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Nachwort

An Archaeological Note on Two Ostraca from the Fitzwilliam Collection

The objects published by Shelton as nos. 12 and 13 on p. 276 above are sherds from 'Palestinian' bag-shaped amphorae (e.g. D.P.S. Peacock and D.F. Williams, *Amphorae and the Roman Economy, an introductory guide* [London 1986] pp. 191-192, Class 45; M.G. Fulford and D.P.S. Peacock, *Excavations at Carthage: the British Mission I, 2* [Sheffield 1984] p. 121, no. 4, p. 122, fig. 35, nos. 6-11). Both have a reddish-orange fabric (2.5 YR 5/6) with sand, quartz and limestone inclusions. The inscriptions come from the plain section of the body between the zones of horizontal 'combing'; both zones were 'decorated' with characteristic white paint. These amphorae are normally dated to c. AD 450-530, and their distribution has suggested a Palestinian origin.

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