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NOTE OF THE DISCOVERY OF ENGLISH PENNIES OF EDWARD I. AND II., IN THE PARISH OF KEIR, DUMFRIESSHIRE. By GEORGE SIM, ESQ., CURATOR OF COINS, S A., SCOT.

The Procurator-Fiscal at Dumfries lately forwarded to the Exchequer 141 pennies of Edward II. and I., found in the parish of Keir in the month of October last, "having been enclosed in a horn, which was, at the time of discovery, protruding from an earth bank." The coins, from the time of discovery, have been till last week in the possession of one of the factors of the Duke of Buccleuch. Some of the local museums being desirous to possess the coins, I have advised that the whole should be restored to the finder, who, in this way, may realise a larger sum than I could recommend should be paid for them. The coins being all very common, we require none of them for the Society's collection.

On examining these coins, they were found all to be well preserved. Many of them read EDWARD, &c., showing that they belong to Edward II. I subjoin a list of the mints, with the number of each:—

London,	.	.	.	.	.	56
Canterbury,	.	.	.	.	.	45
Durham,	.	.	.	.	.	23
St Edmunds,	.	.	.	.	.	6
York,	.	.	.	.	.	5
Berwick,	.	.	.	.	.	2
Bristol,	.	.	.	.	.	2
Newcastle,	.	.	.	.	.	2