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A very remarkable Roman relic has been found in the parish of Carriden, Linlithgowshire; it is a legionary tablet of unusually large dimensions and perfect preservation. At each end there is a bas-relief, the one representing a horseman careering over the slain and wounded Britons, the other is a sacrificial scene. The tablet is of special value as proving that the Wall of Antonine extended to the Forth. Photographs that admirably reproduce the details of the sculpture may be obtained from Mr. Waldie, Linlithgow. Price 2s., or on a smaller scale, 1s, post free.

We announce with pleasure the promise of a volume of English Charters by Mr. Thorpe. Part II., the Topographical portion, of the "Diplomatarium Anglicum" will, together with the first volume published in 1865, comprise the charters of the pre-Norman period. To the county-historian, the church-historian, and the archæologist, this collection cannot fail to be valuable. Each volume of the series will be complete in itself, the whole being arranged in separate counties. The first, now ready for press, will comprise the Topographical Charters of Kent, Sussex, Surrey, Middlesex, and Herts. Subscribers' names are received by Mr. J. R. Smith, 36, Soho Square. Subscription price one guinea.

Mr. EDMUND B. FERREY proposes to publish (by subscription 10s. 6d.) a volume in illustration of South Wingfield Manor, one of the most picturesque relics of its class in Derbyshire. It was built, as supposed, by Lord Cromwell, Lord Treasurer in the reign of Henry VI.; and it may be described as of the transition from Decorated to Perpendicular. The romantic interest of the Manor is enhanced by the fact that it was for several years the prison of Mary Stuart. Subscribers' names may be addressed to the author, 1, Trinity Place, Charing Cross.

In the last issue of the *Collectanea Antiqua*, on the completion of the sixth volume of that inestimable contribution to archæological literature, Mr. ROACH SMITH made known his intention to print memoirs of the late eminent antiquary and draftsman, Fairholt, by whose tasteful pencil his works had been admirably illustrated. The volume will form an indispensable complement to the "*Collectanea*." The proposed subscription is 20s. Names of subscribers should be addressed, without delay, to Mr. Roach Smith, Temple Place, Strood, by Rochester. The impression is strictly limited to subscribers.

A volume of considerable interest in regard to the marches of Wales is in preparation by the Rev. C. J. ROBINSON, Vicar of Norton Canon, Weobley, entitled *History of the Castles of Herefordshire and their Lords*. It will include the castles of Brampton Brian, Bransill, Clifford, Goodrich, Hereford, Kilpeck, Penyard, Weobley, Wigmore, &c. Subscribers' names are received by the author, or by Messrs. Head and Hull, Hereford. The work will form one volume demy 4to, with 25 engravings. Price (to subscribers,) 20s.

On a former occasion we invited notice to the contributions toward a

parochial History of Cornwall, in course of preparation by Mr. JOHN MACLEAN, F.S.A. Part I., containing the Parish of Blisland, in the Deanery of Trigg Minor, has been issued to the subscribers, price 7s. Part II., the History of the Parish and Borough of Bodmin, is ready for the press. Subscribers' names are received by Messrs. Nichols, Parliament Street; or by the Author, Pallingswick Lodge, Hammersmith. The work is amply illustrated. Each parish may be obtained separately.

The Annual Meeting of the CAMBRIAN ARCHÆOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION will be held at Bridgend, commencing on August 9th. The Earl of Dunraven will preside on the occasion.

In the Memoir on Bronze Celtic Relics, at page 62, *ante*, two objects contributed by the Rev. G. F. Weston are described as found at "Graben," in Westmorland. The name of the place should be Graber.

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THE first part of the first volume of the *Documenti Inediti per la Storia delle Armi da Fuoco Italiane*, collected, edited, and published by Captain Angelo Angelucci, the learned Director of the Museum of Artillery at Turin, is now complete. It begins with a "Specification of the arms and armour, munitions of war, and other things, plundered and carried off by the Pavesi after the capture of the castle of Robbio in January, 1203." This is preserved in the communal archives of Vercelli, from which are derived forty-four documents, all earlier than 1564. The archives of Como supply seventy-seven documents, commencing with 1418, an order that Zerbinus Bombardierius be supplied with all necessaries "*pro incessando sue incessari faciendo certas bombardas.*"

We have a trace of English Free-lances in the first document from the Comun of Bielli, dated 1377: "*Quantitates pecunie et alie res et bona per infrascriptos consignata de bonis habitis et captis tam in Castro Bugelle quam extra, ac de bonis Anglicorum tam in denarijs, armis, quam in alijs per comune Bugelle electis ad executionem ipsorum denariorum et aliorum bonorum et rerum vt supra habitorum faciendum.*"

Modena and Ferrara present us with the earliest known mention of fire-arms, when the Marchese Rinaldo d'Este "*præparari fecit maximam quantitatem balistarum, sclopetorum, spingardarum et aliorum militum per terram et per aquam.*" The date is January, 1334. In 1346 we have "*Schiopum unum cum pulvere et [ferro causa] discrocandi, item veretonos quadraginta tres pro dicto Schiopo.*" These references will suffice to shew the treasures of historical information brought to light in this laborious work, which is admirably printed, and illustrated with numerous plates and facsimiles of early codices in the Ambrosian Library and elsewhere. The whole are accompanied by voluminous notes ranging over all questions connected with the archæology of fire-arms, the meaning of the barbarous Latin terms employed, and the contemporary history of the turbulent communities whose records have been so happily preserved. We sincerely trust that Captain Angelo Angelucci will meet the reception his labors deserve at the hands of English students.

It will be acceptable to those who heretofore enjoyed kindly intercourse with our lamented friend, the late Rev. J. L. Petit, and to whom he may have been known only as the accomplished artist,—the critical exponent, also, of the principles and history of Mediæval Architecture, both in our own and in continental countries,—to be informed that he has left a poetical essay of no slight interest and merit. This work, which unfortunately had not received the final revision and prefatory introduction by the author, has been given to the world under the editorial care

of his sister, the constant companion of his architectural studies and researches, by whose tasteful pencil also our Journal has repeatedly been enriched with valuable illustrations. The recently published *reliquiae* of one, by whose cordial sympathy and liberality the purpose of the Institute has for so many years been promoted, are entitled, "The Lesser and the Greater Light;" the poem is accompanied by a portrait of our friend, a faithful and welcome memorial that cannot fail to be valued by those who had occasion to appreciate his cultivated taste and genial disposition.¹

We announce, with satisfaction, the completion of the History of Leeds Castle, Kent, by Charles Wykeham Martin, Esq., M.P. To many of our readers, those especially who availed themselves of the author's friendly invitation during our Annual Meeting at Rochester, in 1863, the great interest of Leeds Castle as an example of the military architecture of the fourteenth century is well known. Mr. Parker has given, in his *Domestic Architecture*, Part II. p. 284, some brief notices from particulars supplied, as we believe, by the present possessor of the castle, to whom we are now indebted for a monograph more worthy of the importance of the subject. The volume is illustrated by eight large photographs and numerous vignettes; the architecture of this once royal fortress is critically discussed, as well as its connection with the histories of several queens consort, with the great Kentish families also, Leyburn, Crevecoeur, Badlesmere, Bouchier, &c. This valuable contribution to Kentish archaeology is published by Messrs. Nichols, imp. 4to., price 2*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*

Announcement has been made, at Paris, of the proposed publication of a "Revue Celtique," a quarterly magazine for Celtic Philology, Literature, and History. The want of some ready means of communication on the special subjects to which this serial will be devoted, has long been recognised in the rapidly increasing pursuit of information that may tend to throw light on the obscure earlier periods. Much, doubtless, has been effected through the influence of recent annual international assemblies of scholars and archaeological students of all countries, whose energies are devoted to prehistoric times. Of the results of their latest conference, namely, that held last year at Norwich, it is satisfactory to anticipate that the promised publication will very speedily be completed, and the annual volume issued to the subscribers.

The Celtic Review, which we now wish to bring under the notice of our readers, will be published at Paris (A. Franck, 67, Rue Richelieu) for subscribers only, whose names may be addressed, in London, to Trübner and Co., 60, Paternoster Row. The annual contribution is 1*l.*; the quarterly numbers, each of about 130 pages, will be forwarded free by post. A detailed prospectus, with a list of the eminent scholars whose assistance has been pledged to the undertaking, may be obtained from Messrs. Trübner.

It is with pleasure that we invite attention to the enlarged edition of the Descriptive Account of the highly valuable collection of antiquities preserved at York, in the grounds and in the museum of the Yorkshire Philosophical Society. The extent and remarