Attachment B – Italy

Rome and Environs

i – New Danish-Italian excavations have uncovered far more than <u>Caesar's monumental forum</u> <u>project:</u> three thousand years of daily life in Rome

ii - The "<u>Schola del Traiano</u>" reopens in Ostia Antica

iii - Two rooms of Palazzo Clementino host the exhibit "<u>I colori dell'Antico</u>"

iv - The story of the prehistoric elephant and Rome's lost hill

The surprise discovery came about during frantic works to bulldoze a path through the Velia or Velian hill - a spur between the north side of the Palatine Hill and the Oppian Hill - as part of Mussolini's plans to connect the Colosseum with Piazza Venezia.

v - A new museum in Rome – it's really FAB! Horti Lamiani Nymphaeum

vi - The <u>Case Romane del Celio</u>, 20 rooms on various levels beneath SS. Giovanni e Paolo. Insulae & Domus - really excellent to visit!

vii - <u>'Archaeological Box on the Aventine Hill</u>' opens to larger tour groups. The remains of a magnificent Roman villa buried for almost 2,000 years at the foot of Rome's <u>Aventine Hill</u> opens to larger numbers of visitors on 1st & 3rd Friday of the month

viii – New <u>Museo della Cucina</u> is tucked between the Circus Maximus and Palatine Hill: Rome's new museum dedicated to cooking it turns out, the museum isn't just on the Palatine but on the specific location where Romulus and Remus, the legendary founders of Rome, were breastfed by the Roman wolf goddess Lupa

ix - Confirmed: <u>Curia of Pompey</u>, where Julius Caesar was killed, was built in three phases. Chemical and petrographic analysis bolsters earlier stratigraphic findings.

x - Darius Arya on Twitter: "Great completed restoration of the <u>Capitoline hill facing facade of the</u> <u>Arch of Septimius Severus</u>"

xi - <u>Invasive Plants Are Threatening Rome's Ancient Monuments Researchers found that the roots of</u> <u>an invasive plant caused damage to Rome's third-century Aurelian Walls</u>

Pompeii

i – Pompeii: History and Reconstruction of the Ancient Italian City

ii – Advance notice for those of a nervous disposition – pupil giggle alert!

a - Pompeii Heats Up With a <u>New Exhibition of Erotic Art</u>. The show encompasses 70 works from the archeological site's vast troves, including the famous "Leda and the Swan" fresco recovered in 2018

b - "<u>Art and Sensuality in the Houses of Pompeii</u>" is on view now until January 15, 2023, at Pompeii Archaeological Park.

c - Pompeii show to focus on erotic art

iii - The Dead Speak (Children's Graffiti)

iv - <u>Robot dog</u> called in to help manage Pompeii. <u>Spot will be used to identify safety and structural</u> <u>issues including tunnels dug by relic thieves</u>

v - Researchers have rebuilt a Pompeian house in virtual reality

vi - <u>St. Olaf professor unearths new solution to Pompeii graffiti</u> - NOT created by traveling merchants from modern-day Jordan, but written by Arab nomads serving in a Roman Legion.

vii - Part 1 of the 5th 30-minute segment of the ProWalk Tours Virtual Pompeii Walk

viii - <u>Twitter Thread</u>: "The Antiquarium of Pompeii was built by Giuseppe Fiorelli between 1873 and 1874 in the area below the terrace of the Temple of Venus, overlooking Porta Marina

Elsewhere

i - Monumental Structure in Sicily Isn't a Phoenician Harbor – It's a Huge Sacred Pool of Baal. The kothon of Motya in southern Sicily had first been assumed to be an artificial harbor. <u>It wasn't</u>, <u>archaeologist Lorenzo Nigro of Sapienza proves</u>

ii - <u>The Archaeological Gallery in the Royal Palace of the house of Savoy</u>, Turin, has reopened after an extensive redesign. More than 1,000 ancient artefacts and artworks, many of which have never before been on public display