

MONDAY, 8th March 1926.

GEORGE MACDONALD, C.B., F.B.A., LL.D., D.LITT.,
in the Chair.

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

GEORGE BLAIR, 4 Kinnoull Place, Glasgow, W. 2.
ARCHIBALD FAIRBAIRN, Wellwood, Muirkirk, Ayrshire.
LOUIS SINCLAIR GRAY, Superintendent H.M. Stationery Office, 47a George Street, and Caledonian United Service Club, Edinburgh.
IAN C. HANNAH, M.A., F.S.A., The Whim, Lamancha, Peeblesshire.
WILLIAM FRASER ANDERSON KINNEAR, Colebrooke, Milngavie.
JAMES LEITCH, Crawriggs, Lenzie.
REV. ANDREW COLQUHOUN MACLEAN, The Manse, Contin, Ross-shire.
JOHN SHANKS, Lic.R.I.B.A., F.I.Archts.(Scot.), Strathyre, Kirkintilloch.

The following Donations to the Museum were intimated and thanks voted to the Donors:—

(1) By the PROVOST and TOWN COUNCIL of Kirkwall.

Funeral Crosier-head, Paten, and Chalice of Lead, and fragments of Gold Threads, found in a grave in the Choir of St Magnus Cathedral, Kirkwall, in February 1924:—

The Crosier-head and its socket are cut out of a single sheet of lead, $\frac{3}{32}$ inch thick, the head measuring $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter and the socket $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches in length. The head, which is circular, is rudely pierced so as to form a cross pattee within a broad, flat ring, ornamented on the one side by double concentric lines round the outer and inner margins, and round the interspaces between the arms, the socket being turned over to this side. The opposite side of the head is similarly decorated, with the addition of another pair of concentric lines half-way between the marginal lines. The socket is corroded away in parts.

The Paten is of flat, circular shape, and measures 5 inches in diameter. It is ornamented on the upper side by a quatrefoil of double lines within double concentric circles, of which another pair is drawn round the margin; the object is imperfect on one side through corrosion of the metal.

Of the Chalice, only part of the bowl remains. It measures about 4 inches in diameter and 1 inch in depth. A considerable part of one side has decayed, and there is now no stem or foot, although it seems once to have had a stand.

Fragments of Threads of Gold, and pieces of a root or twig coated with a deposit of lead. (See *Proceedings*, vol. lix. p. 242, fig. 2.)

(2) By T. W. DEWAR of Harperfield, F.S.A.Scot.

Thirteen Communion Tokens—St Andrews, Deerness, 1807; Edinburgh, West St Giles; Inveraray, Brook 525 and 1835; Lesmahagow, 1806; Kirkintilloch, 1829; Kilmarnock, High Church, 1842; Forfar, 1855; Kirkwall, St Magnus; Lochgelly Associate Congregation, 1772; Hawick, Orrock Place Associate Congregation, 1768; Auchterarder, 1815; and one unidentified.

(3) By the REPRESENTATIVES of the late JAMES GREEN KINNA, Masonfield, through ANDREW M'CORMICK, F.S.A.Scot.

Three Communion Tokens—Minnigaff, Brook 818 and 1808, and Penninghame, 1808.

(4) By JOHN M. CORRIE, F.S.A.Scot.

Four Pigmy Implements from Dryburgh; one of crescentic shape, measures $\frac{3}{4}$ inch by $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, and is made of light grey flint; two are triangular in form and measure $\frac{1\frac{3}{8}}$ inch by $\frac{7}{32}$ inch and $\frac{1\frac{5}{8}}$ inch by $\frac{7}{16}$ inch respectively, of black flint and black chert; and the fourth, which is pointed, and measures $\frac{2\frac{1}{2}}$ inch by $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, is of grey chert.

(5) By E. DRUMMOND YOUNG, F.S.A.Scot.

Four Penannular Armlets from Northern Nigeria, three being made of tin and one of copper.

(6) By Miss A. EVANS, Boulder Cottage, Trevone, Padstow, Cornwall. Communion Token, Free St Leonard's, Perth, 1843.

(7) By JOHN W. M. LONEY, F.S.A.Scot.

Shackle or Leg-iron, consisting of a bow attached to a chain of seven links with a swivel at the end, the bow being closed by inserting a link on the one side through a ring on the other, and locking the first with a padlock, which is wanting. Found in digging a drain on the site of the old castle of Redbraes, Polwarth, Berwickshire.

Patten Frame of Iron, consisting of an oval ring, measuring $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches by $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches, attached to an angled iron plate at each end, which, in turn,

was fixed to the sole of the shoe, thus keeping it 1 inch off the ground. Found nearly fifty years ago in the Fish Pond at Marchmont, Polwarth, Berwickshire.

Northumbrian Knitting-stick, measuring $9\frac{7}{8}$ inches long, the ogee-shaped end for fixing it in the waist-belt ornamented with foliaceous designs on the outside, and the socket-end shod with a ferrule of white metal.

Lucky Stone or Amulet, in the form of an irregular, oval, waterworn pebble of basalt, measuring $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches by $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch by $\frac{9}{16}$ inch, from Polwarth, Berwickshire.

The following purchases for the Museum were intimated:—

Bow Drill, consisting of a bow, spindle, and oval breastplate of iron. The bow has evidently been made from the blade of a rapier or small sword, as the remains of the word "Solingen" can still be traced on it. From Montrose.

Old Glass Flagon with globular body, measuring $12\frac{3}{8}$ inches in height, the neck being $4\frac{3}{8}$ inches long and the body $8\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter, from Lasswade.

Donations of Books, etc., to the Library:—

(1) By JOHN A. STEWART, F.S.A.Scot., the Joint Author.

The Story of the Scottish Flag. By William M'Millan, Ph.D., and John A. Stewart.

(2) By Rev. JOHN STIRTON, B.D., F.S.A.Scot., the Author.

Crathie and Braemar: A History of the United Parish. Aberdeen, 1925.

(3) By E. S. REID TAIT, F.S.A.Scot., the Editor.

The Statistical Account of Shetland, 1791-1799. By Sir John Sinclair, Bart. Lerwick, 1925.

(4) By DAVID MURRAY, LL.D., F.S.A.Scot.

The Hunter Memorial in the University Grounds, Glasgow. Reprinted from the "Glasgow Medical Journal," July 1925.

The Streets of Glasgow and their Story. An Address to the Old Glasgow Club. By the Donor.

(5) By MICHAEL C. ANDREWS, F.R.G.S., F.R.S.G.S., F.R.S.A.I., F.S.A.Scot., the Author.

Mediæval Maps.

(6) By Rev. DOUGLAS G. BARRON, O.B.E., D.D., F.S.A.Scot., the Author.

The Castle of Dunnottar and its History.

(7) By JOHN BRUCE, Vice-President.

Portfolio of Drawings (8 inches by 12 inches), in pencil, of landscape and architectural subjects, made during a tour in Scotland, in 1789, by Joseph Farrington, R.A.

The purchase of the following books for the Library was intimated :—

The Dawn of European Civilization. By V. Gordon Childe, B.Litt. (Oxon.). London, 1925.

Last Leaves of Traditional Ballads and Ballad Airs. Collected by the late Gavin Greig, and edited by Alexander Keith.

The following Communications were read :—