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Donations.

(1) Relics from the links south of Hedderwick Sands and west of Hedderwick Burn, on the Tyne Estuary near Dunbar, East Lothian. Of the several hundred Neolithic and Bronze Age potsherds many were described by the late J. Graham Callander in the Proceedings, vol. ixiii. The collection also includes four hundred flint implements and various objects of stone. Presented by the finder, James S. Richardson, F.S.A.Scot., with the permission of the Right Hon. the Earl of Haddington, M.C., T.D., F.S.A.Scot., President.

(2) Bronze palstave from Gavinston, Duns, and a collection of stone implements, including over eight hundred of flint and very many fragments, from Lauderdale and adjacent areas. About a hundred of the flint implements come from the prolific Airhouse Farm. Presented by the late H. Readman, Maxwell Place, Kelso.

(3) Various stone objects found on Airhouse Farm, Lauderdale. Dumbbell-shaped bronze stud, length 85 inch, having a serrated collar on either side of the central bar, probably from Newstead Fort (fig. 1, 4). Presented by J. R. Fortune, Corresponding Member.

(4) Twenty-six worked flints and three of chert; three spindle whorls; a jet pendant, 9 inch by 85 inch by 2 inch, in the form of a Maltese cross, having inscribed on one face six dot-and-circles. Found on the Farm of Traboun, Lauder, Berwickshire. Flint knife found by the donor on Flockhouse Farm, Blairadam, Kinross-shire. Presented by George S. Guthrie, Cockairney Feus, Cleish, Kinross.

(5) Tanged and barbed arrow-head and the butt-half of a flint knife. Found by the donor, S. G. Fingland, in his garden at 100 Carrick Knowe Avenue, Edinburgh.

(6) Lop-sided arrow-head of dark grey-brown flint, found near the Knaps, Killellan, Kilmalcolm, by the late Norman Deggerman, the donor's grandfather. (See Notes, p. 179.) Presented by Miss C. M. Mullins, F.S.A.Scot.

(7) Two small flint cores and a worked flake, found in the garden of "Fourwinds," Port Dunbar, Wick, by the donor, Charles Begg, F.S.A.Scot.


(9) Stone ball, grey-green in colour, having six flat knobs, found in the
Rusky Burn, Port of Menteith, Perthshire. Presented by A. MacKeith, Fettes College, Edinburgh.

(10) Stone axe of dark grey schist with rough surface, length 6.4 inches, found at Gallow Hill, Monikie, Angus. Presented by James F. Anton, Bridge of Cally, Perthshire.

(11) Axe of polished flint, patinated yellow-brown, one corner broken, the edges slightly flattened. Found at Caldhame, Kinnordy, Angus, in 1835, and formerly in the Lyell collection. Presented by the Geological Department, University of Edinburgh, per Professor S. Piggott, B.Litt., F.S.A.Scot.


(13) Hammer consisting of the base of a red-deer antler, length 3.75 inches, maximum diameter of shaft hole 1.05 inch. Found at Watnall, Nottingham, “in the sandstone rock.” Presented by J. Brelsford, Foo Shan, Fairlight Cove, Sussex.

(14) Two sherds of a Neolithic B rim, found on Glenluce Sands by the donor, James S. Richardson, F.S.A.Scot.

(15) Relics from excavations at Rinyo, Rousay, Orkney, in 1946. (See above, pp. 34–42.) Fragmentary Neolithic bowl of dark corky ware, and part of the upper part of another of rather gritty ware, black at the core, both decorated in Unstan fashion, from a chambered cairn at Kierfe Hill, Rousay. Fragments of rather coarse hard reddish-buff pottery from a mound underneath the farm of Swandale, Sourin, Rousay. Fragments of a quadrangular steatite urn with two grooves below the rim, and a cleat-like object of steatite 2 inches long, from a cist at Trumland, Rousay. Relics from the excavation of a long house at Swandro, Rousay. Presented by the late Walter G. Grant of Trumland, F.S.A.Scot.

(16) Food-vessel, found in a short cist near Abernethy, Perthshire. (See Notes, p. 185.) Presented by Perth County Council.

(17) Five food-vessels and portions of two others; cast of miniature food-vessel, 8 inch high; half a dozen pieces of an undecorated vessel with a red exterior; eleven barrel-shaped beads of jet; sixty-eight disc-shaped jet beads, 25 inch or less in diameter, and three white ones; triangular splinter of flint; modern brass ring. From Greenhill Cairn, Balmerino, Fife. (See Proceedings, vol. xxxvi. pp. 635–53.) Several of the vessels have been on loan in the Museum for many years. Presented by Captain H. J. Scrymgour-Wedderburn, Birkhill House, Balmerino, Fife.

(18) Upper portion of a food-vessel, found in a cist during the excavation of a cairn at Kalemouth, Roxburghshire, in 1932. Presented by His Grace The Duke of Buccleuch, Drumlanrig Castle, Thornhill, Dumfriesshire.
(19) Fragments of a collared cinerary urn, an iron object, and a flint scraper, from the excavation in 1927 of a cairn on the Kip, Falla, Oxnam, Roxburghshire. (See Notes, p. 183.) Fragment of the upper portion of a reddish food-vessel (fig. 1, 1), found in a small cairn on Camphouse Farm, close to Camptown, Roxburghshire. Fragments of a grey food-vessel, with black core and inner surface, rim diameter estimated 6 inches (fig. 1, 2)—this vessel is extremely similar to one from Alwinton, Northumberland (B.M. Bronze Age Guide, 1920, p. 69 and fig. 60); knife of pale grey flint, 2-2 inches long, 6 inch wide, retouched on both edges of the upper face, half of one edge being finely serrated, and another 1-6 inch long, 1-2 inch wide, the long sides retouched on alternate faces, both from under one of the kerb stones; from a grave-circle about 12 feet across, surrounded with stones, at about 800 feet O.D. on Camphouse Farm, near the Romano-British Fort, Edgerston. Portions of a reddish beaker, estimated height 8-5 inches, decorated with roughly executed notched impressions criss-crossed in horizontal zones, from Edgerston Estate. Presented by Mrs F. S. Oliver, F.S.A.Scot.

(20) Cinerary urns from the Late Bronze Age cemetery at Pinkie Mains (West), Musselburgh. (See Notes, p. 177.) Presented by Musselburgh Town Council.

(21) Late Bronze Age penannular “lock-ring” of gold, diameter 1-05 inch, of hollow triangular cross-section, each side consisting of a separate thin corrugated strip, joined together by folding the edges over (Pl. XXIV, 1). Found near the Biggar Water, Boghall, Lanarkshire. Presented by the finder, Miss G. I. C. Govan, 43 Nile Grove, Edinburgh.

(22) Bronze double-edged razor and part of its wooden sheath, found in Laughton’s Knowe Cairn, Holm, Orkney. (See Notes, p. 173.) Presented by P. Sutherland Graeme, F.S.A.Scot.

(23) Relics from Midhowe Broch, Rousay, Orkney. (See Proceedings, vol. lxviii.) Bequeathed by Walter G. Grant of Trumland.

(24) Fragments of hand-made pot rims (fig. 1, 5–7), walls, and bases, one of the latter having in the centre an impressed dot-and-circle made with the finger-tips; pounders of pink granite; small steatite mould for a ring, .75 inch in diameter; small lumps of pumice; part of a cast-iron cannon ball. From the Cumlins, Olnesfirth, Shetland (Royal Commission Inventory, No. 1363). Found when the edge of the mound was encroached upon by about 3 feet in constructing a farm road in 1935–37. (The vessel from the same site described in Proceedings, vol. lxxi. p. 23, is now illustrated in fig. 1, 8.) Presented by John Sutherland, The Cumlins, Olnesfirth, through Peter Moar, Corresponding Member.

(25) Fragments of a vessel of black pottery, having a bevel on the inside of the lip and a sharp shoulder 1 inch below the rim. Found under 4 feet of peat about ½ mile north-east of the houses of Murrion, Eshaness, Northmavine, Shetland. Portion of a slab of red sandstone, sculptured on one side,
(1 and 2) Food-vessels from Edgerston, Roxburghshire; (3) Silver hand-pin, Freswick, Caithness;
(4) Bronze stud, Newstead Fort; (6-8) Pottery from Olnesfirth, Shetland.

(No. 1 two-thirds; Nos. 3 and 4 full size; all the rest half-size.)
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including near the edge four or five ogham letters (Pl. XXII, 4): the two apparent scores between N and A are much less definite than the others, and their ends were certainly not joined, while what might be interpreted as dots on either side of the stem line separating the words are probably accidental bruises. Portion of a slab of grey sandstone having a meander pattern sculptured on one side. Both from Whiteness, Shetland, having originally been dug up in the churchyard there. Presented by Peter Moar, Corresponding Member.

(26) Penannular bronze brooch, less pin; the ring, 2-6 inches in diameter, is very thin, of circular cross-section, and has thicker elongated triangular terminals with faint traces of mouldings of zoomorphic character. Found about 1887 in a “Picts House” at Shurreray, Caithness. Ring-headed bronze pin and a slate whetstone found in the Viking grave at Reay (described in Proceedings, vol. lxii). Bronze strap-end found on Sandside Links, Reay, Caithness: (See Proceedings, vol. lxiii. p. 139.) Presented by Alan D. Pilkington, F.S.A.Scot.

(27) Relics from the excavation of two homesteads, Crock Cleuch, Morebattle, Roxburghshire (see above, pp. 151–5). Presented by P. J. Bruce, Mervinslaw, Jedburgh, per K. A. Steer, F.S.A.Scot.

(28) Relics from the further excavation of a hut-circle in Braidwood Fort, near Penicuik, Midlothian. Presented by I. G. H. Warden, South Slipperfield, West Linton.

(29) Cross-slab of sandstone, 2 feet 9 inches high, 1 foot 8-5 inches wide at top, and 1 foot 4-5 inches wide at bottom (described in Early Christian Monuments as Invergowrie No. 1): the edges are now seen to be carved—on top, a single row of key-pattern in squares; on the sides, a four-cord interface broken by symmetrical loops. Part of a cross-slab of sandstone, 1 foot 5 inches high by 1 foot 5 inches wide (Early Christian Monuments, Invergowrie No. 2); it has suffered very considerably from the weather. Removed from the Old Kirk of Dargie, Invergowrie, for safe keeping, by the Ministry of Works, after consultation with the General Trustees of the Church of Scotland and Monifieth District Council.

(30) Wooden tub, the sides cut out of a single piece. Warped fragments, probably of the tub’s lid. Fragments of a small tub found inside the first, and consisting of several staves having horizontal slots cut in them on the outside for dovetailing them together. Found some 5 feet below the original surface of a peat moss at Priesthoulland, Eshaness, Northmavine, Shetland. Presented by the finder, Thomas Thomason, Priesthoulland, Eshaness.

(31) Two roughly shaped sharpening-stones of schist, dug up in a peat moss about 500 yards north-west of Easter Aleemoor Farmhouse, Hawick. Presented by Mr Ferguson, Easter Aleemoor, Hawick, per A. Graham, F.S.A.Scot.

(32) Two small pieces of coarse brown linen, backed by white paper
bearing the following inscription: “Piece of the sere cloth, taken from the body of King Robert the Bruce when exhumed, given to my brother, W. F. Watson, by Charles Kilpatrick Sharpe. Helen Aberdeen Watson. Part of which my brother gave me. H. A. W.” Presented by E. Hamilton Gordon, 30 Shrewsbury Road, Oxton, Birkenhead.

