 101, 103).

At this level the W extension of wall 9 is revealed, meeting wall 6 at a right angle.

The tilted wall, it becomes clear, is actually part of wall 6. The reasons why it may have been tilted so really, it seems is that it was not bonded with wall 6. Its construction is of a better quality than the rest of wall 6 of which most of the E face is gradually being exposed.
Excavation continues in two areas: in Rm K the SW area (S of wall 9, W of wall 7) and in the NE area (E of wall 7 and 9, in N \( \frac{1}{2} \) of trench), in the former with Pail 23, in the latter with Pail 19 (under which each floor).

**SW area = Rm K**

The grey fill continues with all its typical characteristics: very soft earth, many painted sherds, some incised sherds, small bones.

At level c. 20.15 a line of blocks appears at the SW corner of the area, meeting wall 6 at a right angle.

In the angle thus formed and further E there are several rough fallen stones.

0.60 m E from wall 6 and 0.10 m S of wall 9, a complete conical cup is found at level c. 20.00. This will be labelled as vessel 1 under Pail 23 (C170).

Another complete (but broken) conical cup is found 0.60 E of wall 6 and right next to the N face of the new wall (10) which meets wall 6 at right angles. The second vessel (2) is found roughly at the same level. A third cup (badly broken) (C172) is under one of the fallen stones (3).

A fourth cup (4) is some 1.60 m E of wall 6 and right next to wall 9 (C173). This last vessel is some 0.17 m lower than the rest. In the narrow gap between wall 10 and the S scarp of the trench a beautiful sherd with tortoise-shell-ripple and lunulae pattern with added white appears. This is labelled (5).

Photograph of fallen stones in talus.

Roll 19: SW area of trench - from S

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Wall 5 is found to have an E return (= wall 11). Wall 5 in Trench 5B is 1.93 m long N-S, c. 0.55 m wide. It is some 0.30 m W of the E scarp of the trench, so that wall 11 is only traced for 0.92 m, measuring from the W corner. Wall 5 has the same orientation as the section of wall 5 in Trench 4A towards the N-S orientation, slightly E of N. The orientation of the rest of wall 5 in Trench 4A is more N-S and parallel to walls 7 and wall 6. The line of the narrow stonework noted yesterday along the N scarp is found to be over earth and is removed at level 19.41 and in between walls 7 and 5 there is a pavement of slabs terminating at the line of the corner of walls 5 and 10 with a threshold block cut down at its S side some 0.05 m. In the lower surface of the cutting of the W corner of a rectangular cutting 0.125 W X 0.08 N-S, clearly a pivot hole. It is some 0.035 m deep from the lower surface of the block and 0.08 m from the higher surface. Arcaded grooves to the E of the rectangular cutting indicate wear from the door which would be pulled against the E face of wall 4 when open. A smaller stone is laid horizontally over the threshold with small stone under it to raise it level. It may indicate a higher level reached from the threshold from the earlier slab floor. A rectangular block a little further N and placed over the slabs may be another remnant of the earlier, higher floor (?) (this entrance way is photographed).
6,490 gr. Est. 700 sherds - most sherds very small; coarse red 8%, medium coarse 20%, rest fine. Much LMIII and LMIIIA latest sherds. 

Cf. Chalcolithic Annuar, 29-30, p. 146

Linear patterns on the inside

C 227
LMIIA Pail 24

more frags. in Pail 28 + 29

Rmk 24 - S of wall 9 - Level 3

Rmk. under Pail 23 from 19.90 - 19.76

Grey fill

Shards

Owen (small bones); sample of charcoal; sample 2mm. C 227 from fused material from shell, stone tools, sample of hard whitish surface.

As we dig down we find a darker fill next to wall 9 and 6. In it are chunks of burnt matter (sample kept). Small bones and incrustations pottery continues. Rough stones appearing slanting or vertically in the fill indicate that the floor level has not been reached yet.

The fill becomes irregular quite dark in the NW corner - a little lighter and still grey closer to wall 10 and finally, there is a patch of harsh whitish surface along the E edge (sample kept). The top of this surface is that of the top of Pail 24, at c. 19.90. We leave this surface untouched and continue digging in the soft fill. Earth is being sifted.

Evidence of intense fire abounds in the NW corner and along the S face of wall 9. There are lumps of burnt earth with coalesced material and much charcoal in some. Samples with charcoal are kept.

At level 24 19.76 we discontinue using Pail 24. The earth under the harsh whitish surface along the E edge of the area seems to be similar to that found elsewhere here. It is decided to tear that surface down (starting at 19.90) and dig down to the level cont'd p. 121.
7,500 grs. Est. 250 sherds, coarse red c. 30%; red-coarse 25%; rest fine ware; many sherds painted. Some sherd large, later sherds LMIIIB

516 Fragm. bird's nest bowl (in Pail 29)
C122 Figurine base?
C226 Painted kylix

Pail 25 (2 pails) Rm J - Level 3
Under Pails 19+22. From c. 19.65.
Grey fill brown wall sherds.
Other: Fragment stone vase, stone tools, bone, shells

In 20.14

Some 0.90m E of wall 6 will remain undug to avoid a total collapse of the N end filled end of W 6.
2 pails of sherds are soon filled: area packed with pottery. At level 19.53 a new pail is designed to this area.

Pail 24 Level 3
Under Pail 25. From 19.53 =
Northeast of Wall 9 - Grey fill 20.02
Shards; Latest LMIII B
Other Shell

The earth has been getting progressively lighter in tone here and at level 19.44m we seem to reach a more hard-packed layer and stop using Pail 24. Excavation in this area terminates here. A rectangular space left vacant runs through the entire thickness of wall 9 (to be described later).

This season. It is decided that this space here will be excavated further when the baulk between Trenches 5B and 4A2 is removed down to Pail Level.
One more pavement slab \(0.87 \times 0.48\) (at max. dim.) lies also horizontally S of the threshold. Beyond it there is a bit of dirt and then some 3 stones lined up roughly E-W. The stones have the same orientation with the slab but not with the threshold block. Right to the E of them is a stone gorpa. This line of stones may have served as a step leading up from the pebble paved floor to the entrance to the N. The gorpa has a cavity some \(0.15\) m in depth and is quite shallow. The block into which the cavity was dug has been left quite rough.

A little greyish earth occurred just above the stone slabs.

The area W of wall 5, E of 7 and 7a and N of the threshold can be designated as \(\text{Rm H}\). The area S of wall 11 and the threshold as \(\text{Rm M}\) and the area E of wall 5 and N of 71 as \(\text{Rm P}\). The area between walls 13 and 4 is "\(\text{Rm Q}\)."

S of walls 5 and 11 and at the N limit of the line of pebble floor there is a line of stones, which may have provided at some point a transition between the lower floor and that of slabs to the N of the entrance way. One of these stones is actually a quern with a rough outline, \(0.32\) m max. W (E-W) and \(0.16\) m (N-S). Its hole some \(0.18\) m wide is quite shallow.