

DONATIONS TO AND PURCHASES FOR THE MUSEUM,  
1945-46.*Donations.*

(1) Core axe of grey flint, found near North Haven, Fair Isle, Shetland. (See Notes, p. 146.) Presented by GEORGE A. CUMMING, Geography Department, St Andrews University.

(2) Discoidal scraper of black flint, from Pas de Calais, France. Fragments of friable pottery of Skara Brae type, probably from a single vessel decorated outside with an applied cordon  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch below the flattened rim, and animal teeth, found on the sands at Evie, Orkney, not far from the Broch of Gurness. (See Notes, p. 142.) Collection of rude stone implements from Quendale, Dunrossness, Shetland, about 2 miles from Jarlshof. Fragments of mediæval earthenware from Rhodes Links, North Berwick, Gullane Sands, and Haddington. Small fragments of hand-made pottery, mostly with sandy texture and grass temper, from Loch Gruinart, Islay. Fragments of hand-made pottery, flakes and cores and a long flat stone, from Site 2, Gruinart, Islay. Presented by JAMES S. RICHARDSON, F.S.A.Scot.

(3) Arrow-head of yellow flint. Scutiform body with short tang, edges and part of face retouched carefully. Found at Whitehaugh Forest, Donside, Aberdeenshire. Presented by H.M. FORESTRY COMMISSIONERS.

(4) Broken ball of stone, grooved longitudinally, with most of the surface scaled off, from Rinyo. Flint knife made from a long triangular blade, found during excavation at Taiverso Tuick Cairn. Four arrow-heads of flint, from Rousay. Presented by WALTER G. GRANT of Trumland, F.S.A.Scot.

(5) Flints from Mellerstain Estate, Berwickshire, and from Yetholm, Roxburghshire. Presented by ALEX. MILLS, Darlingfield, Mellerstain, Earlston.

(6) Bronze flat axe with rudimentary flanges and splayed blade,  $5\frac{3}{4}$  inches long, ornamented on both faces with rows of hammered parallel dashes wide apart at the butt end and close together forward of a slight central ridge. Flat sandstone pebble having an hour-glass perforation in the centre. Object of earthenware, like a stopper, height  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches (broken). All found on the donor's farm. Presented by JOHN V. LINDSAY, Cornhill Farm House, Cornhill-on-Tweed.

(7) Remains of a beaker and of five cinerary urns; flint knife and flake; two annular beads of blue vitreous paste; two pieces of shale; shells and cremated bones. Found during the excavation, in 1925-27, of a low mound

at Longniddry Golf Course, East Lothian. Presented by the EARL OF WEMYSS, Gosford House, Aberlady.

(8) Food-vessel urn of bowl type, found in a cist on Finnart Hill, Ayrshire. (See *Proceedings*, vol. lxxviii. p. 136.) Presented by LORD INCHCAPE, Glenapp Castle, Ballantrae, Ayrshire.

(9) Relics from an Urnfield at Monkton, Ayrshire. (See *Proceedings*, vol. lxxviii. p. 131.) Presented by Colonel BELLINGHAM, Rosemount Estate, Monkton, near Prestwick, Ayrshire.

(10) Cinerary urn of encrusted type from Kilmagad. (See Notes, p. 145.) Presented by DAVID NICOL, Kilmagad, Scotlandwell, Portmoak, Kinross-shire.

(11) Penannular ring of bronze 1 inch in diameter, with thickened terminals, behind each of which 4 or 5 pairs of cuts form a herring-bone pattern (fig. 1). Presumably a brooch with pin wanting. On an old envelope, containing it, is: "Ring Found in Stone Coffin on north side of Entrance Hall Luffness in working the floor. June 1848." Presented by Major HOPE of Luffness, Aberlady, East Lothian.

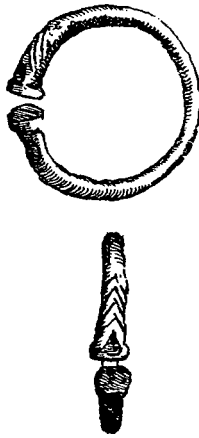


Fig. 1. Penannular bronze ring, from Luffness.

(12) Six sherds of reddish Iron Age pottery with linear patterns, decorated in three cases on the inside. Found in 1943 at a Broch at Deerness, Orkney. Presented by Captain L. L. E. MORETON, through James S. Richardson, F.S.A.Scot.

(13) Handmade clay pot, possibly of Early Iron Age date, having no provenance—purchased in an Edinburgh antique shop—height 5 inches, mouth diameter  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Presented by WILLIAM KIRKNESS, F.S.A.Scot.

(14) Circular palette of whitish micaceous stone (Pl. XXVII, 2).  $3\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter and  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch thick, the edge carefully scalloped in 15 divisions;

one side is ground very smooth all over, particularly in the centre where there is a slight depression. Found at a height of about 3000 feet at the head of Glen Muick. Presented by Colonel MACKENZIE, Braichlie, Ballater.

(15) "Second Brass" of the Emperor Hadrian, found in the south-east corner of the Antonine Fort at Mumrills during building work at the house called Westpark, Sandy Loan. Presented by the finder, JOHN BAIRD, Lauriston, per Samuel Smith, Corresponding Member.

(16) Fragment of undecorated pottery, and a polished bone implement,  $3\frac{3}{8}$  inches long, from a kitchen-midden at Galson, Lewis. Presented by Dr R. STEVENSON DOIG, M.O.H., Lewis.

(17) Relics from H.M. Office of Works excavations during 1939 at the Brough of Birsay, Orkney. Presented by D. S. WALLACE, W.S., F.S.A.Scot.

(18) Sawn block of whalebone with inscribed circle, from Freswick Links. Presented by SIMON BREMNER, Corresponding Member.

(19) Octagonal brooch of bronze, finely patinated, with curved sides; the faces bear alternating panels of incised saltires and dotted parallel lines. Circular brooch of bronze with copper pin, roughly made with small stamped leaf design repeated round the edge of the upper face. Found at Coalis, near Newton, North Uist, by the donor. Presented by JOHN MACASKILL, Newton, Lochmaddy, North Uist.

(20) Lion ewer of brass, found in a dug-out canoe in Kilbirnie Loch, Ayrshire, in 1868 or 1869, along with a three-legged pot. (See *Proceedings*, vol. ix. p. 385.) Presented by Miss ROSE B. MYRTLE, Greenbank, Audlem, Cheshire.

(21) Iron axe-head  $5\frac{3}{4}$  inches long, with flaring blade,  $3\frac{7}{8}$  inches wide. Found in a stream near Ledbaig on the way to Loch Assynt, Sutherlandshire. Presented by the finder, J. C. MCLAREN, c/o Stevens, 15 Marchmont Crescent, Edinburgh.

(22) Silver Groat of James I. Presented by Mrs F. INGOLDSBY, 2 Elliot Park, Edinburgh 11, per James S. Richardson, F.S.A.Scot.

(23) Fragment of stained glass, probably seventeenth-century Flemish, showing two female heads. Found over sixty years ago in the garden of the Oak House, Ormiston, East Lothian. Presented by HAROLD S. GEIKIE, Edgware, Middlesex.

(24) Gold and enamel ring, containing under a crystal a gilt medallion bearing a bust of Prince Charles Edward in relief; on the four-scrrolled hoop is inscribed in reverse on white enamel C.P.R./DUM/SPIRAT/SPERO. (See p. 127.) Presented by the NATIONAL ART-COLLECTIONS FUND.

(25) Oval gold locket  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch by  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch with loop for suspension; under a crystal the initials JR 8 in filigree surmounted by an embossed and coloured crown, all surrounded by a looped filigree border. On the back is engraved "Gift L<sup>d</sup> Huntly To J<sup>no</sup> Grant 1802." Pocket mirror in brown shagreen-covered case, oval with flattened ends  $3\frac{11}{16}$  inches by  $2\frac{9}{16}$  inches, one hook

of the two catches missing. Believed to have belonged to Prince Charles Edward and to have been given by him to Cluny Macpherson. Gold toothpick, the centre part twisted like a screw. Also believed to have belonged to Prince Charles Edward and to have been given by him to Cluny Macpherson. Late eighteenth-century ivory box  $3\frac{3}{8}$  inches by 1 inch, containing the foregoing. These objects have been handed down in the family of Grant to Miss Frances Mary Grant, who died in 1927. Bequeathed by Mrs H. R. Loos, 13 Hillcrest Road, London, S.E. 6.

