

(later) "Corinthian" style, but in that of the much less known, and intrinsically more interesting, "Protocorinthian" period.

The bronzes are in some ways even more interesting than the pottery; they comprise vases, in several instances finely decorated, and vase-handles, mirrors, pins, and ornaments of many kinds, and, as stated above, a small collection of fine figures in the round—a griffon-protome of the early seventh century (12 inches high), small figures of animals, flying figures from tripods, and a splendid statuette of Herakles (5½ inches high); several of these are illustrated herewith. Many small bronzes representing Herakles or Zeus in similar schemes are, of course, already known, but it will probably be admitted that there are few in which both anatomy and movement are so finely conceived as in the new statuette from the Heraeum. An ivory head, some fifty years later than the Herakles, and therefore a work of the middle of the fifth century, is also illustrated. It is presumably from a miniature chryselephantine statuette (the sides being cut for insertion into some other material, probably wood); it would seem to be unique.

In addition to the small finds just alluded to, various buildings came to light, the most important of these being a fifth-century temple, parts of which are fairly well preserved. A large building, apparently an agora of the late fifth century, is at present in process of excavation. There is, moreover, a considerable area in the neighbourhood of the Heraeum deposit which awaits excavation, and which will certainly produce more votives of the kind described above. And there are large areas as yet untouched. An excavation of this kind must inevitably throw light not simply on archaeological questions, but through the archaeological material on history in the narrower sense of the word; it may therefore be said that an exceptional opportunity will be lost if the funds necessary for the completion of the undertaking begun last year are not forthcoming.

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THE Director's admirable account of the finds already made at Perachora, and the accompanying illustrations of some of the most important, amply justify the appeal for further funds, which on behalf of the Committee I cordially endorse. The sum asked for—£700—is so moderate, and the prospects of further excavation are so promising, that I feel confident that the British School at Athens will not be deprived of the opportunity of completing so excellent a piece of work. Contributions should be sent to, and will be acknowledged by, the Hon. Treasurer, Vincent W. Yorke, Esq., Farringdon Works, Shoe Lane, London E.C.

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