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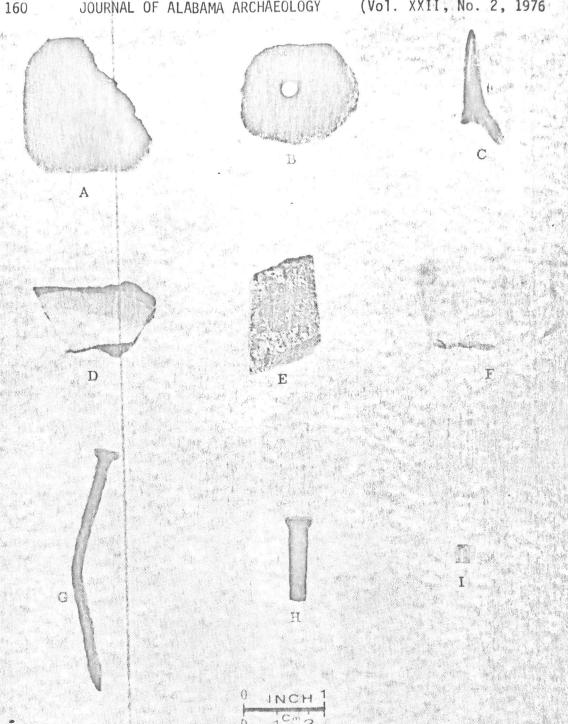
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Miscellaneous aboriginal and historic artifacts from Site Fig. 34. 1Au28: A-B, Pottery Sherds; C, Fossil Shark's Tooth; D, Modern China; E, Glazed Stoneware; F, Glass; G, Round Iron Nail; H, Square Iron Nail; and I, Blue Glass Bead.

MISCELLANEOUS ARTIFACTS

Four miscellaneous artifacts were recovered from the site. One was a fossil shark's tooth found on the surface of the site. Occurrences of these fossil teeth were noted during the previous field season at this site, also. As were the examples found then, this specimen was unaltered. Possibly the teeth were collected out of curiosity and used as ornaments.

The other three artifacts were pottery sherds which had been ground into circular or rectangular shapes and drilled through their centers. All of these sherds were check stamped and typed as Deptford Check Stamped ware. One each was found in Level 3, Level 4 and Level 5 of the general excavation unit. The sherd found in Level 5 was rectangular with rounded corners and only partially drilled, while the other two examples were circular. Their purpose is unknown, although they may have served as spindle whorls in weaving activities.

HISTORIC ARTIFACTS

The historic artifacts found at this site were confined to Zone A (Level 1 and Level 2 of the general excavation unit) and consisted of such artifacts as china sherds, salt-glazed stoneware sherds, fragments of glass and bricks, round and square metal nails, and miscellaneous metal objects. The historic component of this site would seem a hodge-podge of material common to a time period ranging from the late 1800's up to the present. The occurrence of bricks would seem to indicate that a structure had been present at the immediate area at one time, but no foundations or structure patterns of that time period were located during this field work or during the past field seasons at this site. Possibly the area was used as a dump, or possibly the structure may have been located near but outside the area investigated. A single blue glass bead was found on the surface of the site. The bead, hexagonal in cross-section, as not been identified as yet. Also, the remains of a cow were found scattered throughout the upper 4 inches of the site.

Tables 21 and 22 show the vertical placement of these artifacts.