A BURIAL URN

STRANGE FIND ON A COUNTY LIMERICK FARM.

Recently an urn burial was found at Glenaree by a man named John Ryan, while digging on his farm. The urn was broken, and when the place was visited by Professor S. P. O’Riordan, Mr. D. F. O’Shaughnessy, Kilfinane, and Mr. C. Cremen, M.A., Kenmare, many of the fragments were lost.

The urn had originally rested mouth downward on a flat stone about 20 inches under the ground, and the grave hollowed out to contain the burial was about 15 inches in diameter. The urn contained a quantity of cremated bones too fragmentary to enable one to say anything regarding the age or sex of the individual.

With the bones was a small bronze plate very much oxidised, and the lower end of which was broken off at a rivet hole. The date of the burial is put at between 1,000 and 500 B.C.

All material in connection with the find has been presented to the National Museum, Dublin.