

## 12. SHORT CIST AT DOORPOOL, ROXBURGHSHIRE.

While ploughing in May 1952 Mr John Whitecross, Doorpool Farm, Southdean, Roxburghshire, uncovered a stone cist close to the highest point of Doorpool Hill (874 feet O.D.), one mile N.N.W. of Chesters cross-roads (Nat. Grid ref. NT/619117). The field had not been ploughed for many years, but when the cist was struck it was found to have no capstone; this had presumably been removed at the time of an earlier ploughing. The cist lay with its long axis north and south. The internal dimensions were: length 3 feet 2 inches, breadth 1 foot 10 inches, height from floor to top of side slabs about 1 foot 6 inches. The floor was almost entirely covered by two irregularly laid slabs. The contents of the cist may well have been taken out at the time of the removal of the capstone; as found, they consisted of loose earth and stones, among which were a few small fragments of bone.

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