
MONDAY, 11th *January* 1886.

PROFESSOR NORMAN MACPHERSON, LL.D., Vice-President,
in the Chair.

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

Rev. FRANCIS GEBBIE, 4 Clarendon Crescent.
GEORGE F. MELVILLE, Sheriff-Substitute of the Lothians.
JOHN TOSH, Architect, Whitehall Place, London.
ROBERT HISLOP, Solicitor, Auchterarder.

The following Letters from the newly elected Honorary Fellows of the Society were read by the Secretary :—

WALTON MANOR, OXFORD, 3rd *December* 1885.

To the President and Council of the
Society of Antiquaries of Scotland.

GENTLEMEN,—Allow me to return you my most sincere thanks for the honour you have done me in electing me one of the 25 Honorary Members of your famous Society.—I remain, Gentlemen, yours most sincerely,

JNO. O. WESTWOOD,
M.A., Pres. Oxf. Arch. and Hist. Society.

STOCKHOLM, 10th *December* 1885.

SIR,—I pray you to express to the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland my sincere gratitude because of the great honour shown to me by the election of the 30th November. It will be to me a great pleasure if I can at any time be of some use to your Society, of which I have during several years studied the publications with the highest interest.

I am very glad to have got this occasion to enter into a personal relation to yourself. Your work on *The Past in the Present* has been to me at the same time interesting and useful.—Believe me to be, your obedient servant,

HANS HILDEBRAND,
Royal Antiquary of Sweden.

Arthur Mitchell, M.D., LL.D., Vice-President.

VILLE DE LYON,

MUSEUM DE SCIENCES NATURELLES, le 13th December 1885.

MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT,—Je viens au peu tardivement vous accuser réception de votre honorée lettre par la quelle vous voulez bien m'annoncer que dans sa Reunion generale la Société de Antiquaires d'Ecosse m'avait accorde la faveur considerable de me nommer parmi ses membres Honoraires. Une absence de quelques jours m'a fait differer jusqu'a ce jour ce devoir, je vous prie, Monsieur le President, de bien vouloir m'en excuser.

Connaissant depuis longtemps la valeur et la renomme de votre savante compagnie, je comprend toute la portee de l'insigne honneur qu'elle vient de me conférer ; je ne puis que m'efforser de m'en rendre digne et l'assurer de moi devouement. Je vous reconnaisant, Monsieur le President, d'avoir la bonté de faire agreer a votre illustre compagnie mes sentiments de profonde gratitude et de sympathie.—Veuillez recevoir l'assurance de ma consideration la plus distinguee et de mon respect,

Prof. ERNEST CHANTRE.

Monsieur le Président,
de la Société des Antiquaires d'Ecosse.

ROME, le 15th December 1885.

MONSIEUR,—Je remercie bien vivement cette illustre Société des Antiquaires d'Ecosse de l'honneur qu'elle a bien voulu me faire, m'ayant nommé son Membre honoraire.

Je prie de presenter mes remerciements a tous mes honorables Collègues, et avec l'hommage de la plus respectueuse reconnaissance j'ai l'honneur d'être. Le tres humble et obeissant serviteur,

JEAN B. DE ROSSI.

Monsieur le Président,
de la Société des Antiquaires d'Ecosse, Edimbourg.

GRAND HOTEL, 12 BOULEVARD DES CAPUCINES,
PARIS, 18th December 1885.

DEAR SIR,—I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 30th ult. announcing to me that the celebrated Society of Antiquaries of Scotland has

elected me an Honorary Member of the Society. I feel deeply moved by this signal honour, and should feel overhappy if it were allotted to me to show myself worthy of it. For the present I am overworked, but I hope still to recover, and to undertake some other great work in the Homeric geography in Crete or in Greece proper.

In begging you to present to the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland the expression of my profound gratitude for having thought me worthy of so great an honour, and to send me the Diploma to Athens,—I remain, Dear Sir, your obedient humble servant,

H. SCHLIEMANN.

J. R. Findlay, Secretary of the
Society of Antiquaries of Scotland.

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

(1) By JAMES M. STRACHAN, M.A.

