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as stuart laycock s book all the countries we ve ever invaded and the few we never got round to shows the british have not been backward in coming forward when it comes to aggressive forays abroad but it hasn t all been one way in 1193 for example the danes teamed up serial offenders the french for a full scale invasion the french prince louis the lion came close to success exactly 150 years after the battle of hastings the 100 years war saw multiple raids on british towns and ports by the spanish and french following the armada there was the bloodless invasion of 1688 bonnie prince charlie s march south the remarkable american john paul jones attack on whitehaven during the american war of independence the german occupation of the channel islands and the great what if of british perhaps world history the threat of operation sealion ian herson brings his journalistic flair to bear in this dramatic narrative of the survival of an island race over 900 years sometimes surprisingly against the odds whilst such a history one leaving out the boring bits is bound to entertain it also cannot fail to inform where were shots last exchanged with an enemy on the mainland at graveney marsh in kent a world fallen under a plague of seven billion walking dead a tiny island nation the last refuge of the living one team of the world s most elite special operators the dead these heroes humanity s last hope all have arisen book one fortress britain when the zombie apocalypse came one country had shut down its borders in response to a major terrorist attack now fortress britain is the last bastion of the living with 50 million beleaguered survivors facing down a world of 7 billion animated corpses and when civilization fell one international team of supremely elite special operators was being assembled for a nearly impossible mission deployed out of the sas barracks at hereford supremely trained and armed always the most skilled resolved and unstoppable amongst us now the commandos of alpha team are humanity s last best hope for survival searching through the detritus of fallen europe scavenging pharmaceutical labs for clues to a vaccine that might bring humanity back from the brink now they are tasked with one last desperate operation they must cross the atlantic aboard the world s only remaining supercarrier insert by air into the very middle of a dead continent and then fight their way on foot through a city of 3 million ravaging dead guys but these zulus will not be like any zombies they have ever fought before book one fortress britain when the zombie apocalypse came one country had shut down its borders in response to a major terrorist attack now fortress britain is the last bastion of the living with 50 million beleaguered survivors facing down a world of 7 billion animated corpses and one international team of elite special operators supremely trained and armed always the most skilled resolved and unstoppable amongst us are humanity s last best hope for survival book two mogadishu of the dead alpha team is tasked with one last desperate operation they must cross the atlantic aboard the world s only remaining supercarrier and insert by air into the very middle of a dead continent all in search of a rumored vaccine that might bring humanity back from the brink but their op goes dangerously wrong from the start

with the team scattered to hell and back and their target site a dry hole now they must fight their way on foot through a city of 3 million ravening dead guys in search of an underground bunker that might hold the last man on earth but these undead will not be like any zulus they have ever fought before and they surround the new target in a writhing ring of death 30 feet high on all sides book three three parts dead alpha team the world's best and last surviving tier 1 operators are adrift on lake michigan and fast drifting into what looks like a damned hostile shoreline deep in the national forest nearby a former police officer and survivalist battles to keep her family alive and tries to decide whether the commandos of alpha are more dangerous to her alive or dead meanwhile the john f kennedy the world's last floating supercarrier is run aground off the coast of virginia and facing a veritable hurricane of the dead blowing in fast finally back in fortress britain the terrible outbreak from the channel tunnel turns out not to have been so contained after all and a death grip is beginning to close on london and shaping up into humanity's very last stand the battle for humanity starts here in the first three volumes of the most explosive and thrilling za series on earth immigration is a key concern in british society however the ethical implications of the issue are often overlooked produced by theos a leading christian think tank this collection of short essays explores the ethical issues surrounding immigration in a post brexit britain with contributions from across the christian and political spectrums this timely collection considers the many issues surrounding immigration including economics community nationhood sovereignty and internationalism and demonstrates the range of conclusions that can be drawn on this topic with possible interventions from the christian perspective insightful for policy makers and politicians as well as anyone looking for orientation on a complex subject this book is also full of ethical questions and considerations for readers from any faith or background an authoritative account of artillery fortifications in britain from the days of the medieval castle to world war two traces the modifications to castles in the late middle ages to accommodate fire arms follows the emergence of a national defence policy under henry viii examines coastal defence works in the centuries when britannia ruled the waves the military historian presents a fascinating reassessment of britain's singapore naval base and the wwii battle of singapore the fall of singapore in february 1942 was arguably the greatest disaster suffered by the british empire between 1923 and 1938 the singapore naval base had been upgraded with some of the largest coast guns ever installed but the guns design and incorrect siting have since been blamed for the humiliating loss during world war ii in the fatal fortress bill clements traces the history of singapore's armaments from the city's founding in 1819 to the demise of coast artillery in the british army in 1953 he also follows the development of artillery through the victorian era of muzzleloading guns to the introduction of breechloading guns in the twentieth century clements argues that it was not the siting of the guns that brought about the fall of singapore but an overall failure in command and control and a lack of suitable ammunition this volume is illustrated throughout with photographs drawings and plans and contains a gazetteer describing all the batteries and forts both existing and demolished there is also an annex giving the details of the guns that were installed in singapore in 1940 british forces were withdrawn from the channel islands allowing the germans to occupy british

territory hitler was determined to hold onto what he saw as a valuable prize and the islands were heavily fortified however despite being extensively defended the occupied channel islands remained vulnerable to commando style raids indeed a total of nine such operations were conducted between 1940 and 1943 many others were planned but never executed each one was a bold and dangerous expedition with small groups of men daring to trespass on hitler s cherished british stronghold the first of these attacks operation ambassador took place on the night of 14 15 july 1940 the second ever raid undertaken by the commandos it was focused on the island of guernsey though the mission failed to achieve any of its objectives valuable lessons were learnt in the weeks months and years that followed raids were also undertaken against jersey sark herm burhou and the casquets lighthouse off alderney the final attack hardtack 22 was one of the three carried out against the german garrison on sark after the second mission hardtack 7 had to be aborted the commandos returned to the island on the night of 26 27 december 1943 tasked with undertaking a reconnaissance and capturing prisoners this too was a failure after the raiders entered a minefield two men were killed and most of the others wounded compiled from official reports and first hand accounts each of the raids is packed with intrigue and drama including the fear of reprisals being taken against the islanders each of the missions are explored on the ground today by the authors with the routes taken and all key locations relating to each attack photographed and described the planned but never executed raids are also explored never before have these stories been told in such detail and never before in the words of those that took part in the raids and those who ultimately were most affected the extraordinary drama of malta s wwii victory against impossible odds told through the eyes of the people who were there in march and april 1942 more explosives were dropped on the tiny mediterranean island of malta smaller than the isle of wight than on the whole of britain during the first year of the blitz malta had become one of the most strategically important places in the world from there the allies could attack axis supply lines to north africa without it rommel would be able to march unchecked into egypt suez and the middle east for the allies this would have been catastrophic as churchill said malta had to be held at all costs fortress malta follows the story through the eyes of those who were there young men such as twenty year old fighter pilot raoul daddo langlois anti aircraft gunner ken griffiths american art roscoe and submariner tubby crawford who served on the most successful allied submarine of the second world war cabaret dancer turned raf plotter christina ratcliffe and her lover the brilliant and irrepressible reconnaissance pilot adrian warburton their stories and others provide extraordinary first hand accounts of heroism resilience love and loss highlighting one of the most remarkable stories of world war ii celebrated as a trading port hong kong was also britain s eastern fortress likened by many to gibraltar and malta the colony was a vital but vulnerable link in imperial strategy exposed to a succession of enemies in a turbulent age and a troubled region this book examines hong kong s developing role in the victorian imperial defence system the emerging challenges from russia france the united states germany japan and other powers and preparations in the years leading up to the second world war a detailed chapter offers new interpretations of the battle of hong kong of 1941 when the colony succumbed to the japanese invasion the remaining

