remove that and a map of 1798 is revealed; dig down and you reach Roman, Anglo-Saxon and medieval features which sit on top of the wooden base, the underlying geology. As the puzzle was produced in a limited edition (enquiries to Cambridge University Press Bookshop) to celebrate the 800th anniversary of the University, *Antiquity* was delighted to receive an exemplar and the office enjoyed 'excavating' Cambridge and putting it back together. Details are: ISSAM KOURBAJ. *A Cambridge palimpsest: a box of layers charting the development of Cambridge*. 2009. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press; 978-0-521-15543-4, boxed, £75.

New journal

Welcome to a new journal, the *Journal of Archaeology in the Low Countries* (*JALC*). It was founded by Leendert Louwe Kooijmans in 2009 and is edited by Yvonne Lammers-Keijsers. It is dedicated to presenting research from the Palaeolithic to recent times in the Low Countries in the broader sense, i.e. the Lower Rhine Basin. Louwe Kooijmans writes in his first editorial: 'The *Journal of Archaeology in the Low Countries* has been established as a means to stop the recently formed gap [the loss of *Helinium* and the *Proceedings of the State Service for Archaeological Investigations in the Netherlands (Berichten ROB)*]... It offers all archaeologists working in the Netherlands and Flanders an opportunity to publish information and conclusions worthy of being presented to an international public. The journal is emphatically open to anyone desiring to participate in scientific debates, working for companies, heritage-management or university institutes. The only criterion for the acceptance of contributions is scientific quality, which will be assessed by the editors and external peers. I hope that the *Journal of Archaeology in the Low Countries* will be a showcase of the very best that archaeology in the Netherlands and Flanders has to offer.'

The journal has published two issues to date: its first number includes substantive articles on late Iron Age coinages in the Lower Rhine (Roymans & Aarts), on the different courses followed by individual communities in the process of Neolithisation (Louwe Kooijmans), or on a veterinarian instrument (or not) found at the Roman cemetery of Tiel-Passewaaij (Heeren). The second issue includes a report on living conditions from the analysis of cesspits excavated at the late medieval prison of Malines in Belgium (Troubleyn *et al.)* or a re-evaluation of an important Beaker barrow discovered at Niersen in 1907 (Bourgeois *et al.*).

The *Journal of Archaeology in the Low Countries* is published by Amsterdam University Press as a free, open access online journal, with two issues in May and October. It is also available as print-on demand (yearly subscription: € 99.95). For further information and free downloads, see www.jalc.nl. *Antiquity* sends every good wish to this new journal and hopes it will continue to display the high quality of fieldwork and research in the Low Countries for many years to come.

Books received

The list includes all books received between 1 September and 1 December 2009. Those featuring at the beginning of New Book Chronicle have, however, not been duplicated in this list. The listing of a book in this chronicle does not preclude its subsequent review in *Antiquity.*

General

ROBERT L. BETTINGER. *Hunter-gatherer foraging: five simple models*. xii+112 pages, 20 figures, 43 tables. 2009. Clinton Corners (NY): Eliot Werner; 9780-9797731-3-6 paperback $29.50.

SOPHIE A. DE BEAUNE, FREDERICK L. COOLIDGE & THOMAS WYNN (ed.). *Cognitive archaeology and human evolution*. xiv+186 pages, 17 illustrations. 2009. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press; 978-0-521-74611-3 paperback £16.99, $27.99; 978-0-521-76977-8 hardback £50, $85.

CHARLES R. ORTLOFF. *Water engineering in the ancient world. Archaeological and climate perspectives on societies of ancient South America, the Middle East, and South-East Asia*. viii+424 pages, 133 illustrations. 2009. Oxford: Oxford University Press; 978-0-19-923909-2 hardback £80.

PIERRE ROUILLARD (ed.). *Portraits de migrants, portraits de colons I* (Colloques de la Maison René-Ginouvès 5). viii+168 pages, 25 illustrations. 2009. Paris: De Boccard; 978-2-7018-0259-6 paperback.

YANNIS HAMILAKIS & ARIS ANAGNOSTOPOULOS (ed.). *Archaeological ethnographies: a special issue of Public Archaeology* (*Public Archaeology* 8, nos. 2–3, August 2009). 261 pages. 2009. Leeds: Maney; 978-1-906540-73-9 paperback £36, $62.

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