

TWENTY-SEVENTH REPORT OF THE BARROW COMMITTEE.

TWENTY-SEVENTH REPORT of the Committee—consisting of the Rev. S. Baring-Gould, Dr. Brushfield, Mr. R. Burnard, Mr. J. Brooking-Rowe, Rev. J. F. Chanter, and Mr. R. Hansford Worth (Secretary)—appointed to collect and record facts relating to Barrows in Devonshire, and to take steps, where possible, for their investigation.

Edited by R. HANSFORD WORTH, Secretary of the Committee.

(Read at Newton Abbot, 28th July, 1908.)

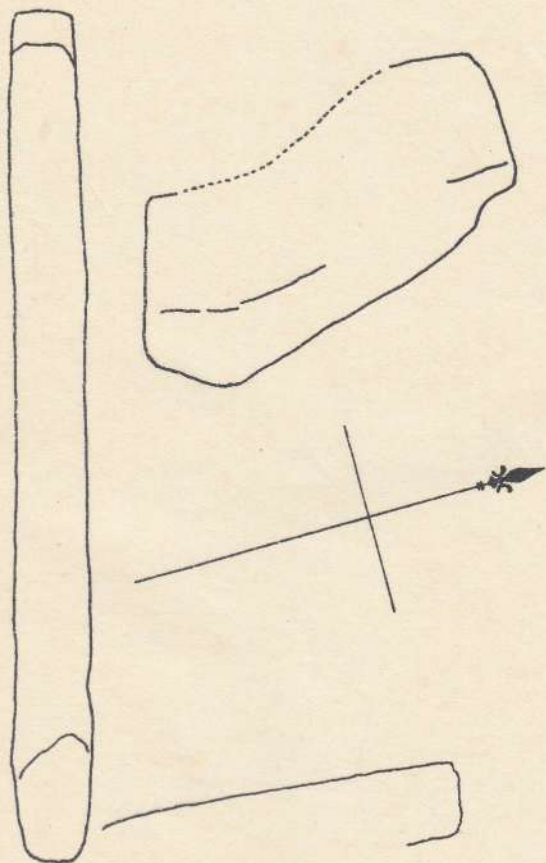
By the death of Mr. P. F. S. Amery your Committee has suffered the loss of an esteemed and valued colleague, to whose wide knowledge and kindly assistance its work has been deeply indebted. Mr. Amery joined the Committee in the year 1883, and continued a member until his death.

So entirely dependent is your Committee's work upon favourable conditions of weather, that a wet summer always means a meagre Report in the following year. Upon the present occasion it has been necessary that the Secretary fall back on his reserve and publish surveys made some years ago in anticipation of such a contingency.

KISTVAENS ON ROYAL HILL, PRINCETOWN.

Ordnance Survey, Devon, CVII. S.W.—In the area covered by this sheet there are seven known kistvaens; of these two in Fox Tor Newtake were discovered and examined by Mr. R. Burnard, and measured by the Secretary. The results have been published in a previous Report. There remain five, four of which are marked on the ordnance survey, and plans of which accompany this Report. The fifth lies in Joan Ford's newtake, and has been recently discovered by Mr. R. Burnard.

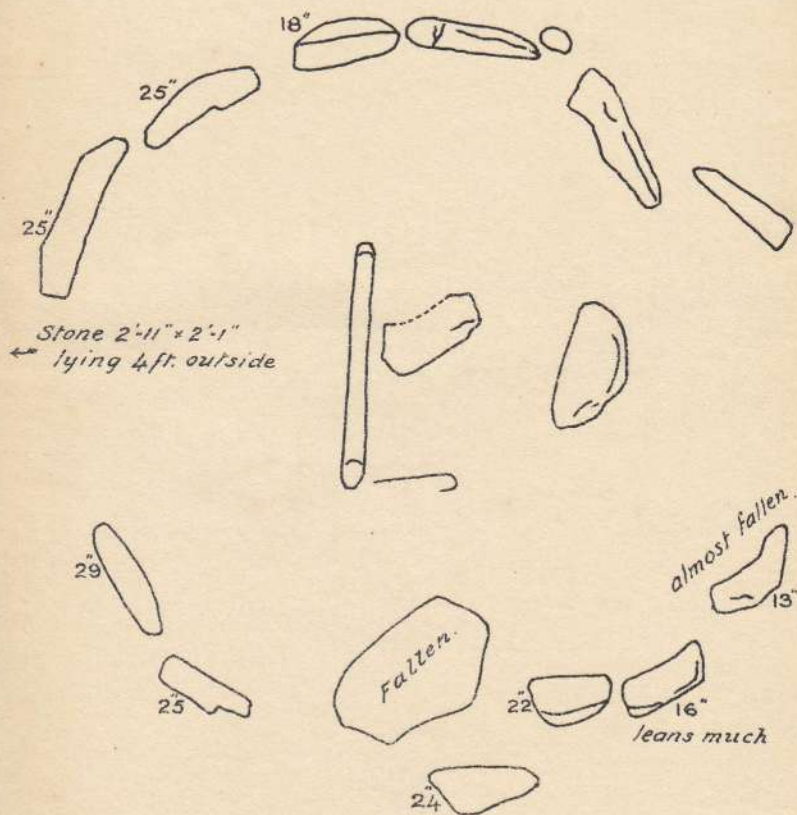
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lat. $50^{\circ}-31'-53\frac{1}{2}''$



