
MONDAY, 8th February 1886.

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

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

ROBERT HENRY BLYTH, Bank of Scotland, Moffat.
JAMES LESLIE FRASER, Dental Surgeon, Inverness.
ARCHIBALD MACPHERSON, Architect, 37 George Street.
ALEXANDER JOHN MITCHELL, Advocate, Craighleith House.
ALFRED PULLAR, M.D., 3 East Castle Road.

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

(1) By the SCHOOL BOARD OF AIRLIE.

Small cup-shaped Glass Vessel, found in a stone cist at the Public School, Airlie. [See the subsequent communication by Mr J. Davidson.]

(2) By J. R. HAIG of Blairhill.

Large Cinerary Urn and its contents, found at Easter Gellybank, Kinross-shire. [See the subsequent communication by Mr R. Burns Begg, F.S.A. Scot.]

(3) By JOHN ANDERSON, M.D., LL.D., F.S.A. Scot.

Slab of Micaceous Schist, 19 inches in length by 8 inches in breadth, with five shallow cup-marks on its upper surface, from Tirinne, Glenlyon.

(4) By JAMES MACKINTOSH GOW, F.S.A. Scot.

Cup-marked Stone, 9 inches by 8 inches, with one cup-mark, from Blarish, Fortingall.

(5) By Dr ARTHUR ANDERSON, C.B., F.S.A. Scot., Pitlochry.

Stone with indented hollows on both sides, being an oblong water-worn pebble of reddish sandstone, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length by $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches in breadth and $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches in thickness, having two circular cavities, $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch in diameter, pecked in the centre of its opposite faces, and narrowing until they meet in the centre of the thickness of the stone in a small hole about $\frac{1}{8}$ inch in diameter. It was found in digging the foundations of a house in Pitlochry.

Stone Axe of basalt, $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length by $3\frac{1}{2}$ across the cutting face, found in digging a water-tank in Bundelcund, India.

Stone Axe of diorite, $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches in length by $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches across the cutting face, found in digging the same water-tank in Bundelcund, India.

(6) By Dr WILLIAM TRAILL of Woodwick, F.S.A. Scot.

Small circular Lamp of Terra Cotta, from India.

(7) By Dr JOHN RAE, London.

Small Eskimo Stone Lamp, being a model in miniature of those in general use. Dr Rae states that the larger lamps are sometimes 12 to

18 inches in length. The form of this one is a shallow semicircular dish, divided into two compartments, one of which contains the blubber, which flows when melted into the oil receptacle, in which a wick of moss is placed, the lamp being usually tilted a little to one side to facilitate the flow of the oil from the melting blubber. Each lamp has usually a stone, bone, ivory, or horn implement, used by the women to adjust the moss wicks; that is, if the flame gives off smoke, to push the wick a little further into the oil, which has the same effect as the snuffing of our own old form of tallow candle.

(8) By A. G. REID, F.S.A. Scot., Auchterarder.

Whorl of Black Stone, with double-incised line round the perforation, from Auchterarder.

(9) By WILLIAM HUNTER, F.S.A. Scot., Portobello.

Carved Walking-Stick, made by James Robertson of Kincairgie. (See *Kay's Portraits*, Nos. 2 and 124). Mr Hunter furnishes the following account of the walking-stick:—"The carved walking-stick, made by James Robertson, which I have presented to the Society, was at one time in possession of Mr Hugh Paton, who, a number of years ago, was a printseller in Adam Square, and who published the work entitled *Kay's Edinburgh Portraits*. I first saw it in Mr Paton's house in Portobello some twenty-five or thirty years ago. Mr Paton made a present of it to Mr Robert Scott, treasurer to the burgh of Portobello, who was a keen antiquary. Mr Scott died in June last, and his eldest son, a banker in Glasgow, gave it to me to dispose of as I thought fit. It will be observed that the stick is of a special construction—the head of a 'Shon Dhu,' corporal in the town guard, being fixed permanently, while almost all the numerous heads carved by Robertson were only stuck temporarily on the end of an ordinary walking-stick, and were taken off at pleasure."

(10) By WILLIAM MILLER, S.S.C., F.S.A. Scot.

Fifty-dollar Note, Confederate States of America, February 17, 1864.

- (11) By the SENATUS OF THE UNIVERSITY.
Edinburgh University Calendar, 1885-86.
- (12) By J. T. IRVINE, F.S.A. Scot.
An Account of the Remains of a Roman Villa, discovered at Bignor, Sussex. London, 12mo, plates, 1820.
- (13) By T. WATSON GREIG, the Author.
Ladies Old-fashioned Shoes. By T. Watson Greig of Glencarse. With coloured illustrations from originals in his collection. Oblong folio. Edinburgh, 1885.
- (14) By Rev. JAMES GAMMACK, M.A., Corr. Mem. S.A. Scot.
Memorials of Angus and the Mearns. By the late Andrew Jervise, F.S.A. Scot. Rewritten and corrected by Rev. James Gammack, M.A., Aberdeen. 2 vols. 8vo. 1885.
- (15) By FRANCIS ABBOTT, F.S.A. Scot.
Saint Edmund's Bury—The Abbey, Church, and Monastery. By Edward M. Dewing, M.A. 8vo. 1866.