

TELEGRAMS BOARDHILL.

YOULBURY,
NEAR OXFORD.

Candice

Aut. May 11
1907.

My dear Macmillan

Many thanks for the cheque -
(for which formal acknowledgment over
leaf.) If you have not already received
a request from me to do so I am you
kindly pay it to £250 to my account
Bucks & Oxon Bank, Hemel Hempstead.

I have no news of Weld. T. Blau-
del but both Hogarth & myself were
strongly against Rosengauz's going off
from his work at Pinner almost before

he had begun it - there being no
one of experience in excavations to
lead a team. I think to himself
he made up his mind that Constanti-
nople & Byzantium was all at present
lost to the world by him. It is a thousand
pities that a firmer should be given to
a man who by all accounts is quite in-
capable as an archaeologist - but then Mr Tucker
has a way of doing & not giving firmness
& there is reason to believe that Dr Rustef-
jell's great change to the last category.

Dörpfeld & his party have just been
visiting Knossos with great appreciation.
The work continues satisfactory. Very
beautiful bits of decorative fresco are
now coming out but a truly surprising

find has been a royal death-board.
It is a board of wood with inlaid work
in rock crystal and gold settings, & backing
of blue enamel ("Kyanos") & silver. At one
end is an arrangement of medallions an-
swering to the Egyptian scene of death
as found in the grave of Queen Hatshepsut
(c. 1500 B.C.) This follows a kind of 'la-
pyrante' of crystal & wood covered with gold
leaf & then four larger medallions mes-
sagedly joined. The 'materially some-
what crumpled & distorted' at several cr.
arrangement was preserved intact & after
about three days of very difficult work,
plastering round & under, it has been
possible to get it out as it lay. It is
about a metre in length. This & the

great merit have for our a few days,
previously an truly royal relief.

I am glad that your home
news is better

Yours ever
Arthur Evans.