

Ancient Riddles to Test Our Wits: The Secret Chamber

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This stone with a Latin inscription was found in rural New York.



Obverse side of stone with a Latin inscription found in rural New York. Numbers read 45 30 and 75 53.

Another ancient riddle presents itself in stone. This one is also from rural New York. The very readable words 'In camera' are still used today. It is a legal term in Latin for behind closed doors or in secret. What secret does this stone hold?

Roman numerals were in common use until the 11th century when they began to be replaced by Arabic style. They persisted into the 15th century and in some instances are still used today. The numbers read: XLV = 45, XXX = 30, LXXV = 75, and LIII = 53.

What then do the numbers mean? Hint. Notice $30 + 45 = 75$. When does 45 equal 75?

Perhaps in true 'Da Vinci Code' style the words In Camera are an anagram or in an entirely different language?

Find the words in italics on the front face:

Baal stuck the *center* of the *rule* that *governs* the world.
The *eye* marks the *angle* that divides.
The *smoking rocks* struck deep into the *mountain of ice*
and the *water flowed*.

The numbers read:

XLV = 45, XXX = 30,

LXXV = 75, and LIII = 53.

Notice $30 + 45 = 75$. When does 45 equal 75? And what of the other numbers?

- 45 minutes equals .75 hours.
- .53 radians equals 30 degrees.
- 45 and 30 as 4530 is 79 radians.
- The sum of 75, 53 and 30 is 158 or twice 79.
- The sum of all four numbers is 203. There are 360 degrees in a circle. $203 / 360 = .564$.

Notice that if the numbers in the top line are adjusted to be 4.5 and 3.0 then:

- Sum 75 to 4.5 and find 79.5 and then sum 53 to 3.0 and find 56.0.

The hidden numbers then are 79, 79, 79.5, 56, .564. The association with time, degrees and radians suggests measures of longitude and latitude. What lies at 79 degrees West and 56 degrees North?

Perhaps the two V's are lined up for a reason. They point downwards between the A and M of Cam in 'In camera.' The word 'am' in Old English means 'reed' suggesting a measuring stick. The word 'cam' suggests came. The picture has a ruler on an index which reinforces the previous idea. Are the two V's double daggers or twin comets? Does it say "in - came -arrows"? Is the octopus actually a smoking crater in a mountain of ice? In Old English 'Amier' means destroyed. Notice these other words: LIN or Line, MAC or make, LAER or lair, and there are three X's in a row.

Is the phrase 'IN CAMERA' an anagram for:

- Can I mare ... meaning ...'round eye sea'?
- Mark lie in A ...?
- I name Carl ... meaning... 'I, Carl, wrote this'
- N. America?

Furthermore, if the Younger Futhark Alphabet and its number equivalents are used, the text can be transliterated into numbers so that it reads:

Text	into numbers	and sums.
XL V XXX	10 15 2 10 10 10	Sum is 57
LXX V LIII	15 10 10 2 15 9 9 9	Sum is 79. ✓
IN CAM ERA	9 8 6 10 14 9 5 10	Sum is 71.

Notice 9,8,6,10,14,9 sums to 56 and is followed by 5,10 or 565,10. This looks remarkably like 56.5 and the numeric value of Yahweh 5,6,5,10.

Sometimes the longitude and/or latitude of the location where a stone was inscribed is recorded in the text. The problem is the location has to be known first. The sum 71 looks like the longitude of Newport, Rhode Island area. The sum of the 15 and 9,9,9 is 42 which is remarkably close to its latitude as well. Boston Harbor has values 71.0° W and 42.36° N. The Nomans Land Inscription was found at 71° W and 41.3°N. The three X's sum to 30. Newfoundland Island is at 56.5°W and 48°N. The sum from 10 to 10 in the last line is 48. Since the subject of the numbers discussed at the beginning is latitude/longitude, it is highly likely that some location is recorded here in addition to the location of the 'secret chamber.' These locations are implied by the numeric text.

There is perhaps a date here as well. Notice the word ERA which means 'time period.' Numerically this is 9,5,10. Just above this word is the number LIII or 53 and the second line if summed as 15,10,10,2,15,1 and 1,1 is ... 53 and 2 or 532 which repeats the 53. This number 532 is important to dates in that the Perpetual Easter Calendar is on a 532 year cycle. To use the table three numbers are required: the Golden Number (GN), Day Letter (DL), and usually the line number or some way to narrow down the possibilities.

In this case using ERA or 9,5,10 the date 1130 is found. This is line #19, GN 10, DL 5. The three III in the Latin numerals provides for the 11 in 1130. The 30 is above in the XXX. This is the most likely date but it should be noted that the following dates can also be found and are also supported by the text: 1112,1211,1009,1199,1015,1201,and 1220. All of them are plausible but 1130 is the most clearly stated. We shall just conclude:

*Carl wrote this in 1130 on the east coast of America.
In the North lies the Eye Can Sea where in a line are three marks
in the melting ice mountains from the double comet.
They struck at the pinnacle, at the measuring point.
The three are the lairs in camera.*

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