

MONDAY, 11th January 1869.

DAVID LAING, Esq., For. Sec. S.A. Scot., in the Chair.

Upon a ballot, the Rev. JAMES COCHRANE, Minister of Cupar, was duly elected a Fellow of the Society.

The following Donations to the Museum and Library were exhibited, and thanks voted to the several Donors:—

(1.) By ALEXANDER WALKER, Esq., Aberdeen.

A Gold Ornament found in making the Highland Railway at Orton, on the Spey.

(See Communication, by Sir J. Noel Paton, with figure; page 28.)

(2.) By Messrs WYLIE & PEDDIE, C.E.

A Curious Sculptured Group in fine grained sandstone, 23 inches in height and 25 inches in length, representing, apparently, a person of some distinction in bed, at the point of death, and five figures of priests, and others, about to administer the Sacraments of Communion and Extreme Unction of the Roman Catholic Church. (Plate III.)

It was found (as described in the accompanying note, No. IV. p. 48), among the building stones in the foundation of a house, at the foot of Mary King's Close, which was removed to make way for the new buildings forming Cockburn Street, Edinburgh.

(3.) By R. DAWSON, Esq., Cruden.

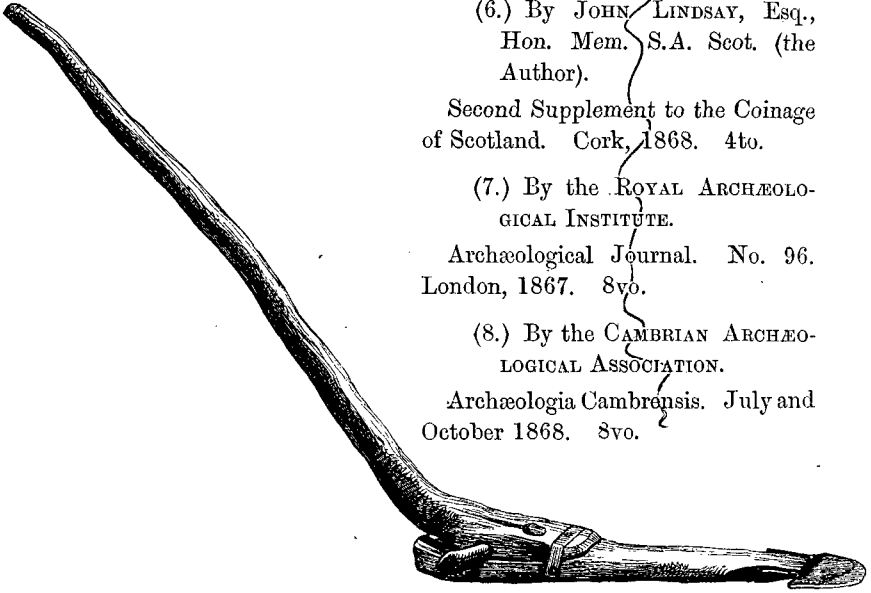
Two Stone Celts, one, partially broken measuring  $6\frac{1}{2}$  inches long by 2 inches broad; the other  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches in length and 3 inches in breadth across the face. They were found in ploughing a field in the parish of Cruden, Aberdeenshire.

(4.) By Right Hon. THE EARL OF STAIR.

A Broad Bronze Ribbed Dagger Blade, 9 inches long, and 4 inches broad next the handle, from which it tapers rapidly towards the point; there are two rivet holes at the broad end or top, for fixing the blade to a handle.

(5.) By MR PETER MACKENZIE, West Plean, Stirlingshire.

Iron Point of a 'Cas-chrom' or foot plough, and an Iron Chisel, found in digging at West Plean, near Stirling.



(6.) By JOHN LINDSAY, Esq.,  
Hon. Mem. S.A. Scot. (the  
Author).

Second Supplement to the Coinage  
of Scotland. Cork, 1868. 4to.

(7.) By the ROYAL ARCHÆOLO-  
GICAL INSTITUTE.

Archæological Journal. No. 96.  
London, 1867. 8vo.

(8.) By the CAMBRIAN ARCHÆO-  
LOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

Archæologia Cambrensis. July and  
October 1868. 8vo.

Cas-chrom, or foot-plough.

(9.) By the ASSOCIATION.

Journal of the Historical and Archæological Association of Ireland.  
Dublin, April 1868. 8vo.

(10.) By the IMPERIAL SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF FRANCE.

Mémoires et Dissertations de la Société Impériale des Antiquaires de  
France. To complete the Second and Third Series. Paris, 1834-1868.  
15 vols. 8vo.

(11.) By the SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.

Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge. Vol. XV. Washington,  
1868. 4to.

Smithsonian Report, 1866. Washington, 1867: 8vo.

The following letters were read from the two HONORARY MEMBERS elected at the last Meeting of the Society :—

“CHELSEA, 20th Dec. 1868

“DEAR SIR,—Will you be so good as signify to the Gentlemen of Society of Antiquaries, who have pleased to nominate me an HONORARY MEMBER, that I accept their kindness with real pleasure, and reckon it a distinguished honour done me. Be pleased to express my humble and cordial thanks for so much friendly feeling on their part, and to beg for a continuance of the same.

“I cannot, myself now hope to contribute much or anything to their important labours; but I may well henceforth welcome with a new interest what I see done by them, and wish my working brethren better and better speed.

“With many kind thanks, I have the honour to be, yours sincerely,

“T. CARLYLE.

“JOHN STUART, Esq., Secy. &c. &c.”

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“THE ROOST, BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS,  
Jan. 2, 1869.

“DEAR SIR,—I have received with much gratification the announcement, that the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland had been pleased to confer on me the distinction of being elected an HONORARY MEMBER of their body.

“I beg to express how highly I appreciate this mark of their favourable consideration.

“The benefits that have for many years accrued to Archæological science from the energetic and well sustained action of the Antiquaries of Scotland, are such as must win the heartiest sympathy and interest of all to whom the study and preservation of national monuments are dear. The remembrance of the courtesies and friendly co-operation that have on so many occasions been accorded by the Society to myself, and the fellow-workers in our common field of investigation, will always be cherished by me with very grateful feeling. With such sentiments, and with cordial interest in the welfare and continued good working of

the Scottish Antiquaries, to whom our common cause is so greatly indebted, I accept, with hearty thanks, the favour that it has been their pleasure to confer on me.—I have the honour to remain, your obedient humble servant,

ALBERT WAY,

V.P. of the Royal Archæological  
Institute of Great Britain and Ireland.

“ JOHN ALEX. SMITH, Esq., M.D.,  
Sec. Soc. Antiq. of Scotland, &c. &c.”

The following Communications were read :—