(26) Touting horn 11 inches long. The horn has been pared down near the mouthpiece to form a hand grip, except for a double ring to hold a cord. The body of the horn is engraved with a map of N.E. America as it was in mid-eighteenth century, showing the rivers, lakes, disposition of the forts, and pictorial features; and incorporating the Royal Arms of Great Britain and a crest, a hand grasping two sprigs of olive, with the motto *INSPERATA FLORUT* (*sic*) (Cleghorn or Watson). A curved projection, with serrated edge, at the mouth is pierced by two holes for suspension. Bequeathed by A. F. IMLACH, of 13 Ravelston Park, Edinburgh.



Fig. 2. Hall-marks on pewter plate.

(27) Twenty-seven pewter plates, of five sizes, large  $16\frac{1}{2}$  inches, medium  $14\frac{7}{8}$  inches, medium deep  $14\frac{5}{8}$  inches, small  $9\frac{5}{8}$  inches, and small deep 9 inches. The last size is unusual. Seventeen were made by John (Brow?)n, Edinburgh, and are "hall-marked" with a thistle, rose, lion rampant, and fleur-de-lis (fig. 2); three are medium, two medium deep, six small and six small deep, and except for one medium deep one they bear the initials IS EW scratched on the back. Five were made by William Hunter, Edinburgh, and bear his "touch" and "hall-mark" (Cotterell No. 2473); one medium and two small plates bear scratched initials IW MB, while the two large ones have IS alone. Five were made by (William) Ballantyne, Edinburgh; one is medium deep and four are small. These have the initials IS.

Elizabeth Waugh married James Smith probably at the Original

Secession Church, Shottsburn, shortly before 1780, but the Rev. John Dickson has been unable to trace any record. She died at Kirkroads Cottage, Bathgate, in 1847, her husband having predeceased her. The family tradition is that she sometimes lent this set of pewter for marriages and funerals, etc., and that the last occasion when they were so lent was in November 1811 for the funeral of the Rev. Mr Jardine.

Bequeathed by their great-grandson, Mr ROBERT RENNIE, at the instance of Mr W. Kirkness, F.S.A.Scot., and deposited by his niece, Miss DIVINA RENNIE, 103 Glasgow Road, Bathgate.

(28) Toddy-ladle of silver having inset in the bottom a shilling of George II. Octagonal tea-caddy of wood 5 inches high, the sides and top having decorative panels of rolled paper-work below glass. Bequeathed by ELIZABETH HAMILTON DALRYMPLE SHAND, widow of Alexander Marjoribanks.

(29) Seventy-nine Communion Tokens. Presented by J. R. LOCKIE, F.S.A.Scot.

(30) Silver medal with traces of gilding,  $1\frac{1}{8}$  inch in diameter. *Obverse*: Man in armour with plumed helmet and flying cloak, and sword upraised, mounted on a prancing steed: around the words I · WILL AND · DARE. *Reverse*: Royal Crown above a thistle having a bunch of contorted leaves: around GRATA · SUPERVENIET · QUAE · NON · SPERABITUR · HORA. The significance of this medal is unknown. The suggestion made in the *British Numismatic Journal*, vol. vii. (1923-24), where an example is illustrated (p. 202), that it is of Jacobite origin, seems unlikely. The Lord Lyon King of Arms has kindly examined the Crown and considers that it indicates a date not earlier than about 1810. Presented by W. D. COOKSON, 66 Kells Lane North, Low Fell, Gateshead.

(31) Perthshire Trade Token (DEANSTON COTTON MILL) and a brass check for KIRKCALDY OR DYSART FERRY. Presented by Mrs McLAREN, 28 Gayfield Square, Edinburgh.

(32) Lead or pewter token "GREIG EDIN<sup>R</sup>". White metal medal  $2\frac{9}{32}$  inches in diameter, made by Ottley, Birmingham, commemorating the "Exhibition of Industry of All Nations. London. 1851," the design including a representation of Paxton's Crystal Palace. White metal medal  $1\frac{5}{16}$  inch in diameter, "in commemoration of the Edinburgh Forestry Exhibition, 1884," bearing the heads and names of the Prince of Wales and Princess Alexandra. Presented by ALEXANDER STUART, Lochrin House, Craiglockhart Terrace, Edinburgh.

(33) Circular badge of pewter, bearing the words HENRY BOULTER TOWN PORTER. Used in Edinburgh by the donor's great-grandfather. Presented by J. E. BROWN, Sunnydene, Bonnyrigg.

(34) Pair of steel-rimmed spectacles in green shagreen case, used by Sir James Gillespie Graham, Architect, Edinburgh. Three pairs of steel-

rimmed spectacles, one with black rings round the lenses. Pair of tortoise-shell spectacles (one lens missing), used by Mrs John Maule, mother of the architect. Circular snuff-box of polished rosewood in two lenticular halves, probably used by a member of the Maule family. Bequeathed by Miss C. H. MAULE HORNE, Joppa.

(35) Iron two-edged knife with wooden handle, with nails probably for a leather strap, found in the rafters of a cottage on the east shore of Loch Leven; Portmoak Parish, Kinross-shire. Presented by A. L. ARCHIBALD, 19 Craigcrook Square, Edinburgh 4.

(36) Drying or toasting rack of iron. Presented by Mr and Mrs R. K. DALZIELL, Hall Rule, Bonchester Bridge, Hawick.

(37) Modern flail from Ayrshire. Sykes patent shot belt of leather. Bequeathed by ARCHIBALD FAIRBAIRN, F.S.A.Scot., Muirkirk, Ayrshire.

(38) Clay tobacco pipe. Presented by THOMAS MACMASTER, F.S.A.Scot.

(39) Object of clay fired hard and black, shaped like a quarrel-head. Length  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch, breadth of one of the four sides  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch. Found among the roots of an old tree at Torsonce, Midlothian. Presented by DOUGLAS SERVICE of Torsonce, F.S.A.Scot.

(40) Cleaver of iron with iron shaft found at Maiden Bridge, Newbattle Abbey, Midlothian. Presented by Colonel A. C. T. WHITE, V.C., No. 1 Formation College.

(41) Horse-shoe shaped iron door-knocker, with ornamental dots forming a border and central pattern, and door-nail, said to be from the door of Old Gordon House, Edinburgh. Presented by A. J. YOUNG, L.R.C.P. & S. (Edin.), Christchurch, Hants.

(42) Oil-lamp of tinned iron  $9\frac{3}{4}$  inches high, with wire loop for suspension, found in a cottage in Comrie. Presented by WM. STELL, Comrie.

#### *Purchases.*

(1) Arrow-head of grey-brown flint, broad-pointed tang, tip blunted by retouch and rather thick. Flattened globular bead of bluish-pink material, much sand-worn. Ring of penannular brooch of bronze, flat below, moulded on upper surface: the zoomorphic terminals have flattened ends, behind which circular eyes project with hollowed centres, followed by a further transverse moulding: outer diameters of ring  $\frac{6}{8}$  inch by  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch, thickness  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch. (This is from the same mould as the brooch illustrated in the Museum's Catalogue, 1892, p. 89.) All from Glenluce Sands.

(2) Eight Trade Tokens: 4/9d. CATRINE COTTON WORKS, Ayrshire; 2/6d. ROTHESAY MILLS; BALFRON VICT SOCIETY, Stirlingshire; 5/- GLASGOW BANK;  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. LANARK COTTON MILLS; 1/6d. and ? 2/6d. ADELPHI COTTONWORK Perthshire; 5/3d. PAISLEY DOLLAR SOCIETY. From the COKAYNE COLLECTION.

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1945-46.

*Donations.*

- (1) *The Creative Centuries.* By Henry John Randall. Presented by Professor V. GORDON CHILDE, D.Litt., D.Sc., F.B.A., V.-P.S.A., F.S.A.Scot.
- (2) *Edinburgh University Calendar for 1945-46.*
- (3) *Cereals in Great Britain and Ireland in Prehistoric and Early Historic Times.* By Knud Jessen and Hans Helbaek. Presented by THE AUTHORS.
- (4) *Reigate, Its Story through the Ages.* By Wilfrid Hooper, LL.D., F.S.A. Presented by THE AUTHOR.
- (5) *Supplement to Catalogue of the National Gallery of Scotland.*
- (6) *More Thoughts and Comments of a Doctor.* By F. Parkes Weber, M.A., M.D. Presented by THE AUTHOR.
- (7) *Samson and the Lion.* A reprint from the *Gazette des Beaux-Arts.* By Wolfgang Born. Presented by THE AUTHOR.
- (8) *The Minnesota Archaeologist with article "Indian Trade Silver of Canada."* By Marius Barbeau.  
*Notes on Indian Trade Silver Ornaments in Michigan.* By George I. Quimby.  
*Dates Indian Burials in Michigan.* By George I. Quimby.  
Presented by JAMES TAIT, F.S.A.Scot., 870 Emerson Avenue, Detroit.
- (9) *Chronique de Jean Le Bel, Volumes I and II.* By Jules Viard and Eugene Deprez.  
*Cathedrals.* Published by the Great Western Railway Company.  
*Historical and Descriptive Notes of the Ecclesiastical Remains at Glendalough, Co. Wicklow.*  
*Aranoes.* Extract from *Kungl. Vitterhets Akademie, Stockholm, 1927.*  
*Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy, Volume XXVII, Section C, No. 15.*  
Presented by W. MACKAY MACKENZIE, M.A., D.Litt., H.R.S.A., F.S.A.Scot.
- (10) *Bonner Jahrbücher, Volumes 145, 146, 147.* Presented by KENNETH A. STEER, M.A., Ph.D.
- (11) *Illustrated Catalogue, Anglo-Saxon Leicestershire and Rutland.* Presented by CITY OF LEICESTER MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY.
- (12) *Space, Time and Race, or The Age of Man in America.* By Dr R. E. G. Armatloe, F.S.A.Scot. Presented by THE AUTHOR.
- (13) *The Viking Graves in Great Britain and Ireland.* By Professor Dr.philos. Haakon Shetelig, Hon. F.S.A.Scot. Presented by THE AUTHOR.

(14) Orkney and Shetland, 12th Report of Royal Commission on Ancient Monuments, Scotland. Three volumes.

(15) The Word Ogham. By L. J. D. Richardson, M.A. Presented by THE AUTHOR.

(16) Private Catalogue of Armour, Weapons, etc., in the collection of Sir Noel Paton. Presented by Mrs C. E. WHITELOW.

(17) Stenalter Bopladder I Aamosen. By Therkel Mathiassen (Copenhagen, 1943). From ROYAL SOCIETY OF NORTHERN ANTIQUARIES.

(18) The Scientific Research Fund of 1919. "Viking Antiquities in Great Britain and Ireland," five volumes. Edited by Professor Dr.philos. Haakon Shetelig (Oslo, 1940).

(19) Regional Libraries Scheme for Wales and Monmouthshire, 13th and 14th Annual Reports, 1944, 1945.

(20) Guia Turistica de Cartagena (1946). Sent by DIRECTOR, Periodicals Department, The British Council.

*Purchases.*

Illustrations of Incised Monumental Slabs on the Continent of Europe. By R. H. Edleston.

Préhistoire. Tomes vii., viii. and ix.

Analecta Bollandiana, Indices. Vols. xli.-lx. (1923-42).

Acta Archæologica, Kobenhaven. Vol. ix. Fasc. 3; Vols. x.-xv. Fasc. 1-3.

Welsh Folk Crafts and Industries. By Iorwerth C. Peate.

A Find of the Early Iron Age from Llyn Cerrig Bach, Anglesey. By Sir Cyril Fox, Ph.D., P.S.A., F.B.A.

The History and Romance of the Paisley Shawl. By A. M. Stewart.

Corpus Inscriptionum Insularum Celticarum. Vol. i. By Professor R. A. S. Macalister, M.A., Litt.D., M.R.I.A.



ANNIVERSARY MEETING, 30th November 1946.

WILLIAM ANGUS, LL.D., Vice-President, in the Chair.

Sir Francis Grant and the Rev. John M. Connor 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:—

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The Right Hon. THE EARL OF HADDINGTON, M.C., T.D.

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A Ballot having been taken, the following were elected Fellows: Cyril Aldred, B.A.; George Donald Banks; Miss Elsie J. Begg; Walter R. Bett, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., F.R.S.L., F.R.S.A.; Captain Ian C. Cameron; Rev. James Chisholm; Rev. Albert Connon; The Right Hon. The Earl of Crawford and Balcarres; John Telfer Dunbar; Walter Duncan, M.A., J.P.; Mrs Annie I. Dunlop, O.B.E., M.A., Ph.D., D.Litt; Alan Gardner; Donald Gillies; Rev. Robert B. Hannen, M.A.; John E. Hooper; Rev. George P. Innes, M.A., LL.B.; J. T. A. Johnson; J. W. H. Johnson, C.A.; Rev. John W. Kilpatrick, M.A., B.D., Ph.D.; Arthur Knight, B.Sc., A.R.T.C.; Philip Lindsay; The Hon. Lord Mackay; Archibald MacWhirter; Robert Norman Marshall; J. B. Mason; John Fraser Matthew, F.R.I.B.A., F.R.I.A.S.; George Maxwell; Miss Frances Mercer, A.R.I.B.A.; Rev. F. H. Amphlett Micklewright, M.A., F.R.Hist.S.; Captain Hugo B. Millar; G. T. Mowat, F.R.C.S.; Miss Constance M. Mullins; Eric W. H. Nairn, S.S.C.; The Baron Ouchterlony of Kellie; Mrs C. M. Piggott, F.S.A.; David Charles Scott-Moncrieff; Rev. Constantine Sinclair; Ralph F. Smith, F.R.Econ.S.; Theodore Radford F. Thomson, M.A., M.D.; John Tweedie, L.D.S.; James K. Wands.

The Assistant-Secretary read the following List of Members deceased since the last Anniversary Meeting: *Fellows*—J. Craig Annan; Rev. T. Ratcliffe Barnett, Ph.D.; Sheriff George Brown; Emeritus Professor Thomas H. Bryce, M.A., M.D., LL.D., F.R.S.; Rev. Will Burnett, B.D.; H. R. Campbell; Colin Hugh Dakers, M.C.; William Reid Gardner, M.B.E., J.P.; Sir Alexander Gibb, G.B.E., C.B., LL.D., F.R.S.; Will Grant; William Greenhill, C.A.; Henry F. Kerr, A.R.I.B.A.; W. T. Ketchen, W.S.; Robert James Larg, J.P.; Sheriff John Dean Leslie; William Elder Levie; John W. M. Loney; Rev. John MacLean; Robert A. McLellan, M.I.Loco.E.; Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D.; Rev. Malcolm Macleod, M.A.; Thomas Purdie; Rev. Gordon Quig, M.A., B.D.; Joseph Riley Ratcliffe, M.B., C.M., F.R.S.E.; W. G. Aitchison Robertson, M.D., D.Sc., F.R.C.P.E.; J. M. Rusk, O.B.E., J.P., S.S.C.; John Russell; Robert Taylor Skinner, M.A., F.R.S.E.; Alexander Smith, M.A., F.R.S.A.; Rev. William Stephen, B.D., D.D.; James Cowan Thyne; Malcolm Warrack; James Watt, LL.D., W.S., F.F.A.; Percy William Weston, F.R.G.S., F.C.S., F.Z.S.

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

## ANNUAL REPORT.

The Council herewith submits to the Fellows of the Society its Report for the year ending 30th November 1946.

<i>Fellowship.</i> —The total number of Fellows on the Roll at	
30th November 1945 was . . . . .	832
At 30th November 1946 the number was . . . . .	822
	—
being a decrease of . . . . .	10

The number of new Fellows added to the roll during the year was 27, while 34 died, 5 resigned, and 6 allowed their membership to lapse.

*Proceedings.*—It was hoped that Volume LXXIX would by this time have been ready for issue, but delays are unavoidable in view of present conditions in the printing trade. The volume is now, however, in the binders' hands, and should be issued very soon. It contains seven papers, including the Address by The Right Hon. Lord Normand at the reopening of the Museum in March 1945. There are two papers on prehistoric subjects, and the rest deal with later periods.

Professor Childe, who has acted as honorary Editor since 1938 and who kindly undertook responsibility for the forthcoming volume, has now relinquished this task upon his appointment to the Chair of Prehistoric European Archæology in the University of London; and the Council anew expresses its cordial thanks to him for this and many other services to the Society. The editorship is now in the hands of the Assistant-Secretary.

#### *The Museum.*

*Staff.*—Professor V. Gordon Childe relinquished his position as honorary Acting Director in the beginning of February 1946, Mr R. B. K. Stevenson having at that time been specially released from military service. At the beginning of October 1946 Mr Stevenson was promoted to succeed the late Mr A. J. H. Edwards, retaining, however, the title of "Keeper," which the Secretary of State considered to be more appropriate for the post than that of "Director," in use since 1913.

Other staffing changes have to be recorded. For a period at the end of 1945 Professor Childe had the part-time assistance of Mr Ian Finlay, of the Royal Scottish Museum. Mr J. E. Brown commenced work in November 1945, filling the temporary post of assistant Technical Assistant.

*Exhibition.*—The prehistoric, Roman and Viking collections were reopened to the public on 10th June 1946. The special arrangement of the ground-floor gallery has been retained pending redecoration.

*Accessions.*—Attention need be drawn only to a few of the year's acquisitions. The most important is a gold and enamel Jacobite finger-ring of unusually fine workmanship, formerly owned by the Setons of Touch, which was presented by the National Art Collections

Fund to which the Museum has already been much indebted in the past. Twenty-seven pewter plates were bequeathed by Mr Robert Rennie, Bathgate; they belonged to his great-grandfather and grandmother, and include fifteen bearing an unrecorded Edinburgh touch. Another bequest, by Mr A. F. Imlach, is an eighteenth-century touting horn engraved with a map of North-East America and a crest, probably Cleghorn or Watson. Mr J. R. Lockie, F.S.A.Scot., has again made an important addition of seventy-nine items to the Communion Token collection.

A mediæval lion ewer of brass found in Kilbirnie Loch, Ayrshire, and described in *Proc. Soc. Ant. Scot.*, vol. ix. p. 384, was presented by Miss R. B. Myrtle. A Celtic brooch and other finds from the Brough of Birsay, Orkney, were given by Mr D. S. Wallace, F.S.A.Scot.

Among the prehistoric objects are a number of urns, two faience beads and other objects, found at Longniddry, East Lothian, and presented by the Earl of Wemyss; a cinerary urn and fragments of others from Monkton, Prestwick, Ayrshire, presented by Colonel Bellingham; a food-vessel urn from Glenapp, Ayrshire, presented by Lord Inchcape; and an encrusted cinerary urn from Kilmagad, Kinross-shire, presented by Mr D. Nicol. More unusual gifts are part of a penannular brooch of Romano-Celtic type found in 1848 in a grave at Luffness, East Lothian, presented by Major Hope of Luffness; and a core axe of flint from Fair Isle, given by Mr G. A. Cumming.

The few purchases included eight rare early nineteenth-century trade tokens.

The total number of acquisitions during the year was 257, of which 246 were by donation or bequest and 11 by purchase. They include a number of objects which for a considerable time have been deposited in the Museum. For purposes of record and ease of finding, objects lying unrecorded in the Museum are being gradually registered, but none of these are included in the above total.

*The Library.*—The Library has been open throughout the year. It has acquired 33 volumes by donation and 16 by purchase. In addition, and worthy of particular mention, is the gift by his daughter, Mrs Pitman, of a large part of the library of the late Dr James Curle, including many books relating to Roman culture and antiquities, and several sets of lantern slides dealing with that period.

Exchange of publications has been largely resumed with foreign societies.

The thanks of the Council is due to Dr W. D. Simpson for his services as honorary Librarian, from which post (as has been indicated) he now retires.

*Excavations.*—During the course of the year Mr Walter Grant of Trumland and Professor Childe were engaged in certain operations at Rinyo, in Orkney, the results of which are to be described and published. In the late summer Dr A. O. Curle undertook excavations in Caithness, meeting the costs of travel and subsistence himself, while the cost of labour was met from the funds of the Society. He explored extensively a “Wag” at Forse, in the parish of Latheron, and is preparing an account of his discoveries. Dr Ian A. Richmond obtained a grant for excavation at Inveresk, and has made discoveries concerning the Roman fort, the value of which will be more clearly demonstrated when digging can be resumed.

*Rhind Lectureship.*—Two series of Rhind Lectures have been delivered during the current year. The first series was given in June by Professor Haakon Shetelig, his subject being “Scandinavian Art of the Post-Christian Pagan Period.” The other series was delivered in October by Mr Bryan H. St. J. O’Neil on “Castles and Cannon: A Study of Early Artillery Fortifications in England.” It is expected that the Rhind Lecture for 1947 will be delivered by Mr James S. Richardson, H.M. Inspector of Ancient Monuments in Scotland, who has selected as his subject “Scottish Mediæval Structures and Arts.”

*Gunning Fellowship.*—The Fellowship for 1946 was awarded to Mr Robert B. K. Stevenson.

*Chalmers-Jervise Prize.*—The area selected for advertisement of this Prize for the current year was the County of Selkirk, but no essays have so far been received. In consequence, however, of appeal through the Local Education Officer, the name of a candidate has been received, and a further extension of time has been allowed for preparation of the essay.

(Signed) WM. ANGUS,  
*Vice-President.*

Dr E. W. M. Balfour-Melville moved the adoption of the Report and the motion was seconded by Brigadier-General E. Craig-Brown.

Mr James S. Richardson drew attention to the services which Professor V. Gordon Childe had rendered to the Society as honorary Editor of the *Proceedings*, and to the Museum, and moved that a letter of thanks be sent to him from the Society. This was seconded by Sir Francis Grant, and cordially agreed to.

At this point the Chair was taken by Mr J. M. Davidson, O.B.E., F.C.I.S., F.S.A., Senior Vice-President.

It was indicated that the customary Statement of Accounts by the Treasurer was not forthcoming, but would be circulated to the members at a later date.

## MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY:

*Monday, 14th January 1946, WILLIAM ANGUS, LL.D.,  
Vice-President, in the Chair.*

A Ballot having been taken, the following were elected Fellows: Mrs Margaret Inglis Barron; Thomas D. Davidson; Miss Elizabeth Barron Henderson; John D. Mackay, M.A.; Bryan H. St J. O'Neil, M.A., F.S.A.; Thomas J. Sampson, J.P., M.I.Q.; Rev. Professor C. J. Mullo Weir, B.D., D.Phil.(Oxon.).

The following Communications were read:—

- I. A Bronze Worker's Anvil and other Tools recently acquired by the Inverness Museum, with a Note on another Scottish Anvil, by Professor V. Gordon Childe, D.Litt., D.Sc., F.B.A., V.-P.S.A.
- II. Symbol Stone at Inchyra, by T. McLaren, F.S.A.Scot.
- III. The Inauguration of Alexander III, by Miss M. D. Legge.

*Monday, 11th February 1946, WILLIAM ANGUS, LL.D.,  
Vice-President, in the Chair.*

A Ballot having been taken, the following were elected Fellows: James Birrell; Lieut.-Colonel A. H. Buchanan-Dunlop of Drumhead, O.B.E., T.D.; Herbert Charles Glennie, M.A.; E. W. Scobie Stringer, D.Ph.S., M.R.S.T., M.R.A.I.; Rev. D. Gunn Sutherland; Miss Jessie Braidwood Webster, M.A.

The following Communications were read:—

- I. The Abbot's Cross, Forfarshire, by Wm. Fenton, F.S.A.Scot.
- II. Notes on Duns and some other Antiquities in Colonsay and Islay, by Mrs C. M. Piggott, F.S.A.
- III. Hoards of Stone Knives, by Peter Moar, Corresponding Member.

*Monday, 11th March 1946, W. MACKAY MACKENZIE, M.A., D.Litt.,  
in the Chair.*

A Ballot having been taken, the following were elected Fellows: Robert Coltart Craig; Robert Dickson, J.P.; Mrs D. V. Hereward; Andrew Warnock McCall; Robert Moncrieff; Rev. T. W. Whitehead, B.D., Ph.D.

The following Communications were read:—

- I. A New Roman Mountain-road in Roxburghshire, by Ian A. Richmond, M.A., V.-P.S.A., F.S.A.Scot.
- II. Notes on some Northumbrian "Peles," by Angus Graham, M.A., F.S.A., F.S.A.Scot.