Description of Figures.

Fig. 1. Partially cut boulder of brownish, opaque jade, found in an excavation at Yale by Mr. T. Eales.

Fig. 2. Portion of a boulder of green, mottled, sub-translucent jade obtained from the Indians at Lytton by Rev. Mr. Good. The figure shows the surfaces of two deep sawn-cuts, with a rough intervening projection where the stone has eventually been broken.

Fig. 2 *b*. Section of the same specimen at right angles to the last, showing depth and gaping character of the saw-cuts.

Fig. 3. Selvage piece, probably cut from the edge of an adze, ground flat on two sides, and sawn from back and front at both edges. Pale green translucent jade from old Indian graves near Lytton.

Fig. 4. Front and edge views of a small adze, showing saw-cuts from front and back nearly meeting, and a narrow intervening broken rib. Jade nearly identical in appearance with the last, and from the same place.

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EXTRACTS FROM A PAPER BY PROF. A. B. MEYER, ON NEPHRITE AND ANALOGOUS MINERALS FROM ALASKA.

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"The hypothesis has been contended for, principally by Prof. Heinrich Fischer of Freiburg in Baden, and has even recently maintained, that the rough material for the nephrite and jadeite implements which have been found throughout America, is of Asiatic origin. I opposed that hypothesis in my work, 'Jadite und Nephrit-Objecte,' (1882-83) and in my essay, 'Die Nephritfrage, kein ethnologisches Problem,' (1882-83), taking for my ground general arguments which, however, forced irresistible conclusions upon me, and in particular I had, by induction, become convinced of the presence, in America, of the required rough material.

" Meanwhile, sooner than I could have expected, the discoveries of later travellers have brought to light facts which establish the occurrence of rough nephrite at least, in Northwest America; consequently, the theory of importation of *this* material falls to the ground, as far as it refers to impor-