chapters discuss hong kong s changing strategic role during the cold war and the winding down of the military presence the book not only focuses on policies and events but also explores the social life of the garrison in hong kong the struggles between military and civil authorities and relations between the armed forces and civilians in hong kong drawing on original research in archives around the world including english japanese and chinese sources this is the first full length study of the defence of hong kong from the beginning of the colonial period to the end of british military interests east of suez in 1970 illustrated with images and detailed maps eastern fortress will be of interest to both students of history and general readers kwong chi man is an assistant professor in the history department of hong kong baptist university tsoi yiu lun teaches history and liberal studies at mu kuang english school hong kong armed with a range of declassified archives many of them unpublished kwong and tsoi expertly weave together military political social and economic history to show how hong kong played a strategic role in east asia and the british empire from the early 1840s to the 1970s eastern fortress is a must read for anyone interested in hong kong and its history john carroll author of a concise history of hong kong and edge of empires chinese elites and british colonials in hong kong this careful and well written study does a difficult balancing act very well indeed it connects the military history of hong kong to both the general hong kong experience and the wider military history of the region and beyond weaving its way with confidence from archive to library from grand strategy to battlefield this volume provides what we have long needed hong kong s experience was unique but at the same time it was integrally connected to the wider circles of empire region and asia nothing brings that trajectory out more strongly than the military dimension and by ranging from the opium war to the cold war with a critical eye this volume does that story justice it is the capstone that brings together a generation of good scholarship on the military history of hong kong brian farrell author of the basis and making of british grand strategy 1940 1943 was there a plan and co author of between two oceans a military history of singapore from first settlement to final british withdrawal the great fortress a chronicle of louisbourg 1720 1760 by william charles henry wood published by good press good press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre from well known classics literary fiction and non fiction to forgotten or yet undiscovered gems of world literature we issue the books that need to be read each good press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e readers and devices our goal is to produce ebooks that are user friendly and accessible to everyone in a high quality digital format the british isles it is often believed have not been invaded for nearly a thousand years in fact as norman longmate reveals in this highly entertaining book the successor to his acclaimed defending the island foreign soldiers have landed on british soil on many occasions in this definitive study of a long neglected subject norman longmate make constant use of original sources including contemporary eyewitness accounts these are woven into an enthralling narrative packed with fact about weapons ships armies and fortresses spiced with anecdote and ranging over international and political as well as military and naval history the result is above all an exciting story which shows how against all the odds the british people managed to retain their freedom from the days of james i to those of george vi how does religion

maintain or challenge discourses on national identity what are the roles that religion plays on all sides from islamophobia of the radical right to the christian alliances on both sides of the atlantic to the islamic beliefs and practices of european citizens as well as migrant communities in the constitution of fortress europe are there any alliances shaping between belief and unbelief on either side of the battle for the future of europe these questions and more motivate the chapters in this timely interdisciplinary collection with contributions focusing on diverse contexts throughout europe involving a broad range of religious identifications and actors this volume is a critical assessment of the current state of archaeological knowledge of the settlement originally called camulodunon and now known as colchester the town has been the subject of antiquarian interest since the late 16th century and the first modern archaeological excavations occurred in 1845 close to colchester castle the towns most prominent historic site the earliest significant human occupation recorded from colchester dates to the late neolithic but it was only towards the end of the 1st century bc that an oppidum was established in the area this was superseded initially by a roman legionary fortress and then the colonia of camulodunum on a hilltop bounded on the north and east by the river colne there is little evidence for continuing occupation here in the early post roman period but in 917 the town was re established as a burgh and gradually grew in importance after the norman conquest a castle was built on the foundations of the ruined roman temple of claudius and a priory and an abbey were established just to the south of the walled town although the town as elsewhere was affected by the dissolution of the monasteries and the english civil war it remained essentially medieval in character until the 18th century during the 19th century this process of change was accelerated by the arrival of the railway industrialisation and the establishment of the military garrison since the 1960s colchester has been subject to recurring phases of re development the most recent having ended only in 2007 which have had a significant impact on the historic environment fortunately the town is one of the best studied in the country a few of the fortifications and fortified lines of the world wars are well known and have often been written about illustrated and studied but they tend to distract attention from the wide range of fixed defenses constructed across europe on an enormous scale after the franco prussian war of 1870 71 during a period of insecurity and aggression that is why this new highly illustrated study which covers the entire continent is so valuable the authors examine the major fortified positions and describe their strategic purpose their design and construction and the role they played in military planning and operations the outstanding contribution of the major military architects of the time is a key theme the work of séré de rivières brialmont and others had a major influence on the course of the first world war and on the fortifications built before and during the second world war their approach is visible in the designs for the maginot line the east and west walls of germany the vallo alpino in italy the soviet stalin and molotov lines the mannerheim and salpa lines of finland the greek metaxas line the beneš line of czechoslovakia as well as the defenses built by the dutch and scandinavians the breadth of the coverage the degree of detail and the numerous illustrations make the book essential reading and reference for anyone who has a special interest in the world wars and the history of fortifications this biographical reference work

