



The remains of ancient salt workings have been discovered – underneath the present-day salt workings of **Maldon Crystal Salt Company**.

Workmen were digging underneath a steel salt pan at the company's Downs Road works, when they came across some ancient brickwork that had been turned into solid rock by salt water.

Remains

It was thought that the remains could be Roman, but county archaeologist Mr John Hedges, pictured (right) with Mr Cyril Osborne of the salt company says the remains are probably late mediaeval in origin.

But, he says, this does confirm the fact that salt production has been a Maldon industry for several hundred years.