supplied the photographs at figs. 5 and 12, and Mr J. Fenton Wyness, Aberdeen, prepared the measured drawings and took the photograph at fig. 7. The drawing at fig. 11 was made by Mr James S. Richardson, F.S.A.Scot., H.M. Inspector of Ancient Monuments for Scotland, who has also done me the honour to read carefully through my manuscript and to go over the church in my company, and has furnished me with much helpful criticism, whereby I have been able to improve my description in several important respects.

#### MONDAY, 12th January 1925.

# JOHN BRUCE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

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

GEORGE M. DAVIDSON, Architect and Surveyor, Thorndon, Dunblane.
Rev. RODERICK MACCOWAN, Free Church Manse, Kiltarlity, Invernessshire.
Rev. DONALD MACKINNON, Free Church Manse, Portree, Skye.
WALTER GRAHAM MONTGOMERY, Kinross House, Kinross.
JOHN MITCHELL MURDOCH, Editor, Ayrshire Post, Caxton, 41 Craigie Road, Ayr.
JOHN SMITH, 25 St James Square.

Miss RANOLINA STEWART, 23 Blacket Place.

J. FENTON WYNESS, 45 Salisbury Terrace, Aberdeen.

The following Donations to the Museum were intimated and thanks voted to the Donors:---

(1) By The Hon. Madame NASOS, from the collection of her father, the late Lord Abercromby, LL.D., F.S.A.Scot.

Flint Arrow-head, barbed, measuring  $\frac{15}{16}$  inch by  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch, of greyishyellow colour, found in a grave under a cairn known as Carn Glas, at Kilcoy, Ross-shire, 10th March 1906, in the presence of Lord Abercromby.

Half of a slate Mould, measuring  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch by  $1\frac{7}{16}$  inch by  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch, with a circular matrix on one side for casting a badge, showing a quadruped with the Greek letters  $\Phi$  A on either side, from Crete.

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Stone Whorl, measuring  $1\frac{3}{16}$  inch in diameter and  $\frac{17}{32}$  inch thick, from Fife.

Hemispherical hand-made Vessel of clay, measuring  $3\frac{5}{16}$  inches in diameter externally at the mouth and  $1\frac{5}{8}$  inch in height, with a very thin wall of dark coloured ware, and a rim fragment of another handmade clay Vessel, measuring  $4\frac{3}{8}$  inches in length by  $3\frac{1}{8}$  inches in height, of hard reddish ware with smooth surface, ornamented in the hollow under the rim with groups of obliquely curved incised lines, and on the

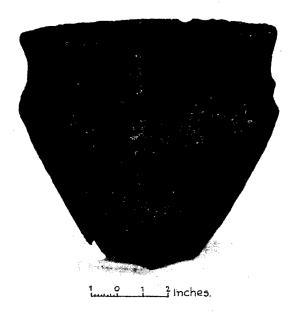


Fig. 1. Cinerary Urn from St Andrews.

top of the rim with straight oblique lines; this piece shows a perforation in the wall. Both from Ghadenova, Perm, Russia.

# (2) By D. HAY FLEMING, LL.D., F.S.A.Scot.

Cinerary Urn, restored and partly made up, a height of 9 inches of the wall remaining, but the base wanting (fig. 1); it measures 10 inches in external diameter at the mouth and 10 inches at the bulge. The upright brim,  $3\frac{3}{8}$  inches in height, is divided into two zones by a slight, raised moulding; the upper zone is  $2\frac{1}{8}$  inches broad, and is encircled with three rows of loops or semicircular cord impressions, and the lower zone, which has six vertical projections or lugs placed at not quite regular intervals, has two rows of similar impressions. The tapering lower part of the vessel, down to the base, shows the impressions of a circular stamp,  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch in diameter, some in vertical and some in horizontal lines, but exhibiting no regular pattern. The top of the brim, which is bevelled downwards towards the inside and is  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch broad, has two rows of similar markings. The ware is red on the exterior and black inside. The urn was found in the garden at Westerlee, on the western outskirts of St Andrews, about forty years ago.

In its form and in its being decorated on the lower part, this urn resembles a food-vessel, but from its size and the quality of the ware it seems to fall into the cinerary type.

## (3) By JAMES CURLE, F.S.A.Scot.

An undressed Stone, pointed towards both ends, inserted in a wooden handle, from Bogancloch, Rhynie, Aberdeenshire. (See previous communication by Mr Curle.)

## (4) By G. P. H. WATSON, F.S.A.Scot.

Door-knocker of iron in the form of a circular plate,  $4\frac{3}{4}$  inches in

diameter, with a low-domed centre surrounded by concave mouldings, and the knocker in the form of a ring,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter, with a five-petalled rosette at the top and bottom, from Deacon Brodie's house in the Lawnmarket.

Toaster of wrought iron for fixing on to the ribs of a grate, with a sliding D-shaped back, having two broad crossed straps of metal terminating in four spirals fixed to the top and sides.

## (5) By J. HEWAT CRAW, F.S.A.Scot.

Dressed Slab of sandstone (fig. 2), measuring  $13\frac{1}{4}$  inches long,  $8\frac{3}{4}$  inches broad, and 4 inches thick, showing a cross with a ring in the centre of the head, a bar crossing the centre of the shaft, and a marginal moulding all round. In the centre of the cross-head, within the ring, is a well-cut cup,  $3\frac{1}{4}$  inches in diameter

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and  $2\frac{1}{5}$  inches deep, while in the panels between the arms and at the sides of the shaft are deeply cut cavities showing rough tooling in the

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Fig. 2. Object of Sandstone from Lowick Lowsteads.

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bottom, found by Mr Hogg, West Kyloe, on the farm of Lowick Lowsteads, Lowick, Northumberland, about 11 mile south-east of Lowick village.

## (6) By JAMES S. RICHARDSON, F.S.A.Scot.

Quadrangular Plaque of slate, measuring  $4\frac{1}{16}$  inches by  $3\frac{1}{16}$  inches by  $\frac{3}{16}$  inches by  $\frac{3}{16}$  inches by grinding from both sides, and the sides rounded also by grinding, found outside Tantallon Castle, East Lothian.

#### (7) By J. M. CORRIE, F.S.A.Scot.

Six Pigmy Flints from Dryburgh, Berwickshire: (1) pointed, imperfect, measuring  $\frac{21}{32}$  inch long, calcined; (2) trapezoidal, measuring  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch by  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch, of dark grey colour; (3-5) measuring  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch by  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch by  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch, and  $\frac{13}{32}$  inch by  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch respectively, of grey colour, all dressed along both sides and pointed at each end; (6) measuring  $\frac{7}{16}$  inch by  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch, imperfect, dressed along both sides, of light grey colour.

(8) By WILLIAM T. MUIR, Corresponding Member.

Stone Object with three large notches on each side opposite each other, measuring  $4\frac{5}{8}$  inches long,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches broad, and  $1\frac{3}{16}$  inch thick, from an "old knowe" on the farm of Howally, Birsay, Orkney.

(9) By CHARLES M. STEWART, Soilarzie, Blackwater, by Blairgowrie.

Finely made Whetstone of brown quartzite, wanting one end, measuring  $3\frac{7}{8}$  inches long and  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch square at the centre; it tapers to  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch square at the perfect end, found on Easter Bleaton, Blackwater, Glenshee, Forfarshire, in 1894.

The following Donations to the Library were also intimated:----

(1) By HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT.

Calendar of the Fine Rolls. Vol. viii. Edward III. 1368-77.

(2) By The Hon. Madame NASOS.

Some of the notes compiled by The Right Hon. Lord Abercromby, LL.D., F.S.A.Scot., in writing his book A Study of the Bronze Age Pottery of Great Britain and Ireland.

(3) By W. DOUGLAS SIMPSON, D.Litt., F.S.A.Scot. The Deeside Field, No. 2, 1925.

# OLD WELLS AND A STONE CIRCLE AT KENMORE.

(4) By Rev. WILLIAM A. GILLIES, B.D., F.S.A.Scot., the Author.

Taymouth Castle—a Hôtel de Luxe—and its Historical Traditions. Pamphlet.

(5) By R. L. SCOTT, F.S.A.Scot.

Catalogue of the Collection of European Arms and Armour formed at Greenock by R. L. Scott. Described by Felix Joubert, F.S.A.Scot. 3 vols. Printed for private circulation.

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The Border Line from the Solway Firth to the North Sea along the Marches of Scotland and England.

(7) By Dr J. MAXWELL WOOD, F.S.A.Scot., the Editor. The Gallovidian Annual, 1924.

The following Communications were read:-