looks specifically at the lives works and careers of those individuals involved in civil engineering whose careers began before 1830 the later seventeenth and eighteenth centuries have been acclaimed as the classic period of artillery fortification this was an era when fortresses and fortress systems shaped the calculations of strategists and statesmen and often dictated the course of campaigns the age was one of almost constant conflict and this book originally published in 1985 explores the influence of the fortress in the dynastic wars of bourbon habsburg and hohenzollern the contest for influence in the baltic the last crusades of the west against the turks and in the peculiar conditions of colonial campaigning and the war of the american independence the american revolution is seen as a colossal defeat of the powerful british empire by colonial rebels yet the british emerged from the conflict in better shape than the newly independent united states after the revolution became a global conflict with the entry of france spain and later the netherlands on the american side britain s desire to maintain prestige in europe through dominance of her many colonies particularly the west indies and india was the driving force behind british strategy military victories late in the war along with retention of the rest of the empire allowed britain to remain a significant power this history explores the view that great britain did not really lose the revolutionary war the introduction of italy into the second world war on 10 june 1940 signalled the start of the siege of malta and for the next two and a half years the axis powers did all they could to batter the small island into submission maltas defences were initially verging on non existent but the british prime minister winston churchill could not give up on the island laying at the crossroads of the mediterranean where the supply route between italy and the axis armies in libya crossed the allied sea route between gibraltar and alexandria almost exactly at its mid point malta was strategically too important and held the key to the door of the desert war being fought in north africa if malta could be held then it would allow british forces to maintain an offensive capability in the mediterranean and prevent axis supplies from reaching north africa but everything needed to fight a campaign people food fuel ammunition medical stores aircraft and spares would have to be delivered to malta in sufficient numbers and on a regular basis it would take a monumental air and maritime effort just to survive let alone hit back and to manage both would require those in command to carefully balance maltas precious and limited resources otherwise it meant surrender and who knows what the outcome of the second world war might have been had the island fallen here the accomplished military author peter jacobs tells the extraordinary story of the heroic defence and re supply of the fortress island of malta during the longest siege in british history links end links author incredible as it may seem today detailed plans were drawn up to recapture the channel islands the most heavily fortified of all the german occupied territories regardless of the potentially severe loss of life and the widespread destruction to the property of the british citizens under the codenames constellation condor concertina and coverlet the islands of jersey guernsey and alderney were to be attacked in 1943 the operation against alderney would be preceded by a bombardment by between 500 and 600 medium light bombers and an astonishing forty to fifty squadrons of fighters the official papers which have now become available state that the islands cannot be taken without causing some civilian casualties in the case of alderney it is thought that

the air bombardment will have to be on such a scale that all personnel on the island will have to become casualties a similar number of aircraft would attack guernsey while for the assault upon jersey thirty one squadrons of heavy bombers and strike aircraft would bombard the island s east and west coasts this would be followed on d day by parachute and infantry landings and then a commando assault in the south west on day 2 of the operation the first of the tanks were to land with more armor and infantry to follow on subsequent days as the german garrison of the channel islands was some 40 000 strong the islands would be turned into an enormous battlefield and a vast killing ground the consequences for the islanders were almost too horrendous to imagine and the political fallout beyond calculation if the operations failed in their objectives after the devastation and loss of british lives that the fighting had caused despite all this it was thought that such operations would become the second front so persistently demanded by stalin to draw german troops from the eastern front and might also help the allied forces which were about to invade italy operation husky from north africa equally the channel islands would be the ideal base for the d day invasion of france scheduled for 1944 there was much then in favor of mounting the operations against the channel islands regardless of the fact that it meant the death of untold british citizens at the hands of british troops and the allied air forces the allied assault upon hitler s channel island fortress is therefore the first detailed analysis of what would have been the most controversial operation ever undertaken by the british and american armed forces this interesting and well illustrated study focuses on one particular element of the roman navy the classis britannica mason draws on recent excavations of saxon shore forts the remains of the few warships that have been found and the distribution of classis britannica tile stamps in england and along the coast of mainland europe to identify the organization of the british fleet the location of its ports and harbors the type of ships used and the sea paths taken this title uses the individual experiences and achievements of refugee academics and their rescuers to recount britain s relationship with overseas victims of persecution from nazi europe to present day iraq the roman legionary fortress at wroxeter viroconium cornoviorum was built on a strategic crossing point on the river severn though the site of the roman town had long been known through the presence of upstanding ruins the major excavations reported here have shown how the town plan was dominated by the underlying fortress this fortress had been established by legio xivc ad 60 and had then been partially rebuilt c ad 66 when the legion was replaced by legio xx the fortress was downgraded in the late 70s to become a depot for stores before final abandonment c ad 90 the excavations produced extensive evidence for the laying out and construction of the legionary earth and timber defences and of an area within the fortress to the north of the via praetoria where mess halls barrack blocks and a storehouse were found as well as considerable quantities of coins metalwork pottery and glass

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the military historian presents a fascinating reassessment of britain's singapore

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the chapters in this timely interdisciplinary collection with contributions focusing on diverse contexts throughout europe involving a broad range of religious identifications and actors

The Great Fortress: A Chronicle of Louisbourg 1720-1760 2021-08-30

this volume is a critical assessment of the current state of archaeological knowledge of the settlement originally called camulodunon and now known as colchester the town has been the subject of antiquarian interest since the late 16th century and the first modern archaeological excavations occurred in 1845 close to colchester castle the towns most prominent historic site the earliest significant human occupation recorded from colchester dates to the late neolithic but it was only towards the end of the 1st century bc that an oppidum was established in the area this was superseded initially by a roman legionary fortress and then the colonia of camulodunum on a hilltop bounded on the north and east by the river colne there is little evidence for continuing occupation here in the early post roman period but in 917 the town was re established as a burgh and gradually grew in importance after the norman conquest a castle was built on the foundations of the ruined roman temple of claudius and a priory and an abbey were established just to the south of the walled town although the town as elsewhere was affected by the dissolution of the monasteries and the english civil war it remained essentially medieval in character until the 18th century during the 19th century this process of change was accelerated by the arrival of the railway industrialisation and the establishment of the military garrison since the 1960s colchester has been subject to recurring phases of re development the most recent having ended only in 2007 which have had a significant impact on the historic environment fortunately the town is one of the best studied in the country

Island Fortress 2011-09-30

a few of the fortifications and fortified lines of the world wars are well known and have often been written about illustrated and studied but they tend to distract attention from the wide range of fixed defenses constructed across europe on an enormous scale after the franco prussian war of 1870 71 during a period of insecurity and aggression that is why this new highly illustrated study which covers the entire continent is so valuable the authors examine the major fortified positions and describe their strategic purpose their design and construction and the role they played in military planning and operations the outstanding contribution of the major military architects of the time is a key theme the work of séré de rivières brialmont and others had a major influence on the course of the first world war and on the fortifications built before and during the second world war their approach is visible in the designs for the maginot line the east and west walls of germany the vallo alpino in italy the soviet stalin and molotov lines the mannerheim and salpa lines of finland the greek metaxas line the beneš line of czechoslovakia as well as the defenses built by the dutch and scandinavians the

breadth of the coverage the degree of detail and the numerous illustrations make the book essential reading and reference for anyone who has a special interest in the world wars and the history of fortifications

Religion in Fortress Europe 2023-02-23

this biographical reference work looks specifically at the lives works and careers of those individuals involved in civil engineering whose careers began before 1830

Air Pictorial and Air Reserve Gazette 1957

the later seventeenth and eighteenth centuries have been acclaimed as the classic period of artillery fortification this was an era when fortresses and fortress systems shaped the calculations of strategists and statesmen and often dictated the course of campaigns the age was one of almost constant conflict and this book originally published in 1985 explores the influence of the fortress in the dynastic wars of bourbon habsburg and hohenzollern the contest for influence in the baltic the last crusades of the west against the turks and in the peculiar conditions of colonial campaigning and the war of the american independence

Colchester, Fortress of the War God 2013-07-19

the american revolution is seen as a colossal defeat of the powerful british empire by colonial rebels yet the british emerged from the conflict in better shape than the newly independent united states after the revolution became a global conflict with the entry of france spain and later the netherlands on the american side britain s desire to maintain prestige in europe through dominance of her many colonies particularly the west indies and india was the driving force behind british strategy military victories late in the war along with retention of the rest of the empire allowed britain to remain a significant power this history explores the view that great britain did not really lose the revolutionary war

Fortress Europe 2022-06-02

the introduction of italy into the second world war on 10 june 1940 signalled the start of the siege of malta and for the next two and a half years the axis powers did all they could to batter the small island into submission maltas defences were initially verging on non existent but the british prime minister winston churchill could not give up on the island laying at the crossroads of the mediterranean where the supply route between italy and the axis armies in libya crossed the allied sea route between gibraltar and alexandria almost exactly at its mid point malta was strategically too important and held the key to the door of the desert war being fought in north africa if malta could be held then it would allow british forces to maintain an offensive capability in the mediterranean and prevent axis supplies from reaching north africa but everything needed to fight a campaign people food fuel ammunition medical stores aircraft and spares would have to be delivered to

malta in sufficient numbers and on a regular basis it would take a monumental air and maritime effort just to survive let alone hit back and to manage both would require those in command to carefully balance malta's precious and limited resources otherwise it meant surrender and who knows what the outcome of the second world war might have been had the island fallen here the accomplished military author peter jacobs tells the extraordinary story of the heroic defence and re supply of the fortress island of malta during the longest siege in british history links end links author

British Guiana Boundary 1898

incredible as it may seem today detailed plans were drawn up to recapture the channel islands the most heavily fortified of all the german occupied territories regardless of the potentially severe loss of life and the widespread destruction to the property of the british citizens under the codenames constellation condor concertina and coverlet the islands of jersey guernsey and alderney were to be attacked in 1943 the operation against alderney would be preceded by a bombardment by between 500 and 600 medium light bombers and an astonishing forty to fifty squadrons of fighters the official papers which have now become available state that the islands cannot be taken without causing some civilian casualties in the case of alderney it is thought that the air bombardment will have to be on such a scale that all personnel on the island will have to become casualties a similar number of aircraft would attack guernsey while for the assault upon jersey thirty one squadrons of heavy bombers and strike aircraft would bombard the island s east and west coasts this would be followed on d day by parachute and infantry landings and then a commando assault in the south west on day 2 of the operation the first of the tanks were to land with more armor and infantry to follow on subsequent days as the german garrison of the channel islands was some 40 000 strong the islands would be turned into an enormous battlefield and a vast killing ground the consequences for the islanders were almost too horrendous to imagine and the political fallout beyond calculation if the operations failed in their objectives after the devastation and loss of british lives that the fighting had caused despite all this it was thought that such operations would become the second front so persistently demanded by stalin to draw german troops from the eastern front and might also help the allied forces which were about to invade italy operation husky from north africa equally the channel islands would be the ideal base for the d day invasion of france scheduled for 1944 there was much then in favor of mounting the operations against the channel islands regardless of the fact that it meant the death of untold british citizens at the hands of british troops and the allied air forces the allied assault upon hitler s channel island fortress is therefore the first detailed analysis of what would have been the most controversial operation ever undertaken by the british and american armed forces

A Biographical Dictionary of Civil Engineers in Great Britain and Ireland: 1500-1830 2002

this interesting and well illustrated study focuses on one particular element of the roman navy the classis britannica mason draws on recent excavations of saxon shore forts the remains of the few warships that have been found and the distribution of classis britannica tile stamps in england and along the coast of mainland europe to identify the organization of the british fleet the location of its ports and harbors the type of ships used and the sea paths taken

On Britain 1982

this title uses the individual experiences and achievements of refugee academics and their rescuers to recount britain s relationship with overseas victims of persecution from nazi europe to present day iraq

The Fortress in the Age of Vauban and Frederick the Great 1660-1789 2015-10-05

the roman legionary fortress at wroxeter viroconium cornoviorum was built on a strategic crossing point on the river severn though the site of the roman town had long been known through the presence of upstanding ruins the major excavations reported here have shown how the town plan was dominated by the underlying fortress this fortress had been established by legio xivc ad 60 and had then been partially rebuilt c ad 66 when the legion was replaced by legio xx the fortress was downgraded in the late 70s to become a depot for stores before final abandonment c ad 90 the excavations produced extensive evidence for the laying out and construction of the legionary earth and timber defences and of an area within the fortress to the north of the via praetoria where mess halls barrack blocks and a storehouse were found as well as considerable quantities of coins metalwork pottery and glass

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