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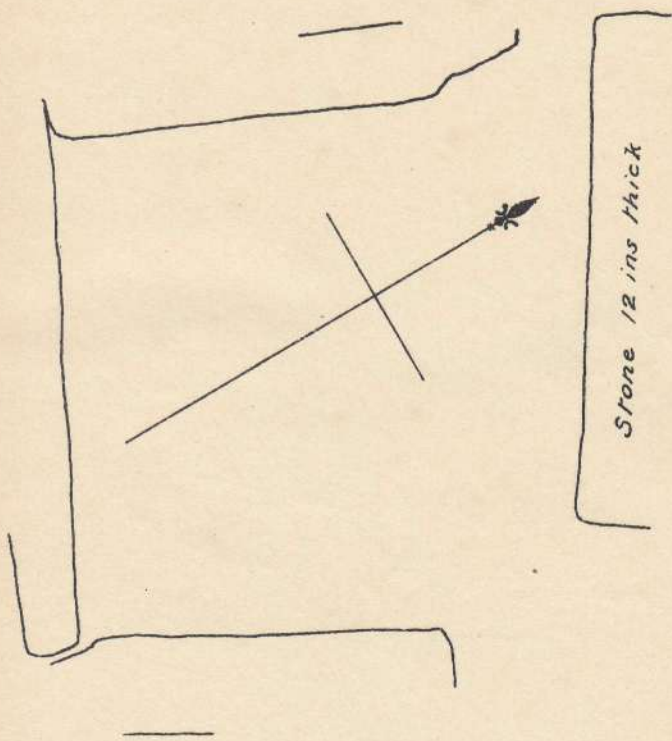
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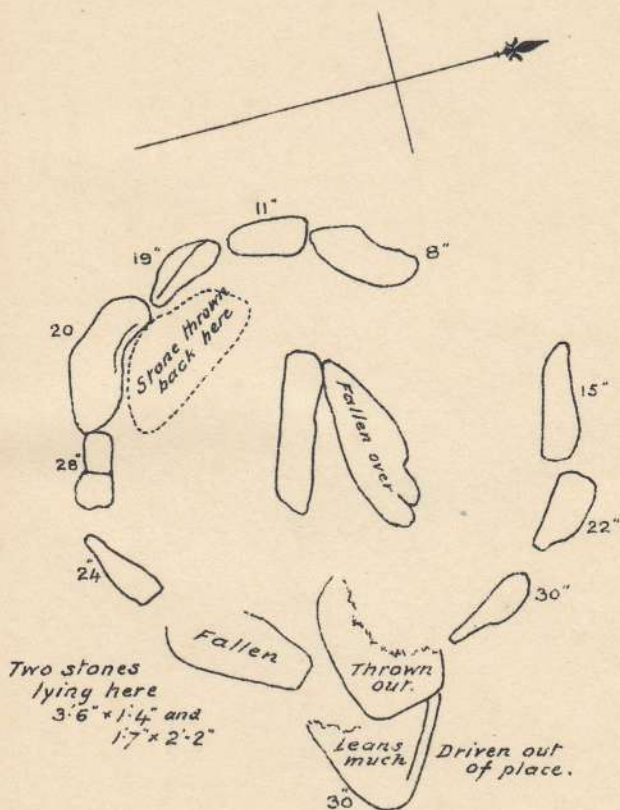
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Scale 1 inch to 1 foot

J. H. Worth
21 May 1905.

ROYAL HILL
 NORTHERNMOST
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Scale 1 inch to 4 feet.