(33) Pointed oval seal matrix of bronze, 2.65 inches by 1.75 inch (Pl. XXIV, 2), found in 1946 near some foundations beside an old road in field 71 (O.S., Northants, LXI. N.W.), Furtho Manor, Northamptonshire. A full-length facing bishop’s figure, staff in one hand, the other raised in blessing, stands within a narrow Gothic arcade: above, in an elaborate trefoil-headed niche, are the Virgin and Child half length; at the sides, outwith the arcade, is the legend • S: HÉRICI · D’I · GRĀ · | · EĪ · ABERDONEN •. Gilding remains in the engraved parts of the matrix and on the edge, and there are traces on the back also. There was no spine or knob on the back, the only sign of any attachment being a crack in the metal at either end and the fact that the lower end has been broken off, which suggest a swivel mounting.

Henry de Lychtont, bishop of Aberdeen 1422–40, may be ruled out entirely on stylistic grounds, though his seal is not known. The only other Henry, le Chen (1281–1328), is known to have had a totally dissimilar seal.¹ The troubles of his times and his very long and chequered tenure might well explain a second seal, and the present find-spot. In that period, too, seal designers abandoned the plain bishops’ figures for more elaborate devices,² and their experimentation might have exceptionally combined the half-length Madonna ³ with the standing bishop, not to speak of the general elaboration of detail on our matrix. Dr Marguerite Wood, however, points out that the lettering is also peculiar. Presented by W. J. Jones, Furtho Manor, by Bletchley, Buckinghamshire, per the Northamptonshire Record Society.


(36) Three-legged skillet, 7.2 inches high, much damaged, and brass spoon with seal-top knop, found together in the moss at the Loch of Balshando, Lundie, Angus, over a century ago. Presented by Miss Helen G. Henderson, 362 Blackness Road, Dundee.

(37) Six tempera paintings on wood of the Sybils—Persica, Libica,

¹ W. de G. Birch, History of Scottish Seals, No. 67.
³ Cf. Birch, Nos. 71 and 93.

(38) Arm-chair of pinewood, height 3 feet 10 inches. AB ♯ III, with date 1671 below, carved on head-piece, and pairs of scrolls at top of head-piece and in front below seat. From near Darvel, Ayrshire. Presented by Mrs G. B. Robertson, Gateside Farm, Linlithgow.


(41) Length of fine hard tartan cloth of wool and silk, 26·5 inches by 73·5 inches, with initials IMP embroidered in one corner. This is the Macpherson of Crubin “plaid” mentioned in McIan’s Highlanders at Home, 1848, pp. 118–19. Presented by Miss Dorothea I. Harrison, “Sliab Fana,” Newcourt Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow.

(42) Cream-coloured brocaded silk dress with underskirt, embroidered with many coloured floral design, also in silk, and having cream-coloured crochet work on front panels of dress and sleeves outlined in red silk thread. Long piece of Brussels bobbin lace. The dress, with the lace, is believed to have been worn at the Court of George II. Two pairs of lady’s embroidered shoes. Paisley harness plaid of finely woven black cloth, with border; this shawl belonged to the donor’s mother, in the 1860’s. Presented by Mrs M. A. Hamilton, Delgany, Jordans, near Beaconsfield, Bucks.

(43) Highland purse of chamois leather with brass clasp, the inside lined with blue silk and the outside covered with white damasked silk of which only part remains. Sold about 1870 as having belonged to Prince Charles Edward. Presented by Miss Elsie J. Kerr and Miss Eileen M. Kerr, 78 St Saviours Road, St Leonards-on-Sea.

(44) Eight eighteenth-century trade tokens. Presented by Duncan S. Napier, 3 Marchhall Road, Edinburgh, per J. R. Lockie, F.S.A.Scot.


(46) Pewter tappit hen, height 10·5 inches, having scratched on the outside of the lid the initials IS EW. (See Proceedings, vol. lxxx. p. 154.) Presented by Miss D. Rennie, 103 Glasgow Road, Bathgate.

(47) Brass fishing-reel, formerly belonging to Sir Walter Scott. Presented by Mrs M. N. Cherry, 95 Mount Road South, Sunderland.

