

*May 10, 1852.*

ROBERT CHAMBERS, Esq., in the Chair.

The following valuable Donations from the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, presented through John Henderson, Esq., Queen's Remembrancer for Scotland, were laid on the Table :—

COINS.

GREEK, *Silver.*

1 Phocis, 1 Bœotia, 1 Athens, 1 Parthia, Arsaces xxi, 1 ; found at Braco, parish of Shotts, Lanarkshire.

ROMAN, *Silver.*—Found on the line of the Roman Road, near Braco.

Consular—1 Postumia.

Imperial—1 Galba, 1 Domitianus, 2 Trajanus, 3 Hadrianus, 1 Sabina, 1 Antoninus Pius, 1 Aurelius, 1 Lucilla, 1 Commodus, 1 Crispina.

ENGLISH.

Thirty-four Silver Coins, being a portion of upwards of ninety, chiefly Anglo-Saxon pennies, found on the farm of Mackrie, in the parish of Kildalton, island of Islay, and county of Argyll. In addition to the Anglo-Saxon and other coins, of which a detailed report is given, this valuable hoard also included four masses of silver, found along with the hoard. These weigh respectively 5 dwt. and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  dwt., 4 dwt. and 3 dwt. ; the square pieces having the first weights. It is probable that these passed by weight, as at present in China, as they appear to be carefully adjusted to some standard.

Elizabeth—shilling and two sixpences. James I.—shilling and sixpence. Charles I.—half-crown, three shillings, and a sixpence. Charles II.—hammered shilling, two milled half-crowns. James II.—two half-crowns. William III.—half-crown and shilling.

SCOTTISH.

*Gold.*

James VI.—half-rider, 1599 ; found near Brechin, Forfarshire.

*Silver.*

James VI.—thistle merk, 1602. Charles II.—two-merk piece, 5 merks, 4 quarter-dollars. James II.—4 ten-shillings. William and Mary—1 ten-shillings. William III.—2 ten-shillings, 1 five-shillings.

*Billon and Copper.*—Found in the parish of Edzell, Forfarshire.

James II.—12 halfpence. James IV.—2 placks. James V.—1 penny. Mary—1 plack; 2 hardheads, dates 1555, 1556, the last a new date. James VI.—7 hardheads with lion; 1 with arms; 1 half hardhead, the third known? 1 plack.

Twenty-two foreign coins in silver, chiefly of the seventeenth century, of France, Austria, Saxony, Holland, Sweden, and three of Monaco; one French copper double tournois, 1639; one brass jetton of uncertain locality.—Found at Baads, parish of Peterculter, Aberdeenshire.

A massive Gold Armilla, weighing 6 oz. 10 dwt. 6 grs., found on the property of Bonnyside, Stirlingshire.

A Bronze Cauldron, 14 inches high, decorated with ornamental border in relief, found on the farm of Inchterff, parish of Kilsyth, Stirlingshire.

A Brass Matrix, pointed oval, of the fifteenth century: seal of the official of Brechin, of beautiful workmanship and in fine preservation. Front head of a mitred Bishop, probably St Columba. Below a hunting-horn stringed. The background diapered. Legend: **Sigillum \* curie \* officialis \* brechinensis**. It was found on the Links of Montrose in 1848.

Fragment of a large Bell recently found in the ruins of Aberbrothoc Abbey, with portion of an inscription in beautiful and highly ornamented characters of the fourteenth century,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch high: **ORC** . . . .  
**STC** † . . . .

## IRON DAGGER, EAST LANGTON.

An Iron Dagger and Knife found on the farm of East Langton, Mid-Lothian. Dr Wilson furnishes the following account of this discovery in the Prehistoric Annals of Scotland, p. 433. "On the 22d November 1849, some farm-servants engaged in draining a field at East Langton, in the parish of Kirknewton, Mid-Lothian, found a skeleton about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet below the surface. The body lay south-west by north-east, imbedded in moss about 3 inches thick. Near the feet were found an iron knife and a dagger, with the remains of a wooden handle and a