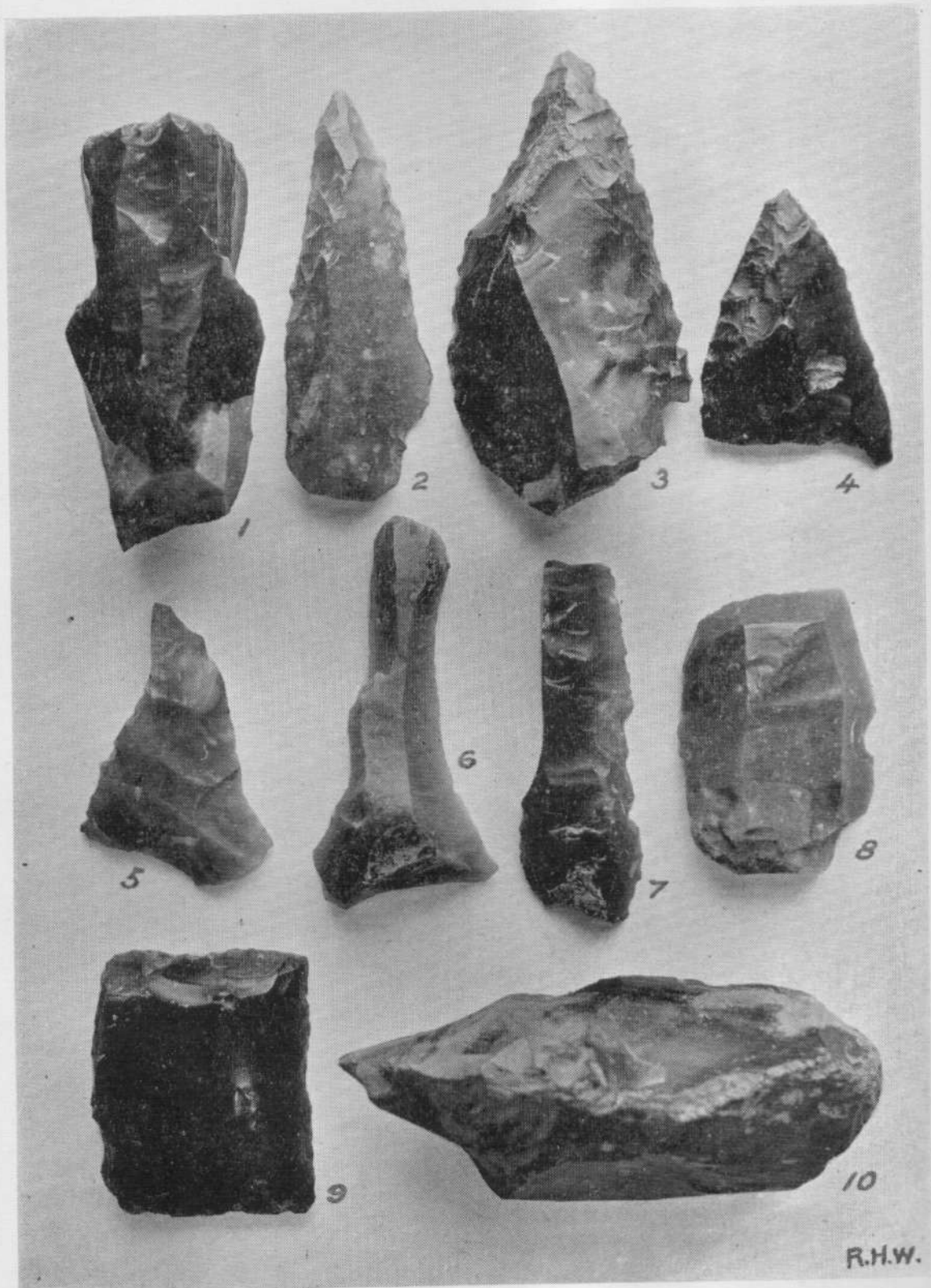


PLATE XIII



FLINTS FROM NEAR TORRINGTON.  
(Actual size).

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There is one name which has for many years past been regularly included in this Report, and its absence now, for the first time, creates a great blank—I allude to the late friend and helper of many of us present here to-day—Richard Pearse Chope. I will say no more, but I feel that I cannot let this Report pass without recording my personal testimony of the loss to this Association and its various activities.

### ARCHÆOLOGY.

#### FLINTS FROM NEAR TORRINGTON.

The flints here described were found, with one exception, by Mr. W. Sparks, of Torrington, on the land from which he obtained the flints described in the 39th Report, *Trans. Dev. Assoc.* vol. lxxv. Also, with one exception, they are of material which may well have been obtained from the deposit near Orleigh Court.

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FIG. 1. Of sepia-tinted flint, rather dark with distinctly lighter mottling. A core, the useful possibilities of which have been exhausted.

FIG. 2. Colour, pale buff. Carefully worked to a point, with close secondary chipping on both right and left edges. Either a tool or the point of a weapon.

FIG. 3. Translucent ochreous flint, worked to a point, with secondary chipping on both edges. By an incident of the lighting the work looks less regular in the photograph than in the original. Either a tool or the point of a weapon.

FIG. 4. Dark grey flint, translucent at edge, with brown shade. Left-hand edge worked its whole length, the right-hand edge worked near the point only. As last.

FIG. 5. Grey flint, no secondary chipping.

FIG. 6. Warm buff colour, no secondary working.