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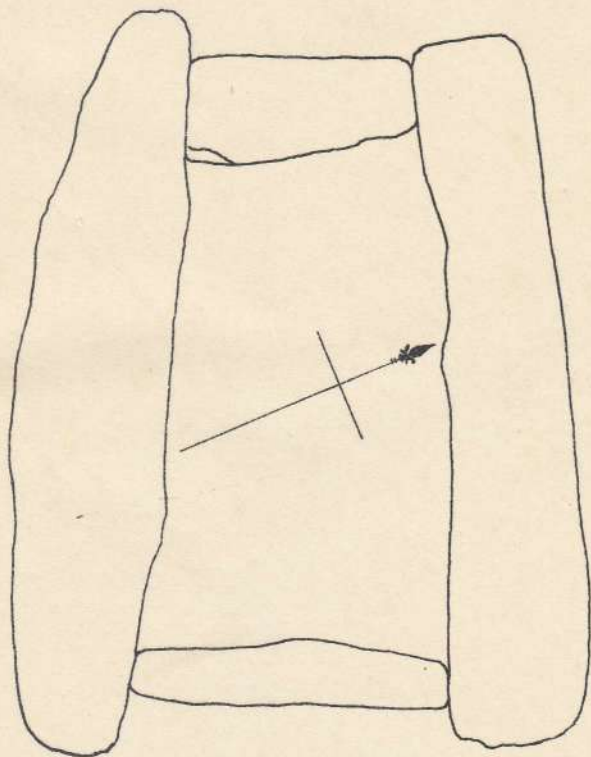
ROYAL HILL

BY TRACK

CVII. S.W.

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21 May 1905.

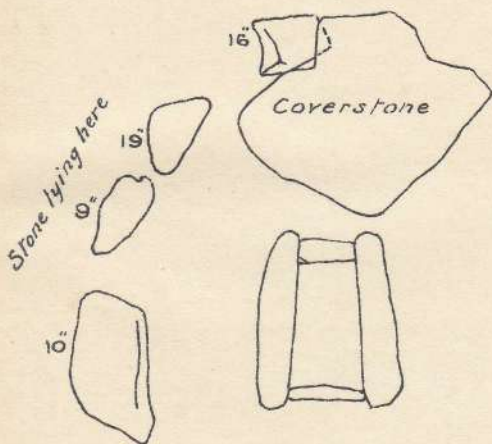
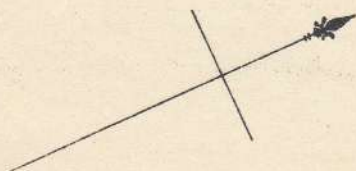
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21 May 1905

Three kistvaens lie on the eastern slope of Royal Hill, the southernmost in long. $3^{\circ} 56' 50''$, lat. $50^{\circ} 31' 53\frac{1}{2}''$, the next in long. $3^{\circ} 56' 47\frac{1}{2}''$, lat. $50^{\circ} 32' 1\frac{3}{4}''$, the northernmost in long. $3^{\circ} 56' 46\frac{1}{2}''$, lat. $50^{\circ} 32' 4\frac{3}{4}''$. A line N. $11^{\circ} 35'$ E. would pass through all three. Each has at some time been opened, and each is surrounded by a circle of stones.

Of the southernmost kistvaen one side stone and both end stones remain in place; the present depth is 2 ft. 6 ins., the exact length and width cannot now be ascertained. The direction of length is N. $79^{\circ} 15'$ W. The internal diameter of the circle around the kist is about 15 ft.

Of the middle kistvaen one side and both ends remain in place, the other side stone has been thrown somewhat outward. The length is 2 ft. 8 ins. and the average width was probably a little over 2 ft.

The direction of length is N. $57^{\circ} 30'$ W. Surrounding this kistvaen is an incomplete circle of stones of about 17 ft. diameter, and much like the retaining circle of a barrow.

Of the northernmost kistvaen the two sides alone remain, and these have fallen together; the direction of length may have been about N. $76^{\circ} 40'$ W. One end stone can be identified as having been thrown out against the stones of the surrounding circle, which has an internal diameter of about 9 ft.

On the north slope of Royal Hill and near the track from Bull Park and Swincombe, is another kistvaen, lying in long. $3^{\circ} 57' 28''$, lat. $50^{\circ} 32' 25''$. This is a very perfect example, all four sides being in place. The length is 2 ft. 6 ins., and the average width 1 ft. 5 ins. The coverstone lies inside of and touching the surrounding circle, which is now incomplete, but had a probable diameter of 10 ft. The direction of length of the kist is N. $65^{\circ} 10'$ E.

One hundred and ten feet due east from this kistvaen is a barrow not shown on the ordnance survey.

Since the preparation of this report your Committee has to mourn the loss of Mr. J. Brooking-Rowe, the last survivor of the original members of the Committee and its chairman from the commencement in 1878. Mr. Brooking-Rowe's assistance has been most valuable, and his place can never probably be adequately filled.