

so placed shows that these articles must have belonged to the tribe, and must have been obtained in the way of trade.

Third: In addition to implements of war, or agriculture, or the material for their manufacture, we frequently find many articles of a tender nature, such as shells, mica, etc., and which would, from their composition, be destroyed by the rough usage they would naturally be subjected to if transported by any other means than by man.

In the second division, I have just shewn that from the positions in which the various articles have been found, they must have been placed in these positions by man; that no geological changes of any known description could have so placed them.

I will now try and shew you that from the very nature of the articles themselves man must have carried them from place to place in a very careful manner, and accordingly must have valued them highly.

All savage or rude peoples delight in ornamenting themselves; even the lowest classes of humanity are not without vanity in this direction.

Savage peoples are vain of the personal appearance, and whatever may be the standard of their ideal, they are ready to undergo any amount of what, to us, would appear inconvenience, and suffer acute pain to produce the desired effect. Thus we find the different peoples of the present uncivilized world fond of finery. Searching after his ideal beauty, we find the native of the Hermit group decorating himself with bracelets of large seashells, ornaments of a similar character around his neck and in his ears, piercing the septum of his nose, and suspending from it the teeth of a dog, or running a long piece of bone through it from side to side; hanging human arm bones covered with feathers down his back, and painting himself in various colors. Again, we find the native of New Guinea staining his hair with red powder, adorning his flat nose with a pair of boar's tusks, and otherwise decorating himself with the bones of the cassowary and dog.

The inhabitant of Wottan perforates his ears with large holes, from which he suspends enormous earrings, ties a band of plaited grass around his arm, and suspends from it a bunch of feathers or hair.