January 10, 1853.

The Rev. WILLIAM STEVENSON, D.D., in the Chair.

The following Gentlemen were elected Fellows of the Society:—

Francis Aberdeen, Esq., Montrose.
Rev. J. Logan Aikman, M.A.
John Macdonald, Esq., Town-Clerk of Arbroath.
George Manson, Esq., Corstorphine.

Various Donations were laid on the Table, including a curious Stone Mould, found in digging the foundation of a house at Dalkeith, the property of the donor, Mr John Gray, merchant there. The stone measures 4½ inches in length, by 3½ inches in breadth, and each side is cut, forming the half of the moulds for casting fibulae, or buckles, of different sizes and patterns. In digging into what appeared to be the undisturbed soil, entirely beneath the foundation of a former old house, which was pulled down for the purpose of being rebuilt, the remains of a small circular building, like a kiln, were brought to light. Within this were bones, ashes, and charcoal, and among them the mould here figured, which adds another and curious variety to the examples of this interesting class of relics.
A Feruginous Conglomerate, found among shingle in the Isle of Wight in 1852, and inclosing a hooked implement of iron: by W. C. Patrick of Ladyland, Esq., F.S.A. Scot.

Japanese Gold Coin, presented by Forcade, bishop of Japan, to the Donor: by Andrew Shortrede, Esq., Hong-Kong.

One-Eight of Mark of James VI., 1601, found at the Roman Camp, Harburn: by James Cochrane of Harburn, Esq.

Copper Coin, found in Perthshire, inscribed in Greek and Arian Characters,—of Azes, a Scythian Prince, who conquered Hermæus, the last of the Greek Kings of Bactria, circa B.C. 120: by James Drummond, Esq., F.S.A. Scot.


The communications read were as follow: