

Meeting House Square, Dublin City

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One Hundred clay pipe items were recovered, 83 stems and 17 bowls, of which 15 were complete; of the two remaining, one was a stamped heel piece and the other a bowl fragment.

Sixteen of the pipes are Illustrated

Fig.1.

Illustrated are 5 flat-heeled and 3 spurred pipes. All have milling around the rim. The bases of the flat-heeled pipes are oval (As in Fig.1:1) or circular (Fig.1:4), they are not very pronounced, being, as in Fig.1:1 almost a continuation of the stem.

The date range for all the above pipes is c.1630-1680.

Fig.2.

Illustrated are 7 complete pipes and one heel/stem piece. This pipe (Fig.1:2) has a stamp, incuse, on the base, a stylised 'IR'. Pipes with a similar stamp, dating c.1640-1660 were found at Dublin Castle.

The date range for the six flat-heeled pipes is c.1640-1680.

There are two spurred pipes, one (Fig.2:7) has a very small spur, is milled at the rim and dates c.1640-1670.

The second is a large unmarked spurred bowl of c.1700-1740.

With the exception of the latter pipe, the date range for the group as a whole is c.1630-1680.

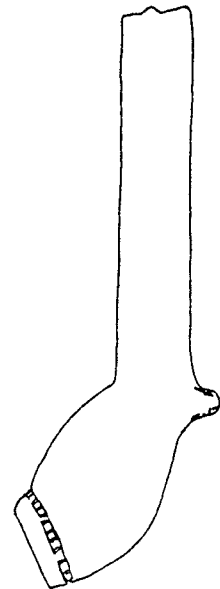
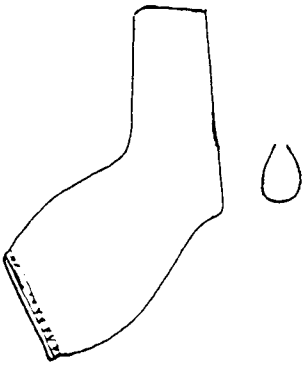
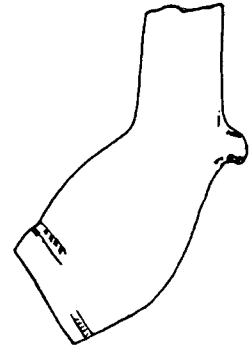
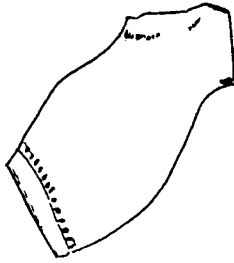
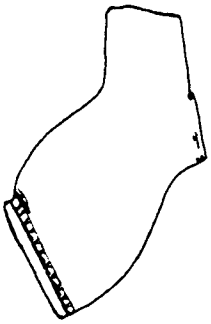
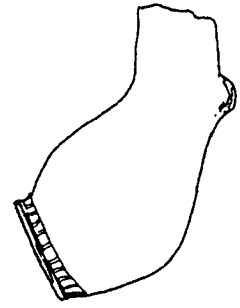
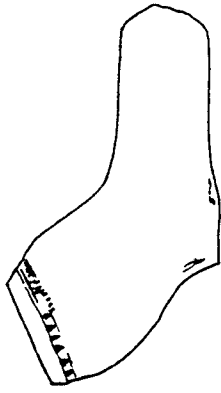
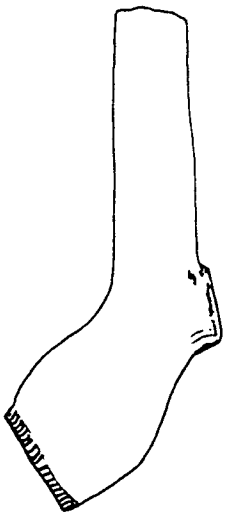
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No.	Ex. No.	Date	Comment	Context
		<u>Fig.1</u>		
1	E194:12:4	1650-1670	Milled, small oval heel	12
2	E194:12:7	1640-1660	Milled, insignificant heel	12
3	E194:12:1	1640-1660	Milled, small circular base.	12
4	E194:12:6	1660-1680	Milled, small circular base.	12
5	E194:15:41	1650-1670	Milled, insignificant heel	15
6	E194:12:2	1630-1650	Milled, small spur	12
7	E194:12:3	1640-1660	Disjointed milling.	12
8	E194:12:5	1650-1670	Milled, very small spur.	12
		<u>Fig 2</u>		
1	E194:1:8	1640-1660	Highly stylised stamp on Heel 'IR' similar to pipes with same stamp found at Dublin Castle.	1
2	E194:1:5	1640-1660	Milled, small heel	1
3	E194:1:7	1640-1660	Milled.	1
4	E194:1:6	1650-1670	Milled, oval heel.	1
5	E194:1:1	1640-1670	Milled, large circular heel.	1
6	E194:1:4	1660-1680	Milled, large heel.	1
7	E194:1:3	1640-1670	Milled, small spur	1
8	E194:1:2	1700-1740	No markings	1



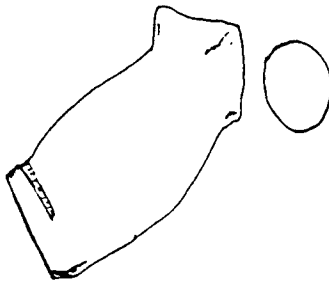
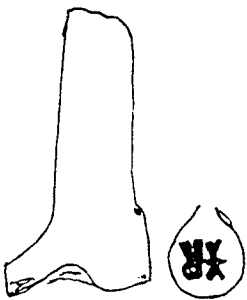
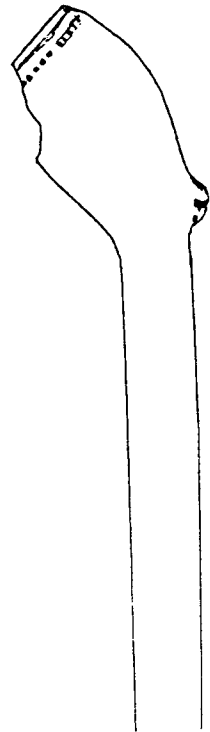
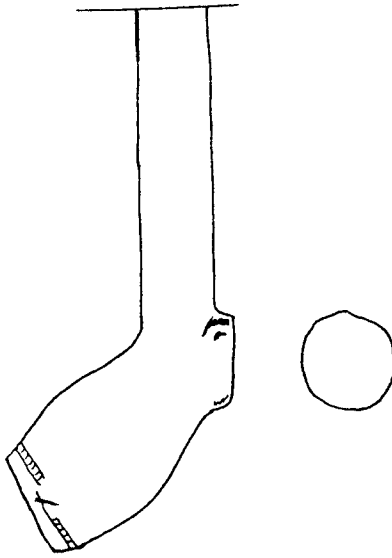
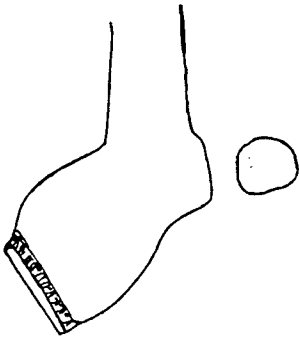
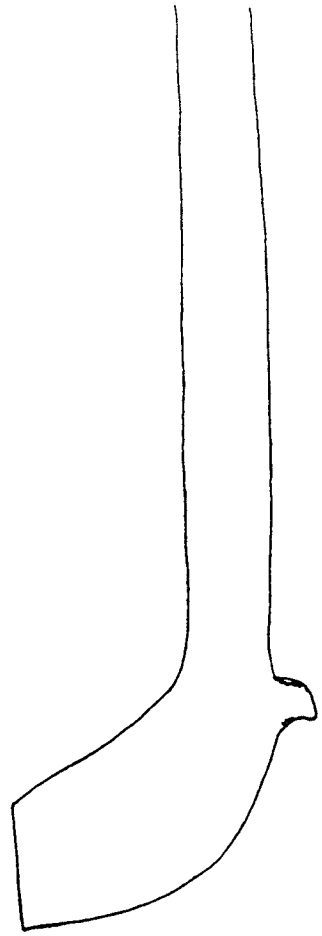
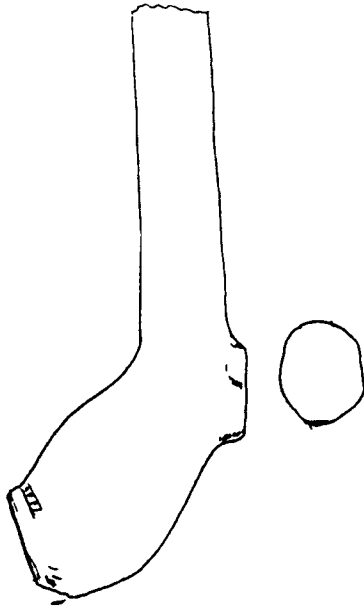
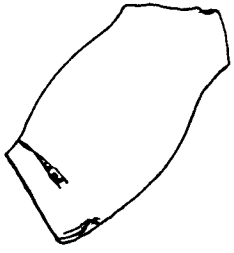


Plate 1 Fig. 1



5 cm

Plate 2 Fig. 2



5 cm

Heel Stamp



Fig.2 Pipe 1.