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NOTICES OF RECENT FINDS OF COINS IN SCOTLAND. By GEORGE SIM, Esq., F.S.a. Scot., Curator of Coins.

Forgandenty.
On Saturday, 15th May last, while a number of workmen were engaged in making excavations for the foundations of cottages on the estate of Freeland, in Perthshire, they came upon a jar, which on being broken to pieces brought to light a large number of ancient silver coins. The workmen divided the coins amongst them, and afterwards sold them to various parties, including the proprietor of the estate, who purchased a considerable number for L.5. The procurator-fiscal at Perth succeeded in recovering a very few of the coins, which were sent to Exchequer. The following is a list.

List of the Coins.
English.—Edward III., London Groats, . . . 4
Edward III., Half-Groats, . . . . . . 5
Henry IV., V., or VI.
Groats of Calais, . . . . . 8
Half-Groats of Calais, . . . . . 2
Groat of London, . . . . . 1
Penny of York, . . . . . 1
Scottish.—David II., Half-Groat of Perth, . . . 1
James I., Groats, . . . . . . 4
James II., Groats of Edinburgh, . . . . 7
Groat of Stirling (rare), . . . . 1
Illegible Coins, . . . . . . 3
Total, 37
Hawick.
The coins enumerated in the list annexed, and others, not recovered by the procurator-fiscal, were found on 10 th September last, by Mr David Kennedy, druggist, Hawick, while digging a foundation for a
house in the High Street of that town. The coins having got scattered amongst the workpeople and others, were at different times, and with difficulty, recovered by the procurator-fiscal, and sent to Exchequer.

As there are none of the common "Servio" 1557 placks of Mary in the hoard, and as the latest of the coins are hardheads of 1555 , we can very nearly approach the date of the deposit.

## List of Coins.

French.--Francis I., Ecu (poor and pierced), . . . 1
English.-Henry VIII., Base Groats of York, London, and Bristol (all poor),15
Haff-Groat of London, ..... 1
Edward VI., Testoons, or side-faced shillings (mostly poor), ..... 4
Scottish.-James III. and IV., Placks (mostly very poor, a feware well preserved, and a few have the numeral " 4 " after" Jacobus,"81
James IV., Unicorn with "XC." under unicorn (fine and very rare), . . . . . . 1
James V., Placks (well preserved), . ..... 35
One-third Side-faced Groat, ..... 1
Mary, Lion with "Scotorum Regina" (very rare and fine), . ..... 1
Half-Lion, 1553 (fine), ..... 1
Testoon "Dilicie," \&c. (rather tine), ..... 1
Hardheads (two fine), ..... 3
Edinburgh Placks, varieties (miny fine), ..... 392
Do., Half-Placks (many fine), ..... 16
Stirling Placks (well preserved), ..... 4
Penny, with Bust, arched crown (fine), ..... 1'Total,558

Rannooh.
About the beginning of December last, the coins of which the following is a list were found at Rannoch, in Perthshire, and sent to Exchequer, but I have not been able to learn the particulars of the discovery.
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List of Coins.
English.-Elizabeth, Shillings (all very poor), . ..... 10
Elizabeth, Sixpences (all very poor), ..... 40
James I., Half-Crown, "Quae Deus," \&c., ..... 1
Shillings, Do., ..... 3
Sixpences, Do., ..... 10
Do., " Exurgat," \&c., . ..... 4
Charles I., Half-Crowns, all with oval shield and varied mintmarks, but being mucb clipped, the mint marks could not
be seen on many, ..... 14
Scottish Half-Crown (bent die), mint mark, a thistle, "Quae Deus," \&c. ..... 1
English Shillings, many clipped, mint marks varied, ..... 48
Sixpences (well preserved), mint marks anchor upright, and horizontal, $\Delta$, ©., \&c., . ..... 14
Spanish Dollars of Philip IV., ..... 7Dollars of Albert and Elizabeth, Duke and Duchess of Bur-gundy, 1620,3
Total, ..... 155

## Creggan.

About the beginning of January, a lot of Scottish coins were found at Creggan, in Argyleshire, and transmitted to Exchequer. No particulars have been given. The finding of these farthings in company with so many coins of James IV. would have been conclusive that these small coins really belonged to James IV. and not to James II. (as stated in Mr Lindsay's original work', if Mr Pollexfen had n8t long ago settled the question.
List of Coins.
James III., Groat of Edinburgh, ..... 1
James III. and IV., Placks (several with numeral 4), ..... 182
James IV., Black Farthings ; rev. crowns and fleurs de lis, ..... 36

## Glenquatch.

The coins, of which the following is a list, were found last month on the ledge of a rock at Glenquaich, in Perthshire. They were enclosed in a stoneware jar or bottle, which broke in pieces on being lifted, except the neck and upper part. The coins were recovered by the procurator-fiscal at Perth, and transmitted to Exchequer. They all appear to have been long in circulation (those of William being least rubbed), and were probably deposited in the reign of Anne.

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## List of Coins.

Charles II. Bawbees, ..... 218
Turners, ..... 14
Bodles, ..... 12
Willliam and Mary Bawbees, ..... 16
Bodles, ..... 31
William III. Bawbee, 1695-1697, ..... 18
Bodles, ..... 34
Obliterated Bodles, ..... 6
Louis XIV. small Silver Coin, ..... 1
Total, ..... 350

