attempts to establish an institutional basis for the emerging sub-discipline. This paper explores the initial efforts to establish Maya cave archaeology within this historical context.

13) DISCUSSION/COMMENT

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The annual meeting of the History of Archaeology Group was also held in Montreal. Among the subjects discussed were plans for future Willey Symposia, particularly important since a number of important anniversaries and opportunities are ahead. The next scheduled session will be in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in 2006, which is also the 100th anniversary of the Act for the Preservation of American Antiquities in the US. Sentiment within the group was divided between taking advantage of the meeting’s location in the Carribean to develop a symposium on the history of archaeology in the region (or perhaps in Latin America), or to focus on the Antiquities Act. Other options mentioned included sponsoring a session in the ‘off-Willey’ years, which would potentially provide sponsorship to sessions on both topics, one in Salt Lake City in 2005 and the next in San Juan. No decision was made, and in the absence of an organizer the subject is still very much open. As this goes to press, in fact, an effort is being made by Frank McManamon of the US National Park Service, to organize a history session for the 2005 meetings on the ‘background’ of the Antiquities Act. Other landmarks in the next few years include the centennial of the School of American Research in 2008 and the 75th anniversary of the SAA itself in 2010. The SAA board is already discussing preliminary plans for the latter, and has requested the input of the group. Finally, it should be noted that the HAIG is open to all interested SAA members, and no additional dues are required. In addition to organizing the Willey Symposia, the group promotes communication on topics of common interest. A listserv is maintained by Steve Nash at the Field Museum, and contact is maintained with the History of Anthropology Group of the American Anthropological Association and various kindred organizations. All questions should be directed to either Steve Nash (snash@fieldmuseum.org) or James Snead (jsnead@gmu.edu).

From Anne O’Connor, University of Durham.

Canon William Greenwell and His Contemporaries: The History of British Archaeology in the Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries

CALL FOR PAPERS

We are pleased to invite you to the Greenwell Conference at the Department of Archaeology, University of Durham, April 16–17, 2005.

This conference will be held in the cathedral city of Durham, where Canon Greenwell (1820–1918) spent much of his life. A reception will be held in the Monks’ Dormitory in Durham Cathedral on the Saturday night. We are delighted to welcome Professor Tim Murray from La Trobe University, Australia, as our keynote speaker.

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We invite papers relating to the life and work of William Greenwell, antiquarian, archaeologist, collector, historian, numismatist, fisherman ... polymath. Papers on the broader context of Greenwell’s archaeological researches are particularly encouraged. The conference aims to give a flavour of the rich and varied research environment of Greenwell’s time.

The duration of papers should be 30 minutes. The conference welcomes papers from both professional and amateur enthusiasts. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words and, if possible, should be submitted in Microsoft Word document format by e-mail to canon.greenwell@durham.ac.uk. If sending by post, please mail the abstract on a floppy disk to the contact address below. Please include your name, institution, the title of your paper and a brief c.v. The organisers should receive abstracts by November 30, 2004. We look forward to receiving your abstracts and if you have any enquiries please feel free to contact us.

Students £6.00. Other delegates £10.00.

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From Wiebke Rohrer and Hubert Fehr.

Session ‘Wissenschaftsgeschichte’ (History of Science) organized by the German Theoretical Archaeology Group during the congress of German archaeologists, 4th–8th April 2005 in Frankfurt/Oder, Germany.

The history of archaeology currently is en vogue (see Rohrer/Müller-Scheessel, this volume). However, the number of German archaeologists dealing with the history of their discipline is still comparatively small. Therefore, the congress of German archaeologists, taking place next year in Frankfurt/Oder on the border to Poland, seems to be the right opportunity to inform colleagues who have up to now not been concerned with the history of archaeology. We want to focus the attention of German prehistorians more on the history of their discipline and to make them aware of the latest studies in this field.

IX. Book announcements

From Professor Susan Pearce, University of Leicester, UK.

Volume to Celebrate the Tercentenary of the Society of Antiquaries of London.

In 1707, London in the reign of Queen Anne was just on the verge of becoming the financial and political powerhouse of the world and the capital of the greatest empire the world has experienced. As a part of this, English gentlemen had become increasingly aware that their