

The earliest discovery of Neandertal remains was in 1830 in Engis, Belgium, but not recognized until 1936.



Engis, Belgium
Rail cancel



Machine cancel with commemorative slogan



Abbeville to Paris, France, 8 October 1847

Jacques Boucher de Perthes discovered ice age stone tools in 1847 near Abbeville, France.

Discovery of these tools provided even more evidence for the existence of a prehistoric man.

In 1848, Forbes Quarry, Gibraltar, produced a Neandertal skull which remained unrecognized until 1907, long after description of the German specimen in 1857.



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