

MONDAY, 11th April 1938.

THE HON. LORD ST VIGEANS, LL.D., Vice-President,
in the Chair.

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

JOHN JOHNSTON, M.B., Ch.B., 7 Albyn Place, Aberdeen.
JAMES MATHESON M'BAIN, Solicitor, Rosemount, Arbroath.
Rev. JOHN H. MACKENZIE, The Manse, Carfin, Lanarkshire.
Rev. RONALD SELBY WRIGHT, M.A., The Manse of the Canongate,
Edinburgh, 8.

Before proceeding with the Business, it was resolved:—

That the Secretaries be instructed to put on record the Society's sense of the great loss which Scottish archæology has sustained through the death of Dr John Graham Callander. His association with the Society and with the National Museum has been long and intimate. Elected a Fellow in 1898, he became an Honorary Secretary in 1913. Six years later he was appointed Director of the Museum and Assistant Secretary. From boyhood he had been an assiduous collector of relics of the ages of stone and bronze, many of them detected by his own observant eye in the fields of the Aberdeenshire farm on which he was brought up. The education thus received proved an invaluable training for what was destined to be his life's work, and was largely instrumental in developing the sureness of judgment in matters archæological for which he was distinguished. It was characteristic that his first contribution to the Society's *Proceedings* should have been a "Notice of a Collection of Perforated Stone Objects from the Garioch, Aberdeenshire." That appeared in 1903, and was the forerunner of a long series of papers, some of them of outstanding importance. Each successive volume that has since been published has contained at least one article from his pen. These range from more or less brief descriptions of new acquisitions or chance discoveries to detailed accounts of extensive excavations and comprehensive surveys of some particular class of objects found in Scotland, such as Neolithic

pottery and Bronze Age hoards. It was perhaps in the surveys that he was seen at his best, for his knowledge of the Scottish material, and not only of that preserved in the National Museum, was unique, and therein lay his strength. During his tenure of the office of Director he had the satisfaction of seeing many large and valuable additions made to the collections under his charge, his devotion to which fell little short of affection. He will long be missed from the meetings of the Society and also from the rooms of the Museum.

ACQUIRED THROUGH THE KING'S AND LORD TREASURER'S
REMEMBRANCE:—

A Hoard of Silver Coins found near Bridge of Don, Aberdeen.
(See Communication by Robert Kerr, F.S.A.Scot., Volume LXXIII.)

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

(1) By HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT:—

Calendar of State Papers. Colonial Series, America and West Indies, 1730. London, 1937.

Calendar of the Close Rolls. Henry VI. Vol. IV., 1441-1447. London, 1937.

Calendar of the Patent Rolls. Philip and Mary. Vol. I., 1553-1554. London, 1937.

Journal of the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations. January 1768 to December 1775. London, 1937.

(2) By THE KEEPER OF THE ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM.

Report of the Visitors, 1937.

(3) By THE DIRECTOR OF THE RUSSELL-COTES ART GALLERY
MUSEUM, BOURNEMOUTH.

Bulletin, Vol. XVII., No. 1.

The following Purchases for the Library were announced:—

Index to "The Diurnal of Occurrents," also Glossary. Edinburgh, 1938.

History of Ormiston. By W. Y. Whitehead, B.D., Phil.D. Haddington, 1937.

Old Kirkintilloch. By the Rt. Hon. Thomas Johnston, P.C., M.P. Kirkintilloch, 1937.

The Roman Pottery Kilns at Little London, Lincs. By Adrian Oswald, M.A. Shirebrook, 1937.

Reports of the Research Committee of the Society of Antiquaries of London. No. XI. Verulamium, a Belgic and two Roman Cities. By R. E. M. Wheeler, D.Litt., V.P.S.A., and T. V. Wheeler, F.S.A. Oxford, 1936.

Der Obergermanisch-Raetische Limes des Roemerreiches. Lieferung LVI. Berlin and Leipzig, 1937.

The following Communications were read:—