

MINUTES OF THE ANNIVERSARY MEETING OF THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND HELD IN THE LIBRARY ON SATURDAY, 30th November 1963, AT 4 P.M., THE HON. LORD MIGDALE, M.A., PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

Mr W. Latto and Mr J. C. Wallace, M.A., 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*

The Hon. LORD MIGDALE, M.A.

*Vice-Presidents*

Professor DENYS HAY, M.A.

THE RIGHT HON. LORD CLYDE, P.C., LL.D.

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*Secretaries*

ANGUS GRAHAM, M.A., F.S.A.

Miss MARION CAMPBELL OF KILBERRY

*For Foreign Correspondence*

Professor STUART PIGGOTT, B.LITT., D.LITT.HUM., F.B.A., F.S.A.

Miss ANNE S. ROBERTSON, M.A., F.M.A., F.S.A.



The following have intimated their Resignation: Miss M. M. O. Douglas; G. J. Hughes; A. McKerral; Miss J. O. Ramsay; Rev. Alexander R. Sparke; Lt.-Colonel J. P. Stewart; Rev. Benjamin Timmins.

The Secretary read the following Report by the Council on the affairs of the Society for the year 1962-3:

### ANNUAL REPORT

The Council herewith submits to the Fellows of the Society its Report for the year ending 30th November 1963:

#### *Fellowship*

During the year the Society has gained 49 new Fellows (48 by election and 1 by reinstatement) and lost 47 (23 through death, 7 by resignation, 10 through lapse of subscriptions and re-checking of the list has further resulted in the erasure of 7 names).

The Roll now comprises:	Honorary Fellows	14
	Fellows	1002
	Corresponding Members	2
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	Total	1018
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#### *Meetings*

The Anniversary Meeting was held on 30th November 1962. Monthly meetings then continued until April 1963 and were resumed in October 1963.

*Inchtuthil Report.* The usual extra meeting was held on 22nd March 1963 for Professor Richmond's report on the progress of the Inchtuthil excavations.

*Rhind Lectures.* The Rhind Lectures for 1963-4 will be given on 18th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, 24th and 25th March 1964 by Mr D. F. Allen, B.A., F.B.A., F.S.A., on 'The Coins of the Ancient Celts'.

#### *Administration*

*Centenary.* Our only remaining Lady Associate, Dr M. A. Murray, celebrated her 100th birthday on 13th July 1963. The Council sent her a letter on behalf of the Society congratulating her on the event. It was with great sorrow that we read of her death recently.

*Abstract of Accounts.* In order to save expense on printing and postage, an Abstract of the Treasurer's Annual Account is exhibited for inspection by Fellows in the library. The circulation of copies to individual Fellows has been discontinued.

#### *Editor's Report 1962-3*

Volume XCIV of Proceedings, which included a List of Fellows, was published in September, an improvement of two months over last year. Council acknowledges with thanks grants made towards the publication of papers by H.M. Treasury (for the Royal Commission on Ancient and Historical Monuments), the East Lothian County Council, the Council for British Archaeology and the Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland.

One paper for Volume XCV, for which a grant has been promised, has been delayed,

but the remainder has been sent to the printers and publication is expected in the summer of 1964. This will be similar in size to Volume XCIV, but in the interests of economy the Rules of the Society and other introductory matter have been omitted.

Material already exists for Volume XCVI.

*Chalmers-Jervise Prize.* The competition for the Chalmers-Jervise Prize was advertised to the public through the newspapers on 1st March 1963. The closing date for entries was 31st October, by which time a number of entries had been received. Judges are being appointed and the results will be announced in due course.

#### *Special Grants. Excavation and Research*

The following grants have been made out of Society funds for excavation and other field work.

Major-General J. Scott-Elliot	Hut circle near Glencaple, Dumfries.
R. W. Feachem	} Enclosed Cremation Cemeteries in Peeblesshire.
A. MacLaren	
Dr J. K. S. St Joseph	
Allan Wilson	Flavian Fort at Inveresk.
	The possible Roman Fortlet at Bankhead, Kirkconnel, Dumfriesshire.
Miss Anne S. Robertson	Scottish Field School of Archaeology Training School at Birrens.
Dr K. A. Steer	Excavations at Lyne.
Miss M. Campbell of Kilberry	Excavation of St Columba's Cave, Loch Caolisport (allocated last year but not used and re-allocated for this year).

In addition an emergency grant was made to Mrs M. E. C. Stewart for excavations at a Stone Circle near Aberfeldy.

#### *Representatives*

The Society sent representatives to the following:

150th Anniversary of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne.

The Meeting at Glasgow University for the formation of a Trust for the establishment of a folk museum at the township of Auchindrain in Argyll.

The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Haddington, K.T., M.C., T.D., LL.D., was re-elected as the Society's Representative on the Board of Trustees for the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland.

*Sale of Publications of the Society.* A Catalogue of the Publications of the Society was produced early in the year and was sent out to all interested. The demand for both off-prints and back copies of Proceedings has been considerable and sales during the year have amounted to £421 15s. 3d. Although the supply of some items has been exhausted, there are still large stocks held which are available for sale.

This Report was unanimously approved on the motion of Mr Grant G. Simpson, seconded by Mr George Murray, M.A.

The President spoke of the state of the Society which he said was very healthy. The public was showing an increasing interest in antiquities and he encouraged all present to urge others to join the Society. The costs of publications were rising and in particular the prices of well-produced works of reference were often beyond the reach of the ordinary private person. The Proceedings of this Society still gave remarkably good value and was

an authoritative and well produced work of reference. He repeated the warning that he gave last year that it was inevitable that the rate of annual subscriptions would have to be increased in the near future; the situation was still critical and the Council was now considering the best means of carrying this out.

The Treasurer then made a Statement regarding the funds of the Society for 1962-3, and read the Auditor's docquet. The Accounts were unanimously approved on the motion of Mr A. Kennedy seconded by Mr L. Grahame MacDougall, A.R.S.A., A.R.I.B.A., F.R.I.A.S.

The following Communication was then read:

SIR DANIEL WILSON: FATHER OF SCOTTISH ARCHAEOLOGY, by W. Douglas Simpson, C.B.E., M.A., D.LITT., LL.D., F.S.A., F.S.A.SCOT.

Mr William H. Valentine, a grand nephew of Sir Daniel Wilson, then spoke about a silver tea-set presented to Sir Daniel Wilson by the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. He had brought with him the silver tray belonging to the tea-set, which he put on view during the Meeting. Mr Valentine stated that he had presented the tea-set to the University of Toronto, of which Sir Daniel Wilson became Principal, with the exception of the silver tray, which he had retained for use by his family.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, sherry was served to Fellows and friends.