

MONDAY, 15th June 1881.

REV. THOMAS MACLAUCHLAN, LL.D., Vice-President,
in the Chair.

A Ballot having been taken, the following Gentlemen were duly elected Fellows :—

JOHN CHRISTIE, of Cowden, Dollar.

WILLIAM D. ROBINSON DOUGLAS, Orchardton, Castle-Douglas.

J. W. YOUNG, W.S., 22 Royal Circus.

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

1. By JAMES T. IRVINE, F.S.A. Scot.

Collection of Fragments of Roman Pottery, Glass, &c., consisting of portions of bowls of the red lustrous ware called Samian, Mortaria, &c., chiefly from Roman sites in the south of England.

Fragments of Old Glass from Ludlow Church, Salop.

Two old Knife-blades, two Spoons of Brass, two old iron Keys and one old iron table Fork.

Two specimens of bookbinding, viz. :—A Paradise of Prayers (London, 1665, 12mo), and the first volume of a Bible, printed at London, 1658, 12mo.

(2.) By Miss BARBARA BRUCE IRVINE of Midbrake, Shetland.

Specimen of Leather Work, being a small purse or card case stamped with gilt ornament.

(3.) By ANDREW MACKENZIE, F.S.A. Scot.

Urn of Clay, 14 inches diameter at the mouth, and 13½ inches high, the rim 3 inches deep, surrounded by a zig-zag moulding, and circular projections, implanted on the surface. At various distances small holes are pierced in the rim. It was found in grave No. 8 of the group at AIness,

described by Mr Jolly in the Proceedings, vol. i., New Series, p. 256. It was very much broken when presented, but has since been reconstructed,



Urn found at Alness ($13\frac{1}{2}$ inches high).

and now forms quite a remarkable specimen, inasmuch as it differs from all others that are known in Scotland, both in its ornamentation and in the peculiarity of having the rim pierced with holes.

(4.) By MRS YOUNG M'DOWALL, through the Right Hon. the EARL OF STAIR, F.S.A. Scot.

Sculptured Slab of greywacke from Craignarget, Gillespie, Glenluce, 3 feet 6 inches high by 17 inches wide, bearing the cross on the upper part, with the sun and moon in the usual position above the arms, and two

small crosses underneath, and below them a fylfot or swastika and various other devices, as shown in the accompanying woodcut.

- (5.) By ROBERT CARPRAE, F.S.A.
Scot., Curator of the Museum.

Highland Brooch in Silver and Niello, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches diameter, ornamented with interlaced patterns and foliage. Engraved on the back are the initials G F and M I and the date 1777.

- (6.) By JAMES GALL, Mount Garswood, through Capt. M. GILLON, F.S.A. Scot.

Polished Stone Celt, 6 inches in length, found at Mount Garswood, Sorn, Ayrshire.

- (7.) By Capt. WILLIAM GILLON,
71st Highland Light Infantry, F.S.A. Scot.

Pair of Iron Shears and Hone Stone, found at Lochlea Crannog. (See the previous communication by Capt. Gillon.)

- (8.) By JAMES WADDELL.

Linen-Smoothen with handle of dark-coloured glass, from St Michael's Fife.

Small Bronze Ring with Stone Bead, dug up near St Fort, Fife.

Mr Waddell gives the following account of these objects :—

“The supposed Glass Linen-Smoothen was picked up by me on a rockery in the garden of Mrs Morrison, St Michael's Inn, Fifeshire. All that the old lady could tell me about it was that it had been handed down from her grandmother's great-grandmother. The reason why I picked it up



Sculptured Stone from Craignarget
(3 feet 6 inches high).

was from seeing a similar one about twelve years ago in the possession of a gentleman named M'Hardy, now deceased. He used to show it to me among other relics, as the article used to dress linen by the ladies of old.

"The Earring was found in a trench in a mound in connection with the excavations on the Leuchars and Tay Bridge Railways, Fifeshire."

(9.) By NEILL M'NEILL, Kilchattan, through WILLIAM STEVENSON.

Bronze Octagonal Brooch, 2 inches diameter, found on Ardsinnish Sands, Colonsay.

(10.) By JOHN BLACK, Kilchattan, through Mr WILLIAM STEVENSON.

Lint Heckle, from Colonsay.

(11.) By JOHN STUART PETER of Tigh'n Duin, Killin.

Circular Stone Ball, $2\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter, with seven Circular Discs, found at Urlair, near Aberfeldy.

(12.) By JOHN GLEN, Bank Street.

Old Scottish Spinning-wheel made entirely of Iron.

(13.) By Rev. THOMAS GREENBURY, F.S.A. Scot.

Letter from George III. to the Bishop of London, appointing a collection for the poor of the city of London, 20th February 1769.

(14.) By THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

The Cave Temples of India. By James Fergusson and James Burgess. 4to.

(15.) By JAMES GOW.

Photograph of a Copy of the National Covenant 1638, described in the Proceedings, vol. xii. p. 216.

In a letter accompanying the donation Mr Gow says :—

"I have been requested by William Pearson, Esq. of Kilmany Park,

Gipp's Land, Australia, to send him the copy of the Solemn League and Covenant (signed by one of his forefathers) which was exhibited, in 1877, to your Society, by the late David Laing, Esq., LL.D. Before doing so I have had it photographed, and, as desired by Mr Pearson, I have great pleasure in presenting the Society with a copy."

(16.) By THE AYR AND WIGTOWN ARCHEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

Archæological and Historical Collections relating to the counties of Ayr and Wigtown. Vol. II. 4to, 1880.

(17.) By JAMES AITKEN, Solicitor, Falkirk.

Gold Thistle Noble and Crown of James I. of England; Silver Pennies of Canute and Alexander III.; Groats of James I. and III.; Plack of Mary; Quarter Thistle Mark of James VI.; Fortypenny Piece of Charles I.; Five Shilling Pieces, William and Anne; Thirty Copper Tokens, &c.

There were also exhibited—

By JAMES FRASER, C.E., Inverness.

A series of Plans of Prehistoric Monuments in the neighbourhood of Inverness :—

1. Plan of Hill Fort on Craig Phadrig, Inverness.
2. Plan of Ancient Hill Fort on Torvean, near Inverness.
3. Plan of Dundearduil, near Inverfarigag.
4. Plan of Ancient Hill Fort, Dun-da-Lamh, at Dalchully, Laggan, Inverness.
5. Plan of Dune Mor, an Ancient Hill Fort, west of Beauly.
6. Plan of Ancient Hill Fort on Dun of Daviot.
7. Plan and Section of Broch at Birchfield, Strathkyle, Ross-shire.
8. Plans of Hill Fort and Broch, Struy, Strathglass.
9. Remains of Stone Circle at Tordarroch, Strathnairn.