#### Monday, 10th March 1930.

### CHARLES E. WHITELAW, I.A.

Vice-President, in the Chair.

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

BENJAMIN BLACK MACKINNON, Organising Secretary, 68 Ardencaple Quadrant, Helensburgh, Dumbartonshire.

HENRY O'DONNELL, 417 Govan Road, Glasgow, S.W.

ARTHUR BOWDEN PETERS, F.R.Met.S., Librarian and Curator, Inverness Public Library.

HAROLD H. L. SANDS, F.S.A., 16 Portland Court, Great Portland Street, London, W.1, and Beacon Hall, Benenden, Cranbrook, Kent.

R. J. SERJEANTSON, Troughend, Brora, Sutherland.

ALEXANDER WRIGHT, L.R.I.B.A., Highfield, Baldernock Road, Milngavie.

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

(1) By James M'Cargo, Watchmaker and Jeweller, Kirkpatrick-Durham, Dalbeattie.

Stone Adze, measuring  $3\frac{3}{4}$  inches in length,  $1\frac{13}{16}$  inch in breadth at the cutting end, and  $\frac{9}{16}$  inch in thickness, found in a deep drain on Kirkland Hill Farm, Kirkpatrick-Durham, Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

¹ Boece, ut supra; Bellenden's Croniklis, ed. 1536, folio ccxxv. verso; Georgii Buchanani Opera Omnia, ed. 1715, vol. i. p. 161.

Axe of whitish Flint (tranchet), of rectangular shape, measuring 31 inches in length, 13 inch in breadth, and 5 inch in thickness, probably Danish.

Leaf-shaped Arrow-head of whitish Flint, measuring 1 inch in



Fig. 1. Ground Flint Knife from Challoch.

length and 3 inch in breadth, found near Milton Loch, parish of Urr.

Barbed and stemmed Arrow-head of dirty yellow Flint, slightly imperfect at the point, measuring  $1\frac{5}{8}$  inch in length and 11 inch in breadth, from Challoch, Penninghame, Wigtownshire.

Knife of yellow Flint, of horseshoe shape, finely ground round the curved edge (fig. 1), measuring 2 inches in height and  $2\frac{13}{16}$  inches in breadth,

found in a field on Milton Mains, skirting Milton Loch, parish of Urr. (See Proceedings, xlvi. p. 181.)

Flake of whitish Flint with slight secondary working along one edge, measuring 2½ inches in length, found in a moss on Kilquhanity, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Flake of whitish Flint, measuring 2½ inches in length, found in Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Whetstone of brownish Quartz (fig. 2), finely polished, of square section and rounded at the ends, measuring  $2\frac{5}{16}$  inches in length and  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch Fig. 2. Quartz Whetstone from square at the widest part, found on the farm of Walton Park, Kirkpatrick-Durham. Proceedings, xlvi. p. 181.)



Waterworn Pebble of irregular shape, measuring  $3\frac{1}{16}$  inches by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches by  $2\frac{3}{4}$  inches, with a large picked indentation on the top and bottom sides, found on Brockloch Farm, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Stone Whorl, measuring  $2\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in thickness, decorated on both faces by punctulations irregularly placed round the perforation, from Arkland Farm, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Perforated Stone, measuring 1 inch in diameter, and  $\frac{7}{32}$  inch in thickness, decorated on both faces and round the edge by a single line of punctulations. From Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Stone Ball, 23 inches in diameter, the entire surface being ground into 40 flat facets, from Cronie Farm, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Similar Ball of Brass, measuring 11/8 inch in diameter, with 36 facets, numbered 1 to 36, from Kirkpatrick-Durham village.

Stone Ball, probably a sling stone, measuring  $1\frac{1}{16}$  inch in diameter, from the grounds of Barncailzie Hall, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Stone Button-mould, measuring  $4\frac{5}{8}$  inches in diameter,  $2\frac{1}{16}$  inches in breadth, and 1 inch in thickness, with matrices for two buttons on one face, found on West Glenarm, Urr, Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

Half of Stone Mould for casting a flat ring, measuring 2½ inches in external diameter, from West Glenarm, Urr.

Half of a Token Mould of Slate, of the parish of Kelton, with inscription KEL / TOWN/ 1771(?)—dug up in a garden at Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Horn Snuffmull, from Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Leather Snuffmull, which belonged to one of the Buchanites at Newhouse, Crocketford, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Combined Snuff-spoon, Tobacco-pipe Stopper and Pricker of Iron, from Auchencairn, Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

Knitting Sheath of Wood, decorated with chip carving, and bearing the initials G. C. and date 1770, from Auchencairn.

Percussion - cap Magazine of Brass, from Kirkpatrick - Durham village.

Two Wooden Stamps for printing calicoes, from Kirkcowan village, Wigtownshire.

Yarn Winder, with four reels, from the parish of Dalry, Stewartry of Kirkeudbright.

## (2) By A. D. LACAILLE, F.S.A.Scot.

Core of Chalcedony, measuring  $1\frac{1}{32}$  inch in length, found on Shewalton Sands, Ayrshire.

Two End Scrapers (Magdalenian), one of yellow Flint, measuring  $2\frac{11}{16}$  inches in length, and the other with a burin point (grattoir-burin) of black Flint, measuring  $2\frac{1}{8}$  inches in length, from La Madeleine, Dordogne, France.

# (3) By John Fraser, Corresponding Member.

Burnisher of Hematite, of irregular shape, polished all over the surface, measuring  $1\frac{5}{8}$  inch by  $1\frac{5}{8}$  inch by  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch.

Three Scrapers and five Knives of Flint. All found near Upperbrough, on the south-west side of Bosquoy Loch, Harray, Orkney, on the same field as the large flint implement figured in *Proceedings*, vol. xlviii. p. 110.

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(4) By John R. Fortune, Corresponding Member.

Part of Perforated Stone Object, measuring 3½ inches by 3½ inches. Very small leaf-shaped Arrow-head, of green Chert, measuring inch by ½ inch.

Four Scrapers:—(1) of green Chert, measuring  $1\frac{5}{8}$  inch by  $1\frac{5}{16}$  inch; (2) of light grey Flint, measuring  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inch by  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch; (3) of grey Flint, measuring  $1\frac{1}{8}$  inch by  $1\frac{1}{16}$  inch; (4) of black Flint, measuring  $\frac{15}{16}$  inch by  $\frac{11}{16}$  inch.

Part of Knife of light grey Flint (imperfect), measuring  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch by  $1\frac{1}{16}$  inch.

A Knife of black Flint, measuring 14 inch by 3 inch.

Three worked Flint flakes.

All found on Airhouse, Oxton, Berwickshire, by the donor.

#### (5) By W. T. Muir, Corresponding Member.

Leaf-shaped Arrow-head of grey Flint, measuring  $1\frac{1}{8}$  inch by  $\frac{9}{16}$  inch, found at the bottom of a peat moss, Hill of Huntos, Evie, Orkney.

#### (6) By A. BASHALL DAWSON, F.S.A.Scot.

Fire-mark of Lead, of the Glasgow Insurance Company, showing the arms of Glasgow in an upright oval panel, GLASGOW in an oblong panel below.

## (7) By Francis Chalmers, W.S., F.S.A.Scot.

Wooden Bowl or Mazer, with a copper fillet round the rim, measuring  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter, at the mouth, and  $4\frac{3}{8}$  inches in height. purchased by the donor in Edinburgh.

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

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Small complete wall segment of a shallow, flat-bottomed Vessel of red Pottery, which has had perforations on the wall and bottom. The wall, which is almost vertical and narrows at the lip, is only 1½ inch in height. When discovered, the whole of the vessel lay in fragments in a circular hole cut out on the edges of two flagstones fitted together, with some ashes below. Found in a chambered mound at Kirbister, Orkney.

#### (9) By John Richardson, F.S.A.Scot., Musselburgh.

Baton of Wood with a silver capsule on each end, measuring 5½ inches in length. On one end are the initials G III R. with crown

above, and on the other end NICOLSON PARK 1804 round the edge, and 5 in centre.

Baton of the Clerk to the Commissioners of Edinburgh Police, of ebony, measuring 5 inches in length. Round the centre is a narrow band of silver, and at each end a deep capsule of the same metal. Round one of the capsules is CLERK TO COMMISSIONERS OF EDINR. POLICE, while on the end of the other is the seal of the Commissioners, and on the side the initials V. R., with crown above.

#### (10) By H. M. Office of Works.

Fork portion of a Gun-rest of Iron, found in Edinburgh Castle.

#### (11) Mr TEMPLE, Hume.

Piece of sheet Lead, roughly rectangular in shape, measuring 26 inches in breadth and 19½ inches in height, probably from the roof of a building. One side is covered with scratched designs, which include a rectangle broken up into squares, another rectangle divided into four parts, each of which is filled in with oblique lines, and a number of rudely shaped bows with an arrow in each. Found 300 yards northnorth-east of Hume, Berwickshire.

It was announced that the following objects had been purchased for the Museum.

Stone Knife of fairly regular width, tapering slightly towards a flat butt and a flatly rounded point, ground along both edges and round the point, measuring  $6\frac{5}{8}$  inches in length,  $1\frac{1}{8}$  inch in greatest breadth, and  $\frac{9}{32}$  inch in thickness, broken in three fragments, found in the ruins of an elliptically shaped building in the Lea of Hulland, on the north side of and close to Scutta Voe, Gruting Voe, Shetland.

Intervertebral plate of Cetacean Bone, trimmed in places round the edge, measuring  $9\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter, from the Old Cattlefold, Vallay, North Uist.

Quadrangular block of Stone, measuring  $9\frac{1}{4}$  inches in length,  $5\frac{1}{4}$  inches in breadth, and  $4\frac{1}{8}$  inches in thickness, with a picked out hollow of rectangular shape on the upper side, measuring  $3\frac{7}{8}$  inches in length,  $2\frac{1}{8}$  inches in breadth,  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch in depth, found in cultivated land on the Knowe of Mossquoy, Corston, Harray, Orkney.

Stone of triangular shape, measuring  $5\frac{1}{8}$  inches in greatest length,  $4\frac{1}{4}$  inches in breadth, and  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inch in greatest thickness, with a

triangular hollow picked on the upper surface, measuring  $3\frac{3}{8}$  inches in length by  $2\frac{1}{8}$  inches in breadth (possibly a lamp), found on cultivated land at Quoykersey, Harray, Orkney, near the site of an earth-house, opened but never described.

Conical Drinking Horn, with a whistle at the narrow end and the rim bound with a brass mount. The horn is decorated with two bands of interlaced ornamentation and circular panels filled in with interlaced and chip carving designs. It also bears the initials I. F. and date 1717. The horn measures 6 inches in length, and  $1\frac{7}{8}$  inch in diameter across the mouth. From Banchory, Kincardineshire.

Knife and Fork, with tortoiseshell silver-mounted handles, the fork having two prongs. Both are contained in a leather sheath with tooled interlaced ornamentation. From Oban.

Brass Pin or Skewer, measuring 5½ inches in length, the top pierced with five holes and showing engraved designs. From the Haughton House Sale, Alford, Aberdeenshire.

Axe of Felstone, measuring  $5\frac{5}{8}$  inches in length,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches in breadth, and 1 inch in thickness, turned up by the plough in 1872 at Marlfield, Eckford, Roxburghshire.

Two Perforated Stones, the first a pebble of quartz, measuring 2 inches in greatest diameter, and the other  $2\frac{5}{8}$  inches in greatest diameter. Both from Stichill, Roxburghshire.

Sailmaker's Tool of Ivory, for smoothing the seams of sails, measuring 5 inches in length. The top has a knop carved in the form of an interlaced double cord, and round the centre of the stem is an interlaced 3-ply cord.

Thack-raip Rack of wood, to which is fixed an iron loop on a swivel, for twisting straw ropes. From Berwickshire.

Sixteen Pennies of Alexander III. which were found is 1908 in the great Brussels Hoard of more than 100,000 coins.

The following Donations of Books to the Library were intimated and thanks voted to the Donors:—

## (1) By T. SHEPPARD, M.Sc., F.S.A.Scot., the Author-

Hull Museum Publications—No. 161. Meaux Abbey (illustrated). No. 162. Catalogue of the Mortimer Collection of Prehistoric Remains from East Yorkshire Barrows (illustrated). No. 163. Hull Museum Treasures (illustrated). No. 164. Cissbury; Evolution of Furniture; Lincolnshire Worthies. No. 165. Catalogue of the Fawster Collection of F. S. Smith's Sketches of Old Hull. No. 166. The Position a Museum

should hold in the Life of a Community, by Sir Frederick G. Kenyon, K.C.B., LL.D., D.Litt.; The Mortimer Collection of East Yorkshire Antiquities, by the Donor.

- (2) By The Director, Valetta Museum— Bulletin of the Museum, Valetta, Malta, No. 1., Vol. I. 1929.
- (3) By The Curator, Royal Society of Edinburgh. Cartulaire Lyonnaise. Tomes 1 and 2. 1885, 1893.

A Collection of Ordinances and Regulations for the Government of the Royal Household, made in divers Reigns. From King Edward III. to King William and Queen Mary.

Liber Cartarum Prioratus Sancti Andree in Scotia. Edinburgh, 1841.

Fabretti. De Columna Traini Syntagma. Rome, 1690.

Recueil de quelques Antiquités trouvées sur les bords de la Mer Noire, appartenans à l'Empire de Russie. Berlin, 1803.

(4) By W. Douglas Simpson, D.Litt., F.S.A.Scot.— Scottish Gaelic Studies. Vol. I., 1, 2; Vol. II., 1, 2; Vol. III., 1.

The following Communications were read:-