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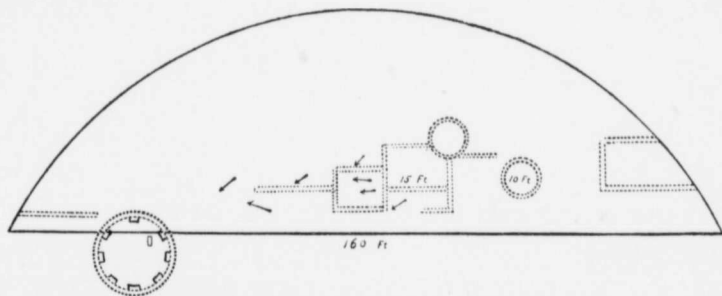
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PRE-HISTORIC MAN IN UTAH.

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THERE has recently been brought to Salt Lake City a rare collection of pre-historic remains, said to have been collected by Messrs. C. B. Lang and Neilsen during the past three months in San Juan County, Southeastern Utah. It consists, principally, of seven almost perfect, mummified or desiccated human bodies, and the head of another; one mummified turkey; two mummified field mice, several human skulls, wooden implements, sandals, cloth, tow or yucca fibre, mats, baskets, maize, axes, arrow-points, a wooden pail, gourd fruits, pipes, shell and bone beads. Besides the foregoing, there are a few vessels of pottery, some of which came from the Montezuma Valley in Colorado. There can be no reasonable doubt that the articles have been collected as alleged, in the caves of Southeastern Utah and vicinity.



Ground Plan of Cave No. 1, San Juan County, Utah.

The greater part of the collection is said to have been found in one cave in the face of a cliff, about fifty miles south of Moab and forty miles north of Bluff City. This cave is only some forty feet above the valley, and is readily accessible. Its mouth is about 160 feet in width by twenty feet in height, and the latter gradually decreases as it extends inwards towards its terminus, which is about fifty feet from the entrance. Within the cave were the dilapidated ruins of stone houses. These ruins contained earthen vessels, sandals and other relics, such as have been found in similar stone ruins