PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND

HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIRST SESSION, 1930–1931

ANNIVERSARY MEETING, 1st December 1930.

THE DUKE OF ATHOLL, K.T., C.B., M.V.O., D.S.O., LL.D.,
President, in the Chair.

Mr John W. M. Loney and Mr Harry R. G. Inglis were appointed
Scrutineers of the Ballot for Office-Bearers.

The Ballot having been concluded, the Scrutineers found and declared
the List of the Council for the ensuing year to be as follows:—

President.

His Grace The Duke of Atholl, K.T., C.B., M.V.O., D.S.O., LL.D.

Vice-Presidents.

Major William A. Baird.
Charles E. Whitelaw, I.A.
Thomas Yule, W.S.
A Ballot having been taken, the following were elected Fellows:

Mrs H. M. ALLAN, 10 Ainslie Place, Edinburgh.
William BAXTER, Public Works Contractor, 153 High Street, Tranent.
Rev. John BEVERIDGE, M.B.E., B.D., Broomhouse Road, Corstorphine.
Major James Milne DAVIDSON, Lynwood, Ashtead, Surrey.
John DONALD, 79 Dempster Street, Greenock.
John J. DUNCAN, 35 Comiston Road, Edinburgh.
John Maurice FROST, Aldersyde, Broomhill Road, Aberdeen.
G. Robert GAIR, 30 The Avenue, Huyton, South Lancashire.
The Secretary read the list of Members deceased since the last Annual Meeting:

**Honorary Fellow.**


**Lady Associate.**

Miss Emma Swann, Walton Manor, Oxford. 1894
ALEXANDER T. ARTHUR, M.B., C.M., Ingleside, West Cults, by Aberdeen 1901
JAMES BONNAR, Glendura, Cupar, Fife 1923
JAMES CURRIE, Larkfield, Wardie Road, Edinburgh 1886
JAMES DAVIDSON, Summerville, Dumfries 1910
Rev. JAMES DICK, Linburn House, Kirknewton, Midlothian 1901
Colonel WILLIAM FRASER DONIE, V.D., J.P., Edgemont, Paisley 1926
HENRY T. DONALDSON, The British Linen Bank, Nairn 1895
Rev. D. W. B. FLEMING, Culross Park, Culross 1909
HUGH ALEXANDER FORSYTH, J.P., Violet Bank, Wormit, Fife 1917
Sir JAMES GUTHRIE, R.S.A., H.R.A., LL.D., Rowmore Row, Dumbartonshire 1904
The Right Hon. THE EARL OF KINTORE, K.T., G.C.M.G., LL.D., Keith Hall, Inverurie 1900
Sir WILLIAM S. M'CORMICK, G.B.E., LL.D., F.R.S., 43 Frognal, London, N.W. 3 1913
COLL REGINALD MACDONALD, M.D., 17 Wellington Square, Ayr 1885
GEORGE ANDERSON MILLER, W.S., Knowehead, Perth 1878
A. G. SYDNEY MITCHELL, Architect, The Pleasance, Gullane 1890
The Right Hon. THE EARL OF MORAY, Hon.R.S.A., Kinfauns Castle, Perth 1895
JAMES MURCHIE, Penrioch, Kingcase, Prestwick 1911
PATRICK MURRAY, W.S., 7 Eton Terrace 1884
BRAMLEY N. RADCLIFFE, 211 Mottram Road, Stalybridge, Cheshire 1928
JOHN ROGERSON, I.A., A.R.I.B.A., 172 Bath Street, Glasgow 1921
Rev. FREDERICK ALEXANDER STEUART, M.A., B.D., The Manse, Inchinnan, Renfrewshire 1925
Rev. GEORGE WILLIAMS, Minister of Norrieiston U.F. Church, Thornhill, Stirling 1895

The Meeting resolved to record their sense of the loss the Society had sustained in the death of these members.

The Secretary read the following Report by the Council on the affairs of the Society:

The Council beg to submit to the Fellows of the Society their Report for the year ending 30th November 1930.

Fellowship.—The total number of Fellows on the roll at 30th November 1929 was 1046
At 30th November 1930 the number was 1061
being an increase of 15
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The number of new Fellows added to the roll during the year was 56, while 24 died, 11 resigned, and 6 allowed their membership to lapse.

Among the names of Fellows who have died in the course of the year the Council desires to make special reference to Sir John R. Findlay and Mr Patrick Murray, W.S.

Sir John Ritchie Findlay, Bart., of Aberlour, K.B.E., LL.D., D.L., Hon. R.S.A., F.R.S.E., became a Fellow in 1892. He was elected to the Council in 1898 for three years, and in 1907 became one of the representatives of the Board of Trustees on the Council, a position which he continued to hold till the time of his death. The Minute of the Meeting of the Society on 5th May 1930 contains an appreciation of the invaluable help which he gave on the administrative side during that long period. Here it may be added that he also took a keen interest in the collections, and contributed liberally to the work of excavation.

Mr Patrick Murray, W.S., joined the Society in 1884. He occupied a seat on the Council from 1913 to 1916, and acted as a Vice-President from 1916 to 1919. Although he never took a very prominent part in the Society's work, he was very regular in his attendance at the evening meetings so long as his health permitted. In him the Society has lost a cultured and most genial personality.

Proceedings.—An advance copy of The Proceedings lies upon the table. Sixteen papers deal with prehistorical and seven with historical subjects.

The Museum.—The number of objects received into the Museum during the last year continues large, 729 having been received by donation and 159 by purchase. Relics belonging to the Prehistoric Period are, as usual, most numerous. Among the more important of them are a flint axe from Islay, presented by Captain A. C. MacIntyre, Balulve; a finely polished flint knife from the parish of Urr, Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, presented with other relics by Mr James M'Cargo, Kirkpatrick-Durham; a collection of flint and stone implements from Bookan, Orkney, presented by Mr Peter Irvine; a stone adze from Rousay, a stone hammer from Egilsay, and a collection of Neolithic pottery fragments from Taiverso Tuick, Rousay, presented by Mr Walter G. Grant; two jet buttons, two jet beads, and flint implements, found in excavating cairns on the Knock Hills, Roxburghshire, by Mrs F. S. Oliver; and a large cinerary urn with a unique bone pendant, found at Over Migvie, Kirriemuir, presented by Mrs and Mr K. Cowpar.

Among the purchases are a fine Bronze Age jet necklace, found in 1857 at Pitkennedy, Angus, and a carved stone ball of oval shape, from the site of a broch at St Thomas's Kirk, Orkney, this being the only specimen of oval form recorded.
Within the limits of the Historic Period, mention should be made of a Covenanters' flag from the parish of Ochiltree, presented by the Rev. John Warrick, Cumnock; while among the more important purchases were a particularly fine Early Iron Age armlet, found on the Culbin Sands, Morayshire; a free-standing cross of West Highland type, from Kilchoman, Islay; a quantity of old carved oak, from King's College Chapel, Aberdeen; an enamelled sixteenth-century gold locket, found near Corsewall Castle; an early eighteenth-century nielloed silver Highland brooch; and a silver dish used by the mother of Sir Walter Scott in feeding him when an infant.

Excavations.—The excavation of two Bronze Age cairns at Poltalloch was undertaken by Sir Ian Malcolm of Poltalloch, K.C.M.G., and the Society. The work was carried out in April last under the supervision of Mr Craw. One of the cairns, at Nether Largie, contained a cist, and although no relics were recovered, several stones of the cist and in the cairn were found to be sculptured. The other cairn, at Carnassarie, covered a cist which contained a food-vessel urn in good preservation. The urn and one of the sculptured stones have been placed on loan in the Museum by Sir Ian Malcolm.

During the summer, the excavation of the Broch of Aikerness, in the parish of Evie, Orkney, was undertaken with the aid of funds supplied by Mr T. B. Macaulay, LL.D., F.S.A.Scot. Mr Craw was in charge of the work. Excavation showed the wall of the broch still standing to a height of 12 feet, and several interesting constructional features have been laid bare, especially with regard to a secondary occupation of the building. A large number of animal bones were found; the artefacts were chiefly of stone and of bone. The iron boss of a shield near the top of the mound suggested a Viking burial. The subsidiary buildings, together with the broch itself, cover an area of about three-quarters of an acre. The walls of the broch have been given temporary support till the resumption of work next summer.

The Library.—The additions to the Library amount to 133 by donation and 45 by purchase. Besides these, a considerable number of publications of learned societies, etc., have been received by way of exchange and by subscription. There have been two additions to the collection of manuscripts. More than 500 volumes have been bound under the grant from H.M. Treasury towards the binding of books.

The Rhind Lectureship.—The Rhind Lectures for 1930 were delivered in October by Professor Garstang, his subject being "The Hittites."
The Lectureship for 1931 has been accepted by Dr G. G. Coulton, who will deal with "Monastic Life and its Influence on the Civilisation of Scotland."

The Gunning Fellowship.—The Gunning Fellowship for 1930 was conferred on Mr A. J. H. Edwards, Assistant Keeper of the Museum, so that he might visit and study museums in Southern Germany and France. Accordingly, Mr Edwards visited in Germany, Duren, Cologne, Mainz, Frankfurt-an-Main, and the Saalburg; in Switzerland, Basel, Brügg, and Windisch; in France, the National Museum of Antiquities of France at St Germain-en-Laye; and in Paris, Cluny, Jacquemart Andrée, and Musée des Arts Decoratifs.

The Chalmers-Jervise Prize.—Peebles and Selkirkshire were chosen as districts for the Chalmers-Jervise Prize for 1930. Four essays were sent in. The prize was awarded to Mr W. W. T. Hannah, The Whim, Lamancha, for his essay on "The Romanno Terraces: Their Origin and Purpose."

ATHOLL,
President.

National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland,
Queen Street, Edinburgh.

The Report was adopted on the motion of Mr Charles E. Whitelaw, seconded by Sir Robert Gilmour, Bart.

Mr J. Bolam Johnson, Treasurer, read the annual statement of the Society's Funds, which was ordered to be printed and circulated among the members. On the motion of the Chairman, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr Johnson for his gratuitous services.
SIR GEORGE MACDONALD, K.C.B., F.B.A., LL.D., D.Litt.,
in the Chair.

Before proceeding to the ordinary business of the meeting, the Chairman said: "It would ill become us to enter on the business of the evening without pausing for a moment to recall the passing of one who was for many seasons a familiar and most welcome figure at our monthly meetings. In years, though not in actual membership, Dr Ross was the father of our Society, and I do not think it is too much to say that many of us had for him something that was closely akin to filial affection. To-night we have to realise that, while we shall go to him, he will not return to us. So far as he is concerned,

'Nothing is here for tears; nothing to wail
Or knock the breast; nothing but fair and well.'

He lived a useful and happy life. Length of days was vouchsafed him. And now he has entered into his rest, honoured and respected by his fellow-citizens and his fellow-countrymen, leaving behind him in those seven stately volumes a monument that will serve to keep his own memory and that of his friend and colleague green for generations to come.

"This is not the place, nor am I the proper person, to attempt an appreciation of his achievement in the field of architectural antiquities. But I am going to ask you to send a message of deep and sincere sympathy to those whose house has been left unto them desolate. Knowing as we do the charm of their father's personality, we can in some measure understand how grievous must be their irreparable loss. Perhaps you will be good enough to signify your assent by rising in your places."

The motion was agreed to by the Fellows, and the Secretaries were instructed to send an excerpt of the minute to Miss Ross.

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

WILLIAM M. CALDER, M.A., LL.D., Professor of Greek, University of Edinburgh; Editor of Classical Review; 58 St Alban's Road, Edinburgh.

MRS KENNETH J. DUFF DUNBAR, Hempriggs House, Wick.

WILLIAM DUGALD MACCOLL, c/o MRS ANDERSON, 16 Roseneath Place, Edinburgh.
The following Donations to the Museum were intimated, and thanks voted to the Donors:—

(1) By Captain A. C. MacIntyre, Balulve, Islay, through James S. Richardson, F.S.A.Scot.

Axe of black-grey Flint, measuring \(5\frac{3}{6}\) inches in length, \(2\frac{3}{4}\) inches in breadth across the cutting edge, and \(\frac{3}{2}\) inch in greatest thickness. Found ten years ago in front of the farmhouse of Balulve, parish of Kilarrow and Kilmeny, Islay.

(2) By James S. Richardson, F.S.A.Scot.

Blue Glass Bead of segmented tubular form (four segments), measuring \(\frac{9}{4}\) inch in length and \(\frac{9}{7}\) inch in diameter. Found near Loch Gruinart, Islay, close to an old fireplace where small fragments of hand-made pottery were found.

Fragment of the rim of a Vessel of red Clay, and Splinter of Quartzite, of sub-oval shape, measuring \(5\frac{1}{2}\) inches in length and \(2\frac{3}{4}\) inches in breadth, abraded at both ends. Found in a kitchen deposit near Gruinart, Islay. Also a Hammerstone, found near above.

Two Scrapers of light grey Flint, from a bunker, Banaltrum Mhor, parish of Kildalton and Oa, Islay.

End Scraper of brown Flint, measuring \(1\frac{1}{2}\) inch by \(\frac{3}{4}\) inch, and a small Flake of light grey Flint. Found a few feet from a human skeleton in a flexed position on the sands of Evie, Orkney, south of Aikerness Broch.

Knife of mottled grey Flint, measuring \(2\frac{3}{8}\) inches by \(\frac{3}{4}\) inch by \(\frac{3}{8}\) inch, the edges dressed on the reverse sides, from the Hill of Orphir, Orkney.

Scraper of brown Jasper, measuring \(1\frac{5}{6}\) inch by \(1\frac{1}{6}\) inch, from the sands near Gullane, East Lothian. All found by donor.

Scraper of brown Flint, measuring 2 inches by \(1\frac{5}{6}\) inch, from Torphichen, West Lothian.

Fragment of Panel of Carved Wood, measuring 1 foot \(1\frac{1}{2}\) inch in length and 5 inches in breadth, decorated on both sides with rosettes, in chip carving. In addition, one side bears the inscription LORD HELP VS AND SAIF, and, on the other, the initials A. A. and I. S., and date 1595. Bought in Edinburgh.

(3) By Mrs Dick, The Cottage, Kirknewton, Midlothian.

Iron Cake-toaster, smiddy-made, the movable back in the form of a Scots thistle, flanked by scrolls, bearing the initials L. W. for Lilian Wardlaw, grand-aunt of the donor.
(4) By Mrs K. L. MacDONALD, 33 Regent Street, Portobello, per Mrs FRASER.

Wooden Distaff, measuring 2 1/2 feet in length; Weighing Beam, Wool Winder, and Spinning Wheel, from Lewis.
Two Wool Carders, made in Glasgow.
Red Woollen Blanket with black stripes, white Woollen Blanket with blue stripes; both woven from wool spun on the above spinning wheel.
Home-spun Linen Towel, from Lewis.

(5) By J. M. Corrie, F.S.A.Scot.

Polisher made of a small white Quartz Pebble, measuring 1 1/2 inch in height. Found by the donor on the site of the new school beside Inveresk Church, Midlothian.
Fragments of a Vessel of dark Pottery, containing crushed steatite, from a “burnt mound” at Beosetter, Bressay, Shetland.

(6) By John READMAN, Earlston, Berwickshire.

Jet Bead of domical form, measuring 1/8 inch in diameter and 1/3 inch in thickness, from Sorrowlessfield, Earlston.
Sub-triangular implement of grey Flint, measuring 1 1/2 inch by 1 inch, from Park, Earlston.

(7) By William Tawse, Aberdeen, through J. Inglis Ker, F.S.A.Scot.

Two Copper Buttons, one gilt and the other silverised, of the Highland Roads and Bridges Commission.


Part of a socketed Bronze Knife, consisting of the socket and part of the blade. The socket is of narrow oval shape, measures 1 1/4 inch by 5/8 inch in cross diameters at the mouth, and 1 1/2 inch in length, and has two perforations on each side, measuring 1/4 inch in diameter; the remaining part of the blade is 1 1/8 inch in length. The knife is covered with a thick green patina, glossy in places. Found nearly 50 feet above the burn, on the Alness Golf Course, about a mile from the village.

(9) By J. Graham Callander, F.S.A.Scot.

Point of a Bone Pin, found by the donor in a kitchen-midden near Tain, Ross-shire. A thin, square plate of bone with a perforation at each corner, a small discoid bead of shell, and part of the burr end of a roe-deer horn, at the broken part encircled by a groove worn by friction, found at the same place, are in the Museum.
(10) By Hugh Marwick, D.Litt., F.S.A.Scot.
Flat, oval Object of Steatite, measuring $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in breadth, and 1 inch in thickness, with a small drilled hole near the centre of one edge, and encircled round the periphery by a groove which overlaps round one end. Found by the donor in a short cist at Leyland, Sanday, Orkney.

(11) By James Flaws, Castlehill, Wyre, through J. M. Corrie, F.S.A.Scot.
Handle or Haft of Cetacean Bone, measuring $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length and $1\frac{1}{3}$ inch in greatest diameter, with a hole $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep at one end. Found near Cubbie Roo's Castle, Wyre (Viera), Orkney.

(12) By J. J. Galbraith, M.D., F.S.A.Scot.
Plaster cast of a Sculptured Slab, measuring $25\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length by $15\frac{1}{2}$ inches in breadth, with two triangles placed apex to apex, two circles connected by crossed lines, suggestive of a rudely made spectacle symbol, and two circles connected by a single straight line, all incised (fig. 1). The original was found in Nonikiln Kirkyard, Rosskeen, Ross-shire, but has disappeared.

(13) By Nicol Dickson, Bookan, Orkney.
Small fragment of a finely polished Flint Hammer, red and grey in colour, and half of a Stone Hammer, also well polished, broken across the centre of the perforation. It has been of flattened oval section, measuring $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch by $1\frac{1}{3}$ inch in cross diameters. Found by the donor on Bockan, Sandwick, Orkney. (See postea, p. 93, fig. 16, No. 3.)

(14) By Peter Irvine, Bookan, Orkney.
Leaf-shaped Arrow-head of yellowish Flint, measuring $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch; triangular Arrow-head of brown Flint, measuring $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch; side Scraper of mottled yellow Flint, measuring $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches by $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch; twenty-nine Scrapers of Flint and four of black Chert; three Knives, three pointed Implements; two Borers, and a combined end
Scraper and pointed Implement, all of flint; fragments of three Stone Hammers broken across the perforation. (See postea, p. 93, fig. 16, Nos. 1, 4, and 6.)

Piece of ground Hematite, measuring 1½ inch by 1½ inch by ½ inch. Stone Bead, measuring ¼ inch by ¼ inch in cross diameters, and ⅜ inch in thickness. All found on Bookan, Sandwick, Orkney.

(15) By James M'Cargo, Watchmaker, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Barbed and stemmed Arrow-head of grey Flint, measuring 2½ inches long by ¾ inch broad, found on the farm of Culshan, Kirkpatrick-Durham, Kirkcudbright.

Circular Perforated Stone, measuring 1½ inch in diameter and ⅛ inch in thickness, from Arkland, Kirkpatrick-Durham.

Oval Perforated Stone, measuring 1⅜ inch by 1½ inch by ¼ inch, from Carsphairn, Kirkcudbright.

Whorl of Sandstone, measuring 1½ inch in diameter and ⅛ inch in thickness, from Loch Doon, Ayrshire.

Whorl of Slate, ornamented on the top and the bottom and round the periphery with parallel incised lines, measuring 1½ inch in diameter and ¼ inch in thickness. Found in the Dalveen Pass, Dumfriesshire.

Four Stone Whorls from the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright: (1) domical, measuring 1½ inch in diameter and ⅛ inch in thickness, from Milton, Urr; (2) of red sandstone, measuring 1⅜ inch in diameter and ⅛ inch in thickness, from the farm of Torkatrine, Kirkgunzeon; (3) of slate, measuring 1½ inch in diameter by ⅜ inch in thickness, from Craigshinnie, Kells; (4) of sandstone, decorated by radial lines on each face, and measuring 1⅜ inch in diameter and ⅜ inch in thickness, from Piper's Croft, Kirkpatrick-Durham.


Three Communion Tokens of Ballachulish Episcopal Church; obv. a Latin Cross; rev. M/WF/1781. Square.

(17) By J. D. Allan Gray, M.R.C.P.E., and his sister, Mrs Dales, M.A., B.Sc., in memory of their father, James Allan Gray, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

Stone Axe-hammer, finely polished, with a crescentic cutting edge, deep hollows on the top and bottom edges, and tapering to a flat butt end. It measures 5½ inches in length, 3½ inches across the cutting edge, and 2 inches in greatest width. On both faces are two incised lines drawn parallel to the hollows on the top and the bottom, and a shallow longitudinal groove in the centre. The perforation, which is drilled, is ⅜ inch
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in diameter. It has been broken across the middle, but has been mended. The halves were found in successive years on the farm of Barlass, Newport, Fife.

(18) By Rev. JOHN WARRICK, Cumnock.

Covenanters' Flag of the Parish of Ochiltree, of white linen, measuring 6 feet in breadth and 5 feet 4 inches in height. At the left-hand top corner is a St Andrew's Cross—a white saltire on a blue field. The flag also bears the following inscriptions and designs painted on it. To the right of the St Andrew's Cross is an open book with red sides and bearing the inscription DEUS/EST/SEMPER/IDEM on the two open pages. Further to the right is a crowned thistle with the Royal monogram W.R. At the left side under the St Andrew's Cross is OVCHILTRIE, and across the centre FOR · GOD · THE · COVENANTED · PRESBYTERIAN/REFORMATION · CROWN · AND · COUNTRY · 1689.

(19) By Mrs F. S. OLIVER, F.S.A.Scot.

Knife of dark grey Flint, measuring 1½ inch long and ½ inch broad, and two barrel-shaped Beads of Jet, measuring ⅛ inch and ⅜ inch in length respectively, the latter bead being split and showing that the hole had been bored from both ends, as the first bore had tended towards one side. Found in a grave in a cairn on the Knock Hills, Edgerston, Roxburghshire.

Calcined barbed Flint Arrow-head, measuring ⅝ inch in length and breadth, and domical Button of Jet with V-shaped perforation on the under side, measuring ⅛ inch in diameter and ⅜ inch in thickness, from another grave in the same cairn.

Triangular Flake of grey Flint, measuring 2½ inches by 1½ inch, and domical Button of Jet with V-shaped perforation, measuring 1¾ inch in diameter and ½ inch in thickness, from a third burial deposit in the cairn.

Five small fragments of a Beaker Urn of buff-coloured ware, a rim fragment being decorated with vertical zigzags of four parts, and the other pieces with horizontal lines and a lattice pattern. Found in another cairn on the Knock Hills. (See Proceedings, vol. lxiii. p. 372.)

(20) By JOHN RICHARDSON, F.S.A.Scot., Musselburgh.

Silver Medal of the High School of the Canongate, awarded to DAVID GRANT in 1822. It is of oval shape, with a fixed ring above for suspension. On the obverse is the inscription DAVIDEM GRANT, "Primus meruit qui laude coronam" hoc insigni honoris donandae M. Vici Canonicorum Calendis Augusti MDCCCXXXII; on the reverse are
the crest and motto of the burgh of Canongate, a stag’s head with a cross-croslet fitchée between the antlers, and Sic itur ad astra, with the monogram D.G.

(21) By THOMAS GUTHRIE, President, Duddingston Curling Club.

Silver Medal of the Duddingston Curling Society, of oval shape and with a free ring for suspension. On the obverse is DUDDINGTON/CURLING SOCIETY/INSTITUTED 17th JAN 1795; on the reverse two rinks of curlers playing on Duddingston Loch, with Duddingston Church in the background. Above is the inscription Sic Scoti, ali non aeques felices.

(22) By Messrs GEORGE HARRISON & Co., 11-13 Chambers Street, Edinburgh.

Three specimens of St Kilda Tweed, acquired from the makers (by the donors) just before the island was evacuated in September 1930.

(23) By the Family of the late JAMES MACKENZIE, F.S.A.Scot.

Cutlass with steel hilt and ivory grip, of mid-eighteenth century date, found in the thatch of a cottage in Kirkmahoe, Dumfriesshire.

(24) By Miss CUTHBERT, The Schoolhouse, Hume.

Cresset of grey Sandstone, of oblong shape, measuring 12\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches by 9\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches by 4\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches, with seven irregular cavities for oil on the upper surface. Found in the foundation of an old cottage at Hume, Berwickshire.

(25) By W. MACKAY MACKENZIE, D.Litt., F.S.A.Scot.

Piece of Wood, shaped and bored, measuring 27 inches by 8 inches by 4 inches, from a crannog, Eilean Tigh na Slige, in Idir Loch, at the north end of Loch Treig, Inverness-shire.

(26) By WALTER G. GRANT of Trumland, F.S.A.Scot.

Stone Hammer of slightly flattened oval section, tapering gradually from the front end to the butt, measuring 4\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches in length, 2\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches in greatest breadth, and 2\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches in depth, with a carefully drilled perforation, 1 inch in diameter, rather towards the butt end. Found on Egilsay, Orkney. Stone Axe, flaked and partly ground, measuring 5\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches in length, 2\(\frac{1}{8}\) inches in breadth, and \(\frac{1}{8}\) inch in thickness, found near the Broch of Westness, Rousay, Orkney.

Fragments of Neolithic Pottery from the chambered cairn at Taiverso Tuick, Rousay, Orkney. (See postea, pp. 88 and 90, figs. 11 and 14.)
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(27) By Miss M. E. Barbour Simpson, F.S.A.Scot.

Stone Axe, measuring 5\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches in length, 2\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches in breadth, and 1\(\frac{1}{4}\) inch in thickness, one face of which has been used as a hone or whetstone at a late period; found at Farnell, near Brechin, Angus.

(28) By Thomas Umphray, Harrier, Foula.

Two fragments of dark brown Pottery, containing much crushed steatite: (1) a rim fragment, measuring \(\frac{3}{8}\) inch in greatest thickness and showing a perforation made, probably, in mending the vessel, and (2) a base, 6 inches in diameter; from Foula, Shetland.

(29) By John Fraser, Corresponding Member.

Fisgarine Needle of Bone, for making baskets or “casies” of heather or straw, broad and flat, tapering from the top, where there is a large perforation, towards a blunt point, and measuring 5 inches in length, \(\frac{5}{8}\) inch in greatest breadth, and \(\frac{1}{4}\) inch in thickness, from Harray, Orkney.

Half of a flattened ball of red Keel (ruddle), ground flat on one side, measuring 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) inch by 1 inch by \(\frac{3}{4}\) inch, from Buckquoy, Birsay, Orkney.

Bead of black Glass, measuring \(\frac{15}{16}\) inch in diameter, \(\frac{3}{16}\) inch in thickness, from Dykeside, Harray, Orkney.

(30) By Quentin Waddington, Guildhall Museum, London.

Fragments of Samian Ware which have passed through a conflagration, from Fish Street Hill, near London Bridge.


Nine hand-made Iron Nails, measuring from 1\(\frac{3}{4}\) inch to 6\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches long, from an old house, two hundred years old, near Airdrie.

The following purchases for the Museum were intimated:—

Hand-pin of Bronze, with projecting semicircular head surmounted by six projecting sockets, one of which is missing. In the centre, under the sockets, is a small perforation. On the front of the head there is a late-Celtic scroll pattern inlaid with enamel, some of which, of light green colour, survives. The point of the pin is broken off, and the total remaining length is 2\(\frac{5}{8}\) inches. It is covered with a thick green patina which has been chipped and scraped off in places.

Bronze Pin with discoidal head, in the shape of a wire nail. Just under the head the pin is encircled by a single notched moulding, and \(\frac{5}{8}\) inch farther down by two raised mouldings. It is covered with a beautiful green patina, in perfect condition. It measures 2\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches in
length, and the head \( \frac{3}{4} \) inch in diameter. Both found in a mound at Kirbister, Birsay, Orkney.

Jet. Necklace consisting of four trapezoidal plates, two triangular terminal plates, one triangular toggle, and one hundred barrel-shaped beads (bugles). The four plates of the crescent are ornamented with punctuated designs. Found in July 1857, with an urn, in a short cist in a natural hillock near Pitkennedy, Aberlemno, Angus. (See Proceedings, vol. iii. p. 78.)

Silver Vessel, with a spout at one side and a wooden handle projecting obliquely upwards, which was used to feed Sir Walter Scott when an infant. It bears the monogram T.S., and the inscription, THIS PAP CUP, USED BY SIR WALTER SCOTT WHEN AN INFANT, WAS PRESENTED TO MRS MACKENZIE BY HIS MOTHER, MRS SCOTT, engraved on the sides of the bowl. It bears the hall-marks, a lion, a leopard’s head crowned, for London, date letter B (1757-58) and maker’s mark A.V., for Ayme Videau.

Oval Stone Ball with sixty-seven pyramidal projections carved on its surface, measuring \( 3\frac{3}{4} \) inches in length and \( 2\frac{1}{4} \) inches in diameter at the widest part. Found on the site of the broch at St Thomas’s Kirk, Hall of Rendall, Orkney, twenty-eight years ago. (See postea, p. 96, fig. 19).

Scraper of grey Flint; fragment of a Jet Armlet of double convex section, notched at one end, measuring \( 1\frac{3}{4} \) inch in length; Bronze Swastika Brooch, Roman, with the hinge and the catch-plate broken, but showing remains of the coiled spring of the pin, measuring \( 1\frac{1}{4} \) inch square (fig. 2); Lead Whorl, measuring \( \frac{1}{4} \) inch in diameter; Perforated oval water-worn Stone, measuring \( 1\frac{3}{4} \) inch by \( 1\frac{3}{8} \) inch, found on Denholm Hill farm, Roxburghshire.

Barbed Arrow-head of white Flint, one barb broken, measuring \( 1\frac{7}{8} \) inch in length; Scraper of grey Flint; Saw of grey Flint, and Whetstone, measuring \( 3\frac{3}{4} \) inches in length, and perforated at one end, found on the farm of Newlands, Garvald, East Lothian, on the field between the Green Castle and Black Castle forts.

Papal Bulla of Lead. Obv., the faces of two bearded men in beaded frames, with a cross between and SPA (St Paul), SPE (St Peter) above; rev., INNO/CENTIVS/PP III.

Brass Candlestick with domed foot and wide grease pan half-way up the stem, found in a peat moss at Beawick, Sandsting, Shetland.
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Cast Bronze Armlet of the Early Iron Age, in the form of a coiled serpent (figs. 3, 4, and 5). It consists of three coils, not quite touching, convex on the outside and concave on the inside. Both ends terminate

Fig. 3. Bronze Armlet, front view, found on the Culbin Sands.

Fig. 4. Bronze Armlet, back view, found on the Culbin Sands.

Fig. 5. Details of Ornamentation.
in a conventional serpent-like head ornamented with raised trumpet-shaped designs, with two pairs of small eyes of blue enamel, three of which are now wanting. In front of the end pair of eyes is a sunk circular space which has probably been filled with enamel. The central coil is decorated with pronounced lozenge-shaped projections bordered by trumpet-shaped designs. The armlet measures $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in external diameter, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches in internal diameter at one end, and $3\frac{3}{8}$ inches and $2\frac{3}{8}$ inches at the other. It weighs 2 lb. 9\frac{3}{4} oz. Found before 1827 on the Culbin Sands, Morayshire, by a sportsman looking for a piece of flint to use as a gun-flint. (See *Archæologia Scotia*, vol. iii. p. 99.)

![Fig. 6. Enamelled Gold Locket from Corsewall Castle, Wigtownshire. (T.)](image)

Gold Locket of upright oval shape, hinged at one side, with a loop for suspension at the top, measuring $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch in height, including the loop, and $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch in breadth; weight 8 dwt. 11 gr. (fig. 6). In the centre of each side is a rectangular socket for a setting that is now lost. This is surrounded with cloisonné scrolls which still contain portions of white and turquoise-blue enamel. Round the edge is a border formed by a narrow twisted strip of gold. It bears a strong resemblance to the locket in the Penicuik Collection of Mary Queen of Scots relics in the Museum, which has a miniature of Queen Mary in the central socket on one side, and another of James VI. as a child on the other, and also an edging of seed pearls.

It was found in the defensive fosse surrounding what remains of Corsewall Castle, a building of the fifteenth century situated on the farm of Barnhills near Corsewall Point, Wigtownshire. In his *Description of Galloway*, 1684, Symson refers to this castle as "having
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been a considerable house, but now wholly ruinous." Little of it remains except the vaulted basement, now used as a cattle shed, and a wheel staircase in the thickness of an angle in the wall, leading, no doubt,

![Fig. 7. Cross from Kilchoman Kirkyard, Islay.](image)

to upper chambers, which have served as a quarry for dykes and farm-buildings and are now no more.

There is no record of the occupation of this castle later than a charter of David II. conveying the land to Sir Alan Stewart of Darnley. It is recorded in the *Statistical Account*, ii. p. 50, that a small cannon had been found in the ruin, and the further discovery therein of a
silver plate with inscription, a gold ring and some coins is mentioned in the *New Statistical Account*, iv. p. 110.

Free-standing Cross of mica schist, with discoidal head and short arms, the right arm awanting, and the shaft broken across in two places (fig. 7). It measures 6 feet 10 inches in height, and has been 1 foot 6\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches across the head when complete. The shaft increases from 7\(\frac{1}{2}\) inches in breadth at the top to 11\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches near the base, and from 2\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches in thickness to 3\(\frac{1}{4}\) inches. On the front of the head is a crucified figure surrounded by the terminations of foliaceous scrolls which spring from the tails of two beasts at the foot of the shaft, between the beasts being a small grotesque human mask. The back of the cross-head and shaft are also decorated with foliaceous scrolls springing from the tails of two beasts at the foot. One of the beasts is beaked and winged, and the other holds a bell of Celtic shape in the left fore foot. On the edge of the cross, starting below the left arm, is the inscription, which is completed on the opposite side, ✝ HEC EST CRUX FAC(TA) PRO ANIMABUS DONCANI MEC INNIRLEGIN ET MARI ET MICHAELIS. From the kirkyard of Kilchoman, Islay.

Two leaf-shaped Arrow-heads of yellow Flint, measuring \(\frac{7}{8}\) inch and \(\frac{13}{16}\) inch in length, and \(\frac{3}{8}\) inch and \(\frac{7}{16}\) inch in breadth, found on the boulder clay at the bottom of a peat bank, 5 feet deep, near the northern base of Hinderafjold Hill, Harray, Orkney.

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