

the Liverpool Public Museum, the noble gift of the late Joseph Mayer of that city. It is strange to find such a collection so far from the spot, especially as the Canterbury Museum, only six miles away, cannot show anything to approach it.

I may add that all the pieces described from my own collection have come to me direct from the finders, and have never been in the hands of a dealer.

MONDAY, 11th January 1892.

COLONEL T. P. WHITE, R.E., in the Chair.

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

FRANCIS LENNOX CANNING, Architect to the Orange Free State, S. Africa.
 HENRY JOHNSTONE, M.A. Oxon., 58 Melville Street.
 DAVID JOHNSTON, Writer, Glasgow.
 HUGH HANDYSIDE PILLANS, Royal Bank, Hunter Square.
 G. GREGORY SMITH, Assistant to the Professor of Rhetoric, &c., Edinburgh.
 JAMES SPENCE, Banker, Dundee.

The following Donations to the Museum and Library were laid on the table, and thanks voted to the Donors :—

(1) By JAMES BELL, Gilchorn, Inverkeillor, through ALEXANDER HUTCHESON, F.S.A. Scot.

Cinerary Urn, 16 inches in height, small cup-shaped Urn, 2¼ inches in height, found within the larger urn, and fragments of another small cup-shaped Urn, also found within the same ; Cinerary Urn, 15 inches in height ; Knife or Dagger Blade of Bronze, 3 inches in length, with notches at the base ; Knife or Dagger Blade in three fragments, 5¼ inches in length ; Knife or Dagger Blade in six portions, 3½ inches in length, with two parallel lines or flutings along the edge ; oblong oval Bead of Whitish Glass ; Scraper of Flint, and cup-marked Stone of Sandstone ;—

all found in a cairn on the farm of Gilchorn, excavated by Mr Hutcheson, as described in the previous paper by him in the *Proceedings*, vol. xxv. p. 447.

(2) By Dr ROBERT MUNRO, *Secretary*.

Collection of rude Flint Implements and Flakes, from Larne, County Antrim, Ireland.

(3) By Miss BROWN, of Lanfine, through Dr ROBERT MUNRO, *Secretary*.

Urn of "food-vessel" type, found at Wallacetown, Ayr.
 Brass tripod Water-Ewer, found at Carleith, four miles from Lanfine.
 Copper Jug, probably a measure.
 Pieces of Baked Clay and Bone from an Urn, found near Tarbolton.
 Six Vases, Græco-Italian.

(4) By JOHN G. WINNING.

Urn of "drinking-cup" type, $8\frac{1}{4}$ inches in height, from a cist at Eckford. [See the previous communication by Mr Winning, in the *Proceedings*, vol. xxv. p. 29.]

(5) By Rev. J. A. LEGH-CAMPBELL, F.S.A. Scot.

Pocket Sun-Dial of Ivory.

(6) By J. T. IRVINE, F.S.A. Scot.

Sheep List, and List of Sheep-marks, 1829-77, chiefly relating to the Holm of Gloup, Shetland.

Rubbing of Incised Sepulchral Slab in the nave of Dunfermline Abbey, showing the drapery of a figure and part of the inscription, the incised lines of which have been filled in with lead. The rubbing was taken in September 1856.

(7) By R. BURNS BEGG, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

Isabella Burns (Mrs Begg), a Memoir by her Grandson. 8vo, 1891.

(8) By ROBERT BROWN, LL.D., the Author.

Carlisle to Hexham, and the Roman Wall. 12mo, 1891.

(9) By THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

An Account of the Caves at Nadur and Karsambla. By Henry Cousens.

(10) By WILLIAM F. DOBSON, the Author.

History of the Bassandyne Bible. 8vo, Edinburgh, 1887.

(11) By H. B. M'CALL, F.S.A. Scot.

Some Ancient Families. 4to, 1891. Privately printed.

(12) By JAMES MACDONALD, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

Place-Names in Strathbogie. 8vo, 1891.

(13) By P. H. M'KERLIE, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

Galloway in Ancient and Modern Times. 8vo, 1891.

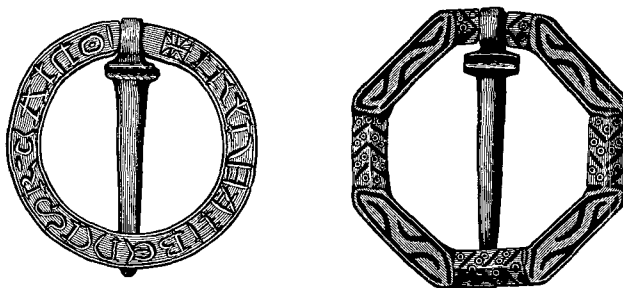
There were also exhibited :—

(1) By THE QUEEN'S REMEMBRANCER.

Large Cooking-Pot of Brass, found at Mochrum Loch, Wigtownshire.

Two penannular Armlets of Silver, and a Foreign Sterling, found in the Churchyard of Tarbat, Ross-shire.

Two inscribed Silver Brooches, and an Earthenware Jar, in which 150 Silver Pennies, consisting of 143 Edwards, 4 of Alexander III., 1 of Baliol, and 2 Foreign Sterlings, were found in the area of the Old Fort at Ayr. The Brooches are interesting, as their association with the coins assigns them to a date not later than the reign of Baliol. They are here figured of the actual size. The circular brooch (fig. 1) is of the commoner form, a plain flat circular band of silver with a tongue like that of a



Figs. 1, 2. Silver Brooches found in the Old Fort, Ayr, with Coins of Edwards and Baliol.

buckle. On the obverse is the inscription, deeply incised, .ih[E]s[vs] NAZARENVS REX IV[DEORVM]. The letters are very rudely formed, and much blundered, some being reversed or laid sideways. This inscription was very commonly placed on brooches as a charm to protect the wearer from various evil influences. The other brooch, which is of baser silver, is octagonal in form, and has a variant of the same inscription engraved on alternate panels of the circumference on the reverse, while the obverse is decorated with a pattern inlaid in niello, as shown in fig. 2.

(2) By JOHN KIRSOP, 15 Westbourne Terrace, Glasgow.

Scotland's General Description, with Maps, engraved by Petrus Kærius, 1599.

Les Delices de la Grande Bretagne (L'Ecosse), being the Plates of Slezer's *Theatrum Scotiae*, engraved in reduced size, and printed at Leyden, 1707.

(3) By WILLIAM STEELE, F.S.A. Scot., Melrose.

Button of Jet, found at New Cumnock, Ayrshire. It is of the usual broad, flat, conical form characteristic of these objects of the Bronze Age, called buttons of jet, and has the perforations made from the back in the usual way, slanting upwards from both sides to meet under the raised centre of the button.

The following Communications were read :—