EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM THE COUNCILLOR OF STATE, C. C. RAFN,
SECRETARY OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF NORTHERN ANTIQUARIES,
COPENHAGEN, TO J. M. MITCHELL, ESQ., F.S.A. SCOT.

Mr Mitchell stated that he had received a communication in the Danish lan-
guage from Mr Councillor of State C. C. Rafn, the Secretary of the "Royal
Society of Northern Antiquaries," of which he had made a translation for the
information of this Society. Mr Rafn states that next spring he would have ready
his remarks on a Danish Runic stone found at Linding, on the Runic inscrip-
tions on the tomb of King Gorm, &c. In the "Annals," as well as in the "Ant-
tiquarian Magazine" (Antiquarik Tidskift), and in the "Memoires des Anti-
quaries du Nord," will be found several articles regarding the British Islands.

Mr Rafn states that he had made a tour for antiquarian purposes to Switzer-
land and Italy, particularly to examine the Runic inscription on the Marble Lion
from the Piræus, now at Venice, of which he will soon prepare a description,
as well as of 60 Runic inscriptions which, at the Society's expense, he had got
restored and examined. Mr Mitchell thought it important that the Society
should be informed that these important journeys into other and distant coun-
tries by the learned Secretary of that Society were liberally made at the expense
of the Government of that country.

May 14, 1855.

RICHARD HUIE, M.D., in the Chair.

The Donations included:—
A Rustic Chair, which belonged to Allan Ramsay the Poet: and
A Chinese Puzzle: by EDWARD HUIE, Esq., F.S.A. Scot.
Raleigh's History of the World, and two other Volumes: by J.
C. ROGER, Esq., F.S.A. Scot., Govan.
A large Bronze Leaf-shaped Sword, 3 feet 4 inches in length: and a large Bronze Caldron, in fine preservation: BEQUEATHED
TO THE SOCIETY, by the late ARCHIBALD LECKIE, Esq., F.S.A.
Scot., Paisley.
The following Antiquities were exhibited to the Meeting:—

A Miniature of Prince Charles Stuart, with part of the original (Highland pattern) Ribbon: and

An Antique Highland Powder Horn, with the inscribed date of 1683: by James Drummond, Esq., F.S.A. Scot.

An Old Silver Watch, said to have once belonged to Prince Charles Stuart: by Robert Chambers, Esq., F.S.A. Scot.

The Communications read were the following:—