
MONDAY, 9th March 1868.

DAVID LAING, Esq., Vice-President, in the Chair.

The following Gentlemen were balloted for and admitted Fellows of the Society :—

The Right Hon. The Earl of STRATHMORE.
The Right Hon. Lord KINNAIRD.
JOSEPH BAIN, Esq., Oatlands, Weybridge.
Rev. JOHN JAMES, Windsor House, Morley.
ROBERT WHYTE, Esq., Procurator-Fiscal of Forfarshire.

The following Gentleman was elected a Corresponding Member :—

EDWARD WILLIAM COOKE, Esq., R.A., London.

ARTHUR'S OVEN.

Mr STUART, Secretary, reported to the meeting the result of an investigation of the supposed site of "Arthur's Oven," on the Carron Water, which, in the meantime, had not been successful. It was resolved to offer the thanks of the Society to Mr Dawson of the Carron Works for the liberal aid which he afforded, and to Sir William Bruce and Colonel Dundas for their interest in the operations.

The following Donations were laid on the table, and thanks voted to the Donors:—

(1.) By WILLIAM SCLANDERS, Esq., Forres.

Two Flint Arrow-heads, and a portion of a Bronze Spear-head, from the Sands of Culbin, Elgin.

(2.) By the Rev. ALEXANDER MILNE, Manse of Tough, Aberdeenshire.

A Circular Stone Dish or Cup (of steatite), $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches high by $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter. The cavity, which is rounded or cup-shaped, is $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide at the upper part, and $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches in depth. The outside of the vessel seems blackened and altered by fire. It is ornamented by three incised lines drawn round it, from half an inch to an inch apart, the spaces between these being filled up by herring-bone work, rudely cut into the stone. The cup has had a handle projecting from one of its sides, which is now broken off. In the style of its ornamentation the cup resembles one of an oblong form found in a cairn at Newton of Auchingoul, parish of Inverkeithney, Banffshire.

A Stone Pestle or Polisher, found at Haybog, parish of Tough. This implement, which is a smooth, water-worn pebble of quartz, of an oblong shape, measures only $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length, $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch in diameter at the larger end, and about 1 inch at the smaller. Both ends are rounded off and highly polished, in a circular manner, by friction.

A flat, oval-shaped Stone, with a perforation in the centre, found at Auld Kirk, Keirn, Aberdeenshire.

(3.) By the Rev. W. STEWART, Strichen, Aberdeenshire.
A portion of Wooden Carving.

(4.) By WILLIAM TAAP, Esq., North Bridge.
An Antique Watch Chain, with seal and key attached.

(5.) By Rev. A. W. CAR-
MICHAEL, Linlithgow.
Twelve Communion Tokens of
the Associate Congregation, Lin-
lithgow, &c. Dates from 1742 to
1833.

(6.) By GEORGE SETON VEITCH,
Esq., F.S.A. Scot.
An Etruscan Finger Ring.

(7.) By GEORGE BELL, M.D.
An Oriental Finger Ring of
silver, with square signet plate of
copper, inscribed with Arabic cha-
racters.

(8.) Through T. C. ARCHER,
Esq., Director of the
Edinburgh Museum of
Science and Art.

A carved figure of St John (?)
in limestone, brought up in an
oyster dredge from the bottom of
the Firth of Forth, many years
ago. The figure is rough and hol-
lowed at the back, and a hole is
cut upwards at the bottom, as if for
setting it upright, on a peg. It was long preserved in the Museum of
Natural History of the University. (See the annexed woodcut.)



Carved Stone Figure dredged up
from the Firth of Forth.
(13½ inches in height)

(9.) By Colonel Sir HENRY JAMES, by authority of the Secretary of State for War.

The National Manuscripts of England. Parts 1, 2, 3. London, 1865-7. folio.

(10.) By the AUTHOR (the Hon. LORD NEAVES).

Songs and Verses, Social and Scientific. Edinburgh, 1868. 4to.

(11.) By ANDREW GIBB, Esq., F.S.A. Scot.

Heraldic Ceiling of the Cathedral Church of Aberdeen. Aberdeen, 1868. 8vo. (Pp. 12.)

(12.) By Sir JOHN LUBBOCK, Bart., F.S.A. Scot. (the Author).

On the Origin of Civilisation and the Primitive Condition of Man. London, 1868. 8vo. (Pp. 16.)

(13.) By Mons. R. F. LE MEN, Corr. Mem. S.A. Scot.

Le Catholicon de Jehan Laquadeuc. Quimper, 1867. 8vo.

The following Communications were read :—