(48) Wooden tobacco pipe with screw-on bowl and horn mouthpiece,

(49) Horn spoon, deep bowl 6 inches by 5.2 inches across, tapering handle 9.2 inches long. Probably from Fife. Presented by J. J. Cooper.

(50) Wooden bowl turned out of one piece, height 5 inches, external rim diameter 11.8 inches. Formerly used as communal 'bros caup' by the hired men at Cairncake Farm, Cuminestown, Aberdeenshire. Presented by Mrs M. Cook, Schoolhouse, Whithorn.

(51) Double-heart-shaped brooch of silver, 3.1 inches high, 2.2 inches broad; the rather elaborately scrolled members are engraved with leaf and scroll designs. On back hall-mark: thistle, WM, Gothic I damaged; above Head of William IV; below Gothic I. (Probably Edinburgh 1840-41.) Presented by Jas. Tait, F.S.A.Scot.

(52) Small white metal medal commemorating the repeal of the Corn Laws, 1846. Presented by Miss Verona Gow, 19 India Street, Edinburgh.

(53) Knitting sheath of plain mahogany, length 6.9 inches. Presented in the name of Mrs Maryann McCallum.

(54) White silk parasol embroidered in white, a silk fringe at the top and edge; slender folding handle of ivory, with two silk tassels attached, and carved ivory tip and ring; overall length 28½ inches. Presented by Mrs Agnes Knight, Brunswick Road, Douglas, Isle of Man.

**Purchases.**

(1) Socketed bronze axe with loop, from near Forres.

(2) Stone cup of globular shape, with an ornamental groove below the rim. Carved ball of grey-blue stone, with six low knobs, considerably damaged. No provenance.

(3) Cast, in bronze, of the La Tène bronze sword scabbard found near Bargany House, Dailly, Ayrshire, and now preserved in St Andrews University (Pl. XXV). By permission of the University Court.

(4) Silver "hand-pin," the lower half of the shank bent slightly (fig. 1, 3), 4 inches long. On the face two "trumpets" rise from a central roundel filled with blue enamel, subdividing the spandrels, which are filled with pale green enamel marbled with red; the same green and red enamel fills three grooves on the edge, and there are also traces of green enamel in the front of the three "fingers" which surmount the head. Found in a ruined structure on Freswick Links, Caithness.

(4a) Bronze strap-end, 1.8 inch long, with decoration cast in high relief (Pl. XXIV, 4). Ascribed by Professor Haakon Shetelig, Hon.F.S.A.Scot., to the Norse eleventh-century "Urnes style." Found on Freswick Links, Caithness.
1. Penannular "lock-ring" from Boghall, Lanarkshire (Donation 21).
2. Impression from seal matrix of Henry, Bishop of Aberdeen (Donation 33).
3. Electrotype of "Kames Brooch" (Purchase 6).
4. Bronze strap-end, from Freswick, Caithness (Purchase 46).
(All slightly over full-size.)
Photograph of (a) the original Early Iron Age bronze scabbard from Bargany, Ayrshire, now in St Andrews University Museum; (b) enlargement of lower end (other side).
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(5) Alexander III long double cross silver penny; Alexander III silver farthing.

(6) Electrotype of the back and front of the "Kames Brooch," long preserved by the Bannatyne family (Pl. XXIV, 3). Front, six small dragons in high relief, each grasping the rear paws of the one in front with mouth and left front paw, their tails being round each other's necks. Engraved in relief on the back, + (Maltese) IHESUS ᵃ NAZARENUS ᵃ CRUCIFIXUS ᵃ REX | IUDÆORM (sic) ᵃ IASPER ᵃ MEL ᵃ PCHIOR ᵃ A in two concentric lines; and incised on the pin, ATROPA. The original is in the possession of Sir Malcolm Macgregor of Macgregor, who gave permission for the electro to be made.

(7) Silver forty-shilling piece of James VI, 1582. Formerly in the Cochran-Patrick Collection.

(8) Silver medal commemorating the battle of Sheriffmuir, 1715. Silver medal commemorating Reduction of Carlisle, 1745.

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