

Egypt, and Pliny (xxxvi. 1 and 14) mentions its use in classical times, while, in sculptures in the Roman catacombs, we see the sculptor's journeyman hard at work drilling the sides of Roman sarcophagi of stone.

Small objects, as pestles, polishers, and drill-sockets, were made of this stone. I have one of the latter with the depression for receiving the drill finely polished by long use.

6. VARIOUS STONES AND GLASSES.

The following occur in the collections which I made in Egypt, and in specimens presented to the Peter Redpath Museum by the Egypt Exploration Fund.

Talcose schist and *talc rock*, images of Osiris, moulds for casting small objects.

Serpentine, scarabs, images of Osiris or ushebti, small vase.

Chlorite schist, a small figure of Osiris.

Argillite or *clay slate*, small figures or charms of various kinds, spear or knife.

Red carnelian, beads and seals.

Agate, peculiar variety of moss agate with circular ferruginous markings, also various agates and jaspers, some rudely shaped, others finely worked as beads, &c.

White milky quartz, fragment of circular object.

Green jasper, cubical bead, with angles truncated.

Amethyst, beads and ornaments.

Flint, knives, scrapers, piercers, arrow-heads. All are of the kinds of flint common in the Eocene limestones.

Garnet, beads in carbuncle and rosy varieties.

Lapis lazuli, scarab, Otus eye, bead, &c.

Steatite, small figures of animals, &c.

Hematite, black and finely-polished Otus eye.

Labradorite, oval button or knob, broken at base.

Fluor spar, purple beads.

Porphyry, red and other colours in various small objects.

Fuchsite, or chromiferous green variety of mica schist, a rude fragment, possibly used for inlaying. This rock is found in the Tyrol, and in Maine, in the U.S. of America. No Egyptian locality is known. The specimen came from Naukratis.

Mica schist, perhaps a whetstone, also fragments unworked.

Turquoise, a ring stone.

Emerald or *beryl*, in beads.

The precise dates of these objects are of course unknown, but they were obtained mostly by Arabs from old Egyptian