FIG. 7. Grey flint, no secondary chipping, but right-hand edge worn and notched.

FIG. 8. Pale brown flint; the resemblance to a gun-flint is most probably accidental.

FIG. 9. Black, a genuine gun-flint; a stranger in the land.

FIG. 10. Mottled olive-brown; the right end much bruised and rounded; a fabricator.

#### PLATE XIV.

FIG. 1. A collection of chips, some of which, if found alone, would probably risk being identified as "pigmy implements." But with certain classes of flint such chips are necessary waste from manufacture, and may be found wherever such flint has been worked in prehistoric times.

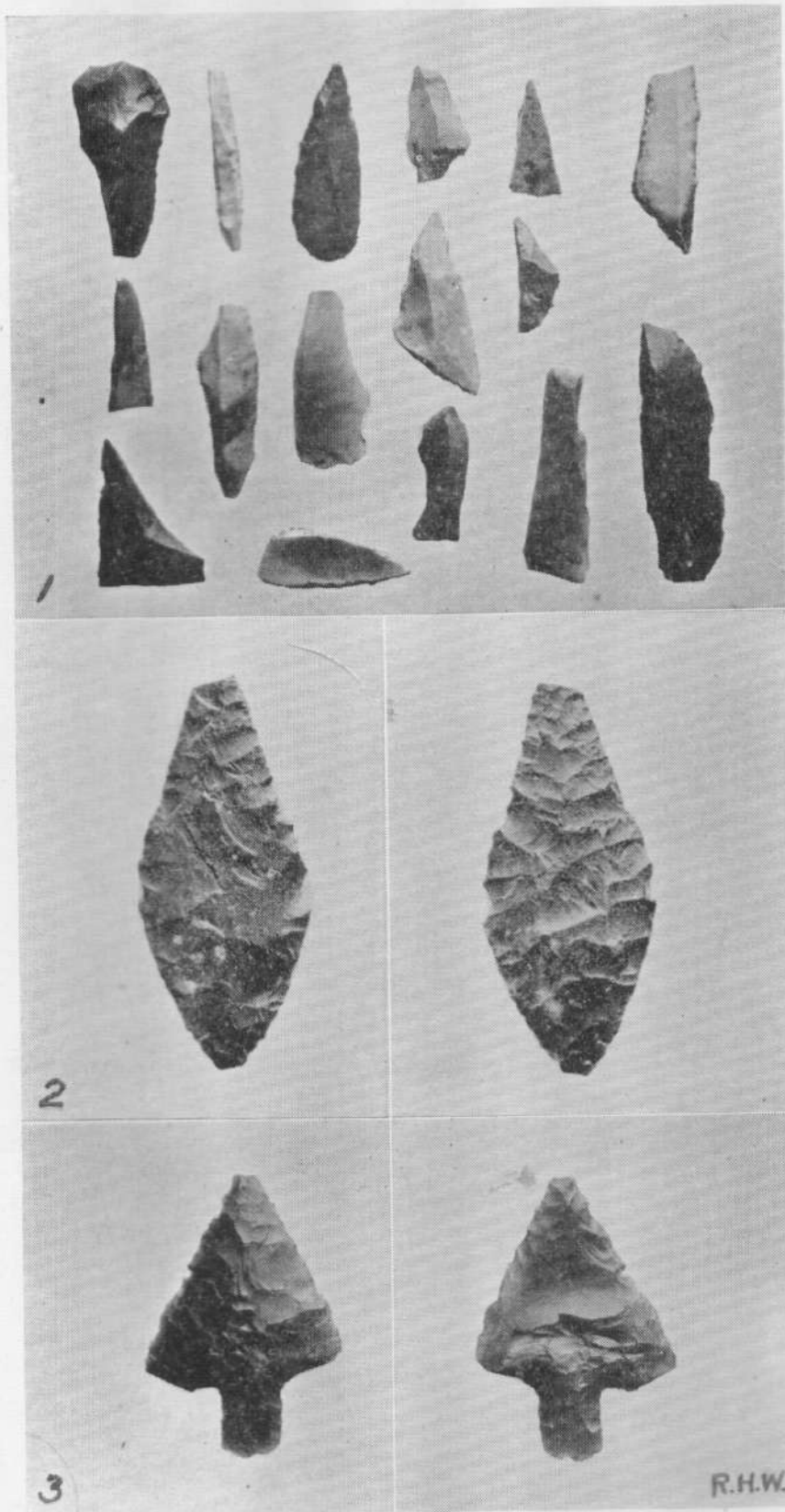
FIG. 2. Both sides of a leaf-shaped arrow-head, with a marked tendency to the lozenge form. Secondary chipping on both faces, but less on that shewn to the left, which was originally the flat surface. A very skilful piece of work. the greatest thickness is 3.36 m.m. and the weight is but 31 grains, although the length, without the extreme point, which has been lost, is over an inch and a half. It fully compares with a similar head from *Alton Down*, described by EVANS, one and a half inches long, and weighing 30 grains. The Torrington example is in mottled olive-brown flint.

FIG. 3. Both sides of a very small barbed and stemmed arrow-head, in rich amber flint. Secondary chipping on both sides, but on the face shewn to the left, the other face having been the original flat side of the chip. A very delicate object; greatest thickness 4.23 m.m., weight 13 grains.

All illustrations are natural size.

A buff-grey flake was found by Mr. G. M. Doe in his garden at Enfield, Torrington. Good evidence of primary chipping, but no secondary chipping; a worked flake. This is not illustrated.

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