Monday, 9th February 1931.

CHARLES E. WHITELAW, I.A., Vice-President, in the Chair.

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

ARCHIBALD CAMERON, M.A., University Lecturer, Cowan House, George Square, Edinburgh.

GEORGE CRICHTON, Banker, 6 Duncan Street, Edinburgh.

CYRIL MOZEEN-HUDSON, Welford House, 8 Victoria Avenue, Harrogate, Yorks.

CHARLES HENRY TAYLOR, Collegehill House, Roslin, Midlothian.

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

(1) By W. Douglas Simpson, D.Litt., F.S.A.Scot.

Copper Button, gilt, with a view of the hill of Benachie, Aberdeenshire, and the date 1807 below in the centre, and BENACHIE CLUB/GARIOCH FRIENDLY SOCIETY round the edge.

(2) By George Beveridge of Vallay.

Small fragment of a plate of a small-toothed Comb of Bone, showing traces of rust from an iron rivet. Found in the Old Cattlefold, Vallay, North Uist.

(3) By A. D. LACAILLE, F.S.A.Scot.

Arrow-head of white Flint, with a broad stem, from Paimpol (Côtes du Nord), France.

(4, 5) By Sir Reginald Macleod of Macleod, K.C.B., F.S.A.Scot.

Two Beakers (fig. 1). The first, of dark brown ware, has a long upright brim. The vessel measures $7\frac{1}{8}$ inches in height, $6\frac{1}{8}$ inches in diameter across the mouth, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches at the neck, $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches at bulge, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches across the base, the wall being $\frac{5}{16}$ inch thick at the rim. The entire wall, to within $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch of the base, is decorated by rows of transverse lozenges, formed by a toothed stamp, with three incised lines at the top and three similar divisional lines at the neck, encircling the vessel. On the outside of the lip are short incised oblique lines. When

found the vessel was broken, but nearly all the shards were recovered, and the urn has been restored.

The second vessel was much broken, and many of the pieces are wanting. The ware is reddish brown. As restored, the vessel varies from $7\frac{1}{4}$ to 8 inches in height. It measures $5\frac{5}{8}$ inches in diameter at the mouth, $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches at the neck, $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches at the bulge, and $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches across the base. The whole wall has been ornamented, being divided into four zones by groups of three, six and five incised transverse lines with a

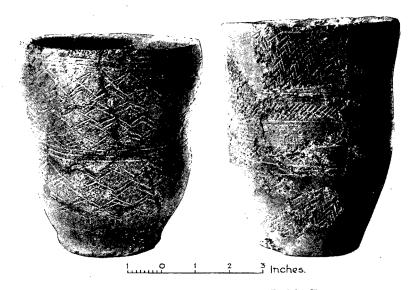


Fig. 1. Beakers from a Cairn at Kraiknish, Skye.

single marginal line at the lip. The upper and lower zones are decorated with closely set chevrons, and the two central zones by lattice designs, all impressed with a toothed stamp. Found in a cairn at Kraiknish, Loch Eynort, Skye. (See *Man*, vol. xxix. p. 165.)

(6) By Mrs Frances J. Scott, 6 Midmar Avenue, Edinburgh.

Socketed Bronze Axe, the socket being rectangular with rounded corners, and the sides chamfered at the corners. It measures 3 inches in length, $1\frac{15}{16}$ inch across the cutting edge, and the socket $1\frac{9}{16}$ inch by $1\frac{1}{32}$ inch externally. The socket is encircled by a slight moulding $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below the mouth, and immediately below this are the remains of a loop. It is covered with a thick brownish-green patina. Found on Craighead Farm, Newport, Fife.

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(7) By ALEXANDER Y. ALLISON, North Gyle.

Food-vessel, light brown in colour, measuring $4\frac{1}{8}$ inches in height, $5\frac{5}{8}$ inches in diameter across the mouth, $5\frac{5}{8}$ inches at the shoulder, and $2\frac{5}{16}$ inches across the base. The top of the rim and the upper part of the wall of the vessel are decorated in false relief by impressions of a flat-pointed tool, and the lower part by incised vertical zigzags of four parts. Found in a short cist at North Gyle, Corstorphine, Edinburgh. (See *Proceedings*, lxiii. p. 368.)

(8) By Miss Constance Warrand, Balnabeen, Conon Bridge, Rossshire, through Maj.-General Egerton, C.B., F.S.A.Scot.

Two White Metal Buttons of the Culloden Volunteers, bearing a Golden Eagle, the motto SPERNIT HUMUM and the initials C.V.

(9) By A. RUSSELL LILLIE, Reay House, Inverness, and W. N. Ross, Park House, Edderton.

Fragment of Food-vessel of dark brown clay (fig. 2). It has had an



Fig. 2. Fragment of Food-vessel from Edderton.

almost vertical upper part, with the shoulder rather wider than the mouth, which has been 6½ inches in diameter. Under the rim, which is decorated with oblique impressions, is a narrow hollow moulding bearing loop impressions. The space between this and the shoulder bears a transverse zigzag line with four straight lines above and two similar lines and a row of short vertical lines below. On the re-

maining part of lower tapering wall of the vessel is another transverse zigzag and three straight lines, a short vertical line occurring on each of the upper angles of the zigzag line. All the impressions have been made by a twisted cord. Found beside a short cist in a stone circle on the edge of Cartomie Wood, Edderton, Ross, the place being known as King's Cairns.

This cist was excavated by Dr Joass about 1866, and described in the *Proceedings*, vol. vii. p. 269, but the report is a very fragmentary one, and the illustration of the piece of the urn found in it unsatisfactory.

It was announced that the following objects had been purchased for the Museum:— Merchant's Signet-ring of Silver, with flat hoop and bevelled edges, the shoulders swelling into a flattened oval bezel. Engraved on the bezel is a shield with a chevron and initials J.N. (Old English characters), and above a conventional flag ornament believed to be the badge of wool-staplers. Found in Perth in 1873. (See *Proceedings*, vol. lx. p. 149.)

Small Luckenbooth Brooch of Gold, in the form of a crowned heart. The inscription FEAR GOD IN HEART, and the initials A.H. are engraved on the back.

Barbed and stemmed Arrow-head of brown Flint, another, calcined, wanting the point, from Strathardle, Perthshire.

Barbed and stemmed Arrow-head of brown Flint, and Knife of translucent white Flint, from Findhorn, Morayshire.

Leaf-shaped Arrow-head of rose-coloured Flint, from Sands of Forvie, Aberdeenshire.

Three leaf-shaped Arrow-heads of light grey Flint; lop-sided Arrow-head of dark brown Flint of fine quality, with very delicate ripple flaking; Spear-head or Knife, of dark grey Flint, wanting part of the base; another of clear grey Flint; three Borers of light grey and red Flint; Knife of grey Flint, finely flaked over its rounded back; four Knives of yellow Flint; sub-triangular Implement of grey Flint, imperfect; twenty-seven Scrapers of grey and yellow Flint; two Worked Flints; and a Stone Axe, measuring $2\frac{13}{16}$ inches by $1\frac{13}{16}$ inch by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch. Found on Carsie, Blairgowrie, Perthshire.

Leaf-shaped Arrow-head of yellow Flint, imperfect, measuring $\frac{7}{8}$ inch by $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; four barbed and stemmed Arrow-heads, of grey and yellow Flint, measuring $\frac{25}{32}$ inch by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, $\frac{15}{16}$ inch by $\frac{11}{16}$ inch, $\frac{7}{8}$ inch by $\frac{5}{8}$ inch, imperfect, $1\frac{1}{16}$ inch by 1 inch, imperfect; triangular Arrow-head of dark grey Flint; and a stone Whorl, measuring $1\frac{3}{16}$ inch by $\frac{5}{8}$ inch. From the Culbin Sands.

Barbed and stemmed Arrow-head of yellow Flint, from Milton Brodie, Alves, Morayshire.

Pigmy Flint, Tardenoisian, triangle, of grey colour, measuring $1\frac{1}{16}$ inch by $\frac{7}{16}$ inch; eighteen Scrapers of grey, yellow and red Flint; Perforated Stone, measuring $2\frac{3}{16}$ inches by $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch by $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch by $\frac{7}{16}$ inch, with hole countersunk from both sides; Lead Whorl measuring $\frac{3}{4}$ inch by $\frac{9}{32}$ inch; two stone Whorls, the first ornamented with incised concentric lines and a zigzag pattern, measuring 1 inch by $\frac{3}{8}$ inch and $1\frac{1}{8}$ inch by $\frac{7}{16}$ inch; Bronze Pin with an imperfect projecting ring head, the ring corrugated across on the front, measuring $1\frac{1}{16}$ inch in length; shield-shaped Hinge of gilded Bronze, measuring $1\frac{1}{8}$ inch by $1\frac{3}{16}$ inch, and a bronze Toggle, measuring $\frac{9}{16}$ inch in length. From Tents Muir, Fife.

260 PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY, FEBRUARY 9, 1931.

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

- (1) By Robert Murdoch Lawrance, F.S.A.Scot., the Author. John Rannie, Aberdeen. Aberdeen, 1930.
 - (2) By ARTHUR J. H. EDWARDS, F.S.A.Scot.

National Museum. The Danish Collection: Prehistoric Period. Guide for Visitors. Copenhagen, 1908.

(3) By W. G. BLAIKIE MURDOCH, 33 Dundas Street, the Author.

An Introduction to the Study of Scottish Architecture.

- I. From the Earliest Times to the Reformation.
- II. From the Seventeenth Century to the Present Day, from The Calcutta Review, November and December 1929, and September 1930.
- (4) By W. Douglas Simpson, D.Litt., F.S.A.Scot.

The Romance of The Highlands. By Alexander Campbell, F.S.A.Scot. Aberdeen, 1927.

(5) By John Mackenzie, F.S.A.Scot.

Archæological Notes on Ancient Sculpturings on Rocks in Kumaon, India. By J. H. Rivett-Carnac, Esquire. Calcutta, 1883.

(6) By H.M. GOVERNMENT.

The Register of the Privy Council of Scotland. Third Series. Vol. xii., A.D. 1686. Edinburgh, 1930.

(7) By The Hon. HEW HAMILTON DALRYMPLE, F.S.A.Scot,

Memoires of My Lord Drumlangrig's and his brother Lord William's Travells abroad. From a MS. Book in the Charter Room, Drumlanrig Castle. Privately printed. Edinburgh, 1931.

It was announced that the following books had been purchased for the Library:—

Schumacher-Festschrift, zum 70 Geburtstag Karl Schumachers, 14 Oktober 1930. Herausgegeben von der Direktion des Römisch-Germanischen Zentral-Museums in Mainz. Mainz, 1930.

The Tragedy of Kirk o' Field. By Major-General R. H. Mahon, C.B., C.S.I. Cambridge, 1930.

A BRONZE AGE CEMETERY NEAR COWDENBEATH, FIFE. 261

The Roman Frontier from Wallsend to Rudchester Burn. (Overprint from A History of Northumberland, vol. xiii.) Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 1930.

Roman Malton and District. Report No. 2—The Defences. Report No. 3—The Roman Pottery at Throlam, Holme-on-Spalding Moor, East Yorkshire. By Philip Corder, M.A.

Acta Archæologica. Vol. i., Fasc. 1 and 2. Københagen, 1930.

A History of the Vikings. By T. D. Kendrick, M.A. London, 1930.

Early Man in North-East Yorkshire. By Frank Elgee. Gloucester, 1930.

Numantia. Band II. Die Stadt Numantia. Von Adolf Schulten; and Band II. Karten und Pläne. München, 1931.

The following Communications were read: