MINUTES OF THE ANNIVERSARY MEETING OF THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND
HELD IN THE LIBRARY ON MONDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER 1959 AT 4 P.M., THE RIGHT HON.
LORD CLYDE, LL.D., PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.
Mr Grant Simpson and Mr A. Fenton were appointed Scrutineers of the Ballot for
Office-Bearers.

The Ballot having been concluded, the Scrutineers found and declared the List of the
Council for the ensuing year to be as follows:

President
The Right Hon. LORD CLYDE, LL.D.

Vice-Presidents
Mrs M. E. C. STEWART, PH.D.
KENNETH A. STEER, M.A., PH.D., F.S.A.
J. M. DAVIDSON, O.B.E., F.C.I.S., F.S.A.
Councillors

GORDON DONALDSON, M.A., PH.D., D.LITT.
Professor Kenneth Jackson, M.A., LITT.D., F.B.A.
ALAN RAE, M.A.
Professor W. Croft Dickinson, M.C., M.A., D.LITT., LL.D.

Professor Denys Hay, M.A.
William Kirk, M.A.
Iain MacIvor, M.A.
B. R. S. Megaw, B.A., F.S.A.
The Hon. Lord Migdale, Q.C., M.A.

Secretaries

ANGUS GRAHAM, M.A., F.S.A.
J. G. Scott, B.A.

For Foreign Correspondence

Professor Stuart Piggott, D.LITT.HUM., LITT.D., F.B.A., F.S.A.
Miss Anne S. Robertson, M.A., F.M.A.

Treasurer

JAMES J. LAMB, O.B.E., M.A., LL.B., W.S.

Expert Advisers

JAMES S. RICHARDSON, LL.D., H.R.S.A.
Professor Ian A. Richmond, C.B.E., M.A., LL.D., F.B.A., F.S.A.
Robert Kerr, O.B.E., M.A.
M. R. Dobie, C.B.E., B.A.

In addition the Keeper of the Museum (R. B. K. Stevenson, M.A., F.S.A.), is, ex-officio, a Member of Council and also The Right Hon. the Earl of Haddington, KT., M.C., T.D., LL.D., while he is one of the Society's representatives on the Board of Trustees for the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland.

The President then expressed the gratitude of the Society to the retiring Office-Bearers for their work as Members of Council.

A Ballot having been taken, the following were elected Fellows:

D. A. Bullough, M.A., 4 Gillespie Crescent, Edinburgh, 10.
Mrs T. Henry, 153 Kingsdown Road, Carlisle.
H. O. Hopkins, M.A., D.A.A., Viewfield Cottage, Viewlands Road, Perth.
T. E. Kempshall, 36 Glendower Avenue, Coventry.
Miss M. MacGregor, 12 Grange Terrace, Edinburgh, 9.

The Secretary read the following List of Members deceased during the year 1958-9:

Fellows Elected

W. M. Alexander, LL.D., 110 Hamilton Place, Aberdeen 1929
Alan Orr Anderson, M.A., LL.D., 24 Bruce Road, Dundee. (Hon. Fellow) 1947
W. A. Anderson, M.A., 22 Greenbank Loan, Edinburgh, 12. 1949
A. Leslie Armstrong, M.C., F.S.I., F.S.A., Richmond Lodge, Bowdon, Cheshire. 1910
James Birrell, 10 Canmore Street, Dunfermline. 1946*
R. S. Boggon, The Firs, Dykehead, Shotts. 1954
William Bryce, J.P., 21 Second Avenue, Glasgow, S.4. 1948
J. A. Clark, Loch Leven Hotel, North Ballachulish, Onich, Fort William. 1938
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Miss E. S. Dunlop, Huntfield, Biggar. 1923
Herbert Henderson, 9 Union Street, Greenock. 1953
C. B. C. Hunter, Coigach, 16 Briar Road, Newlands, Glasgow, S.3. 1944*
J. Kevan McDowall, Carseminnoch, 3 Airlour Road, Newlands, Glasgow, S.3. 1939
R. G. MacLean, 32 Bank Street, Dundee. 1932
W. E. G. Muir, w.s., 42 Dick Place, Edinburgh, 9. 1958
F. Russell, 3 Tircarra Place, Broughty Ferry, Dundee. 1943
Lt.-Col. Edward D. Stevenson, M.C., C.V.O., 4 Great Stuart Street, Edinburgh. 1933
The Rt. Hon. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, 2 Curzon Place, London, W.1. 1930*
J. F. Sturrock, St Helens, Aberfeldy. 1933
J. R. Vickers, Belvoir, St Bede's, East Boldon, Co. Durham. 1951
H. Steward Watling, Plas Conwy, Gogarth, Llandudno, N. Wales. 1904
Mrs M. C. P. Weir, The Manse, Davidson's Mains, Edinburgh, 4. 1959
David S. Wishart, A.M.I.C.E., Pittarrow, Abernethy, Perthshire. 1945*

The following have intimated their resignation: Mrs M. Courtauld; Mrs V. M. Gwynne; J. Nelson, F.R.P.S.; G. P. A. Pearce, A.A.I.; S. M. Scott.

The Secretary read the following Report by the Council on the affairs of the Society.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Council herewith submits to the Fellows of the Society its Report for the year ending 30th November 1959.

Fellowship. 74 Fellows were elected during the past year, a considerably higher number than in any recent year. 22 Fellows died including one Honorary Fellow, 5 resigned and 10 allowed their membership to lapse. There are therefore at present 939 Fellows, 7 Honorary Fellows, 1 Lady Associate and 2 Corresponding members. The number of Fellows at the same date last year was 902. The Council hope shortly to recommend to the Society names of some eminent archaeologists for election as Honorary Fellows.

Meetings. Meetings of the Society were held monthly from October to April with the addition of the Anniversary Meeting and an extra meeting in the spring for Professor Richmond's annual report on his work at Inchtuthil. Attendance at meetings continues to be good and there is a steady increasing use of the library by Fellows (mostly from Edinburgh) and quite a number also write in for information, help in checking references, etc.

Rhind Lectureship. Professor D. Talbot Rice delivered the Rhind Lectures last winter, his subject being The Role of Constantinople in Byzantine Art. This proved to be a popular subject following the Byzantine exhibition held during the 1958 Edinburgh Festival. In the spring of 1960 Mr J. B. Ward Perkins, the Director of the British School at Rome, will be the Rhind Lecturer, his subject being Roman Imperial Art.

Proceedings. Unfortunately the printing strike and the subsequent blockage of work both at the printers and binders seriously delayed volume xc, but this has now been published: the whole of volume xcii is now with the printers and it is hoped to catch up on the delay in publication and to issue this next spring. The Society exchanges its Proceedings for the publications of 129 Societies, British and Foreign, and 73 libraries subscribe.
Excavations. Grants were made either for excavation or survey work to the following: Mr Calder, Mr Feachem, Miss Henshall, Dr Steer, Mrs Stewart, Mr Simpson and Miss Marshall. Dr Steer's excavation was the first to be financed out of the legacy left to the Society by Sir George Macdonald for work on Roman sites in Scotland.

Gunning Fellowship. There was no award of the Gunning Fellowship this year.

Chalmers-Jervise Prize. The first competition for the Chalmers-Jervise Prize under the new regulations was held this year. The Prize is now worth £50 and will be awarded every other year. It is open to Fellows of the Society under the age of thirty and to others without age limit. Some of the entries this year are clearly of a higher standard than for some time past, and it is hoped that an award will be made shortly.

This Report was unanimously approved on the motion of the President seconded by Mr A. R. Cross.

The Treasurer then made a statement regarding the funds of the Society for 1958–9, which had been duly audited. The position was considerably more favourable than last year, partly owing to the fact that the printers' bill had not yet been received, but also owing to the repayment of tax on subscriptions paid under Deed of Covenant. The Accounts were unanimously approved on the motion of the President seconded by Mr Hendrie.

In the absence of Mr Stevenson on sick leave, Mr Maxwell, Assistant Keeper, gave a brief talk to commemorate the centenary of the opening of the Society’s new rooms in the Royal Institution on the Mound. A small exhibition of some of the principal objects which the Society then handed over to the Nation was on view.

Mr Grant Simpson suggested that the time at which the Society met made it difficult for Fellows who were working to get to meetings, and asked if it would be possible for a later time to be chosen. The President promised that the matter would be brought before the Council.

At the conclusion of the meeting sherry was served to Fellows and friends.