

somewhat like that of Cassia buds, though not precisely. T-alcohol the spices yield a very small quantity of soluble matter, having a brown colour and heavy resinous and ammoniacal smell; and, after thorough washing in alcohol, the residuum is destitute of odour, and has merely a bitter taste.



Fig 1.

Externally to the spices a square plate of copper-foil had been moulded upon the face; and two smaller pieces had been placed on the upper part of the feet, at the base of the toes.

A quantity of lichen (see Note) had then been placed over the front part of the body to give it a more rounded contour, and to retain the odour of the spices; and it had been swathed in numerous linen cloths, folded over the front, and with many loose pieces put in to fill out the form.

The body lies upon a narrow board, which has previously been used for some other purpose, having a dovetail and pin at one end; but has been rounded on the lower side to fit it for its present use.

The coffin is elaborately ornamented on all sides, and covered with characters and figures of deities. It has also a figure of a lady in full dress, and a male figure lying on a bier; and in another part a similar male figure on the back of the bull Apis. The outer surface has been covered with linen, saturated with white paint or plaster before the figures were drawn upon it. The interior is thickly coated with white paint. The interior sides are inscribed with hieroglyphics, and a female figure, no doubt that of the occupant, is drawn in profile over the middle both of the cover and bottom.

The first finger of the right hand and the little finger of the left hand have been cut off previously to embalming, probably to obtain rings.

The head is finely proportioned, and the features regular; the feet very small and delicate. The measurements are as follows:

Height of body, 5 feet.

Occipital diameter of skull, 7 inches 2 tenths.

Parietal diameter of skull, 5 inches 8 tenths.

Length of foot, 7 inches 5 tenths.

The hair is quite white, straight but short. Its appearance under the microscope is similar to that of ordinary European hair, and its cross section apparently a flat oval.