

MONDAY, 8th April 1901.

PROFESSOR DUNS, D.D., in the Chair.

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

Mrs G. B. AITKEN, 38 Garscube Terrace, Edinburgh.

DAVID CORSAR, The Elms, Arbroath.

Mrs FARQUHARSON of Haughton, Netherton, Meikle.

The Right Hon. the LORD LAMINGTON, Lamington.

Mrs LUCY M. SMITH, 57 Northumberland Street, Edinburgh.

Rev. WILLIAM TAYLOR, M.A., Minister of Melville Parish, Montrose.

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

(1) By Miss SLOAN, Ayr.

Inscribed Talismanic Brooch of Gold (fig. 1), 1 inch in diameter, having on the one side the inscription IESVS NAZARENVS RX, and

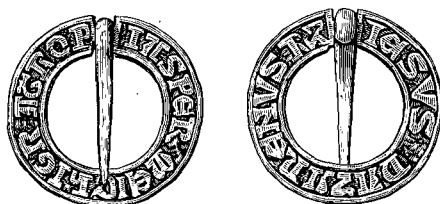


Fig. 1. Inscribed Talismanic Brooch of Gold, found in Islay. (†.)

on the other side IASPER MELCHIOR ATROP. Brooches with similar talismanic inscriptions were not uncommon in the Middle Ages, but this one is peculiar in giving ATROP instead of BALTASAR as

the name of the third of the Magi. Rings and brooches thus inscribed were believed to protect the wearers from various diseases and evil influences. This brooch was found in Islay, and has been long in the possession of the family, of which Miss Sloan is now the sole representative.

(2) By C. A. CARMALT JONES.

Two Scrapers of Flint, and Teeth of Animals, from a cave at Mentone.

(3) By ERSKINE BEVERIDGE, F.S.A. Scot.

Photographs of Dun Carloway, the Stone Circle of Callernish, and Crosses and Fragments of Sculptured Stones in Iona.

(4) By STEWART ARCHIBALD, Dalarossie.

Wooden Graip, found in the roof of an old cottage at Dalarossie, Tomatin, Inverness.

(5) By JOHN R. GAIRDNER.

Old Golf Ball, one of the earliest in Gutta-percha, dated 1840.

(6) By PROFESSOR T. ANNANDALE, M.D., F.S.A. Scot.

Small Snuff-horn from Pretoria.

(7) By NEIL M'WHARRIE.

An old Colt's Revolver in its Case.

(8) By ROBERT GLEN, F.S.A. Scot.

Communion Token of the Parish of Duns, 1774.

(9) By J. HUTCHISON KERR, Harviestoun Castle, through ROBERT ROBERTSON, F.S.A. Scot., Dollar.

Anvil-Stone of Diorite, found on the Cleish Hills,

(10) By Rev. JAMES HUNTER, F.S.A. Scot., Fala.

Six Communion Tokens of Fala Parish Church, 1766.

(11) By ANDREW LINN, Portobello.

Small Sword and Pike-head with back-hook, dug up in deepening a cellar at 26 High Street, Portobello.

(12) By the MASTER OF THE ROLLS.

Calendar of the Patent Rolls, 1467-77; Acts of the Privy Council, 1590-91; Calendar of the Patent Rolls, Edward III., 1340-43; Calendar of State Papers, Ireland, 1625-32; Letters and Papers, Foreign and Domestic, of the reign of Henry VIII., vol. xvii.; Calendar of the Patent Rolls, Richard II., 1385-89; Calendar of Close Rolls, Edward III., 1337-39; Calendar of Treasury Books and Papers, 1735-38; Calendar of State Papers, Venetian, 1603-7; Calendar of Close Rolls, Edward I., 1272-79; Calendar of State Papers, Domestic, 1691-92; Calendar of Patent Rolls, Edward I., 1272-81; Feudal Aids, vol. ii., 1284-1431; Acts of the Privy Council, 1591-92; Catalogue of Ancient Deeds in the Public Record Office, vol. iii.

(13) By Rev. J. E. SOMERVILLE, B.D., F.S.A. Scot.

L'Homme de la Barma-Grande (Baoussé-Roussé) par le Docteur R. Verneau.

(14) By the Hon. JOHN ABERCROMBY, *Foreign Secretary*.

Catalogue of the Bateman Collections of Antiquities in the Sheffield Public Museum, 1899.

(15) By the UNIVERSITY OF CHRISTIANIA.

Norges Indskrift med de Aeldre Runer ved Sophus Bugge. Hefts I.-V.

(16) By the DARTMOOR EXPLORATION COMMITTEE.

Reports of the Dartmoor Exploration Committee, 1894-99.

(17) By the BRADFORD HISTORICAL AND ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY.

The Bradford Antiquary; Journal of the Bradford Historical and Antiquarian Society, 2 vols. in 10 parts, 1881-96.

(18) By THOMAS ROSS, F.S.A. Scot.

Precept of Sasine by Richard Abbot of Incheolm, for infettment of Alexander Scott and his wife in a tenement in Aberdour, 15th November 1548.

(19) By WILLIAM BAIRD, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

General Wauchope. By William Baird. Svo. Second Edition. 1901.

(20) By A. G. REID, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

The Annals of Auchterarder, and Memorials of Strathearn. By Alexander George Reid. Crieff. Svo. 1899. Large paper copy.

(21) By the Hon. JOHN ABERCROMBY, F.S.A. Scot.

Catalogue of the Mortimer Museum at Driffield. By Thomas Shepherd. Svo. 1900.

(22) By ALEXANDER MACPHERSON, F.S.A. Scot., the Author.

Captain John Macpherson of Ballachroan, and the Gaick Catastrophe of 1799. Svo. 1900.

(23) Deposited by the EDINBURGH SUBSCRIPTION LIBRARY, through Mr PETER RONALDSON.

Calendarium Rotulorum Patentium in Turri Londinensi, 1802, folio; Placitorum in domo Capitulari Westmonastriensi Abbreviatio, 1811, folio; Catalogue of the MSS. in the Cottonian Library, 1802, folio; Catalogue of the Harleian MSS., 1808, 4 vols. folio; Index to the Statutes of the Realm, 1824 and 1828, 2 vols. folio. Edinburgh.

(24) By RICHARD C. JACKSON, F.S.A. Scot.

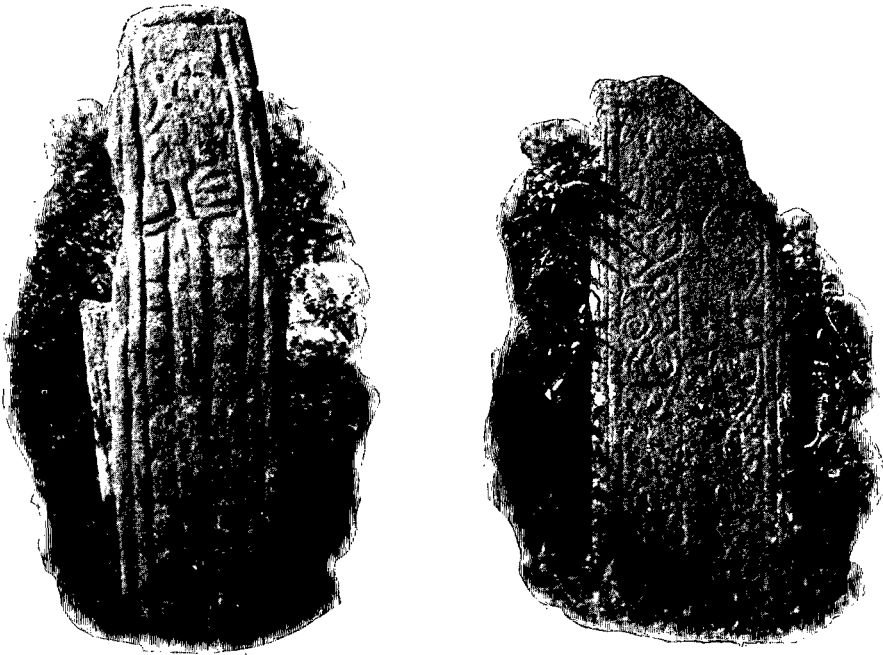
Francesca da Rimini, by H. C. Barlow, M.D., Svo, 1875; The Vernon

Dante, by H. C. Barlow, 8vo, 1870; Testi di Tre Canti della Divina Commedia, 4to, 1870; Sei Cento Lezioni della Divina Commedia, 4to, 1875.

There were Exhibited :—

By Sir JOHN BATTY TUKE, M.D., LL.D., M.P., F.S.A. Scot.

Photographs of three Sculptured Slabs at Kilmalien, near South Aros, in Mull, with rubbings.



Figs. 1, 2. Sculptured slabs at Kilmalien, Mull. From photographs by Mrs Black of Auchentoshan.

The largest of the slabs, which measures 6 feet in length by 18 inches in breadth at the top and 16 inches at the foot, has been described by Professor Duns in his "Notes on North Mull" in the *Proceedings*, vol. xvii. p. 346. The other two, which are here figured from photographs

taken by Mrs Black of Auchentoshan, and sent by Sir J. Batty Tuke, do not seem to have been previously described. Fig. 1, which is 5 feet 5 inches in length and 16 inches in breadth, is of an unusual type and rudely executed. Fig. 2 is of the usual type of West Highland grave slab, but the foliageous ornamentation is of a rather more delicate character than usual, and the careful definition and graceful form of the sword make a striking contrast to the rudeness of the representation of the sword on the other monument.

The following Communications were read :—