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IN THE PROVINCIAL OFFENCES COURT

IN THE MATTER OF: THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,
Section 69(1).

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

against

PARKIN, George
RICHER, Gary
JACKSON, Gordon

SENTENCING

Given by His Worship, R. Robins, Justice of
the Peace, at the Provincial Offences Court,
32 James Street South, Hamilton, Ontario, on
Wednesday, May 1st, 1985.

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A NOTE ON THE GLASS BEADS FROM THE FREELTON VILLAGE SITE

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There are only 9 extant beads from the Freelton Village site. Despite the extensive looting of the site by Parkin, Richer and Jackson, they recovered a meagre total of 7 beads. Limited test excavation by the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture in 1983 produced 2 additional specimens. Whether this apparent scarcity of glass beads at Freelton is a reflection of the careless digging of the pothunters or a genuine scarcity is a question that can only be answered by future work on the site, with due attention being paid to the fine screening (e.g. 1/16" mesh) of cultural deposits.

Bearing in mind the interpretative limitations of a sample of only 9 beads, everything about the Freelton collection indicates that it is a relatively late Neutral site (i.e. Period 3b). A date of the late 1630's or 1640's is suggested, since the Freelton beads are similar to those found at the nearby late Neutral villages of Hood and Hamilton, and, going further afield, to the Jesuit Missions of Ste Marie I (1639-49) and Ste Marie II (1649-50).

Variety	Length	Dia.	Collection	Comments
Ia1	(10.1)	(4.2)	MCC Midden 1	Ground to square x-section
Ia1	(11.3)	3.6	MCC Midden 2	
Ia1	(23.6)	5.9	Parkin	Lightly ground
IIa1	6.9	5.7	Jackson	
IIa40	6.2	7.5	Parkin	
IIIa1	8.6	2.5	Jackson	Very thin core
IIIc'3	32.2	8.2	Parkin	
IVa5	5.7	5.2	Jackson	Clear outer casing
IVa8	5.6	5.9	Parkin	

(Measurements in mm; those enclosed in brackets indicate incomplete dimensions)