

#### 10. NOTICE OF A LONG CIST, MIDDLETON, FRIOCKHEIM.

In March 1940 Mr Maclellan, overseer on Capt. Bruce Gardyne's estate of Middleton, near Friockheim, examined the remains of a long cist disturbed during the ploughing, under the grasslands scheme, of a gravel and sand knoll 800 yards W.N.W. from Middleton House. On the north side of the knoll, which had probably once overlooked marshy ground, were a number of slabs split from boulders of freestone, some projecting above the surface before the ploughing. These formed a grave in which were recognisable the skull and arm bone of an adult. Two end stones were about 6 feet apart. Two other stones also remained, about 2 feet apart, one on either side of the shoulders, at the west end.

Mr Maclellan removed the stones and reburied the bones, and also informed our Fellow Mr J. P. Watson, who promptly notified the Museum. When I visited the site Mr Maclellan's description was sufficient to establish the character of the discovery.

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