Urn of "food-vessel" shape, 7 inches in diameter at the mouth and $6\frac{3}{4}$ inches high, the whole surface ornamented with horizontal bands of



Urn found near Loch Awe, Argyllshire ($6\frac{3}{4}$ inches in height).

parallel lines and zig-zags, and with two narrow flutings round the shoulders, interrupted by slightly projecting knobs. The lip is thick, and the upper part, which slopes slightly inwards, is ornamented with a

series of triangular impressions. It was found in a cist in the neighbourhood of the lower end of Loch Awe, Argyllshire.

(2) By ROBERT CRUICKSHANKS, Upper Mains of Muireisk.

Several fragments of an Urn of "the tall or drinking cup" variety, found with an unburnt burial in a cist on the farm of Upper Mains of Muireisk, Turriff, Aberdeenshire. [See the subsequent communication.]

(3) By WILLIAM SPROAT, through JOHN MACLAREN, F.S.A. Scot.

Old Curling Stone, being an irregular naturally shaped boulder of greywacke, $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter by 7 inches in height, flattish on the under side, and having a bent iron handle inserted in the top. It was found imbedded in a ditch at Borgue, Kirkeudbrightshire.

(4) By WILLIAM BEATSON, Burgh Surveyor, Leith.

Wooden Water-Pipe, being a rough tree trunk, 10 feet 6 inches in length, with a bore of 6 inches, from Cassell's Place, Leith Walk.

(5) By A. G. RICHMOND, through THOS. B. JOHNSTON, F.S.A. Scot.
Rope of Feathers, from a cave of the Cliff-Dwellers of Utah.

(6) By the TRUSTEES OF THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

Medallie Illustrations of British History. 2 vols. 8vo. 1885.

(7) By SYMINGTON GRIEVE, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

The Great Auk or Garefowl: Its History, Archæology, and Remains. 4to. 1885.

(8) By the SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, Washington, United States.

Publications of the Bureau of Ethnology. Vol. II. 1883.

Publications of the United States Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region. Vol. V. 1882.

(9) By the GLASGOW ARCHEOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Transactions of the Glasgow Archæological Society. New Series. Vol. I. Part 1.

(10) By Rev. CHARLES ROGERS, D.D., LL.D., the Editor.

The Earl of Stirling's Register of Royal Letters relative to the Affairs of Scotland and Nova Scotia from 1615 to 1635. Printed for private circulation. 2 vols. 4to. Edinburgh, 1885.

(11) By A. C. M'INTYRE, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

The Grahams of Gartmore. Privately printed. 4to, 10 pp. 1885.

(12) By ANDREW J. MITCHELL GILL, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

The Families of Moir and Byres. Privately printed. 4to. Edinburgh, 1885.

(13) By THOMAS GRAVES LAW, F.S.A. Scot.

The Pontifical of St Andrews. 4to. Edinburgh (Pitsligo Press), 1885.

There were also Exhibited:—

(1) By the Most Hon. THE MARQUIS OF LOTHIAN, *President*.

Cinerary Urn, found with burnt human bones on Dunion Hill, in the parish of Bedrule, Roxburghshire.

Urn of "drinking-cup" form, found at Mawk's Mill, Gordon, Berwickshire. [See the subsequent communications by Messrs Forrest and Laidlaw.]

(2) By Rev. ALEXANDER LESLIE, Folla Rule, Rothie-Norman, Aberdeenshire.

Photograph of a very large Cinerary Urn, found with burnt human bones at Smiddy Burn, parish of Fyvie, Aberdeenshire. [See the subsequent communication by Mr Leslie.]

(3) By Mrs RAMSAY, Kildalton, Lady Associate.

Bronze Sword found in digging a drain at Lower Coilabus, Oa, Islay. [See the subsequent communication by Mrs Ramsay.]

The following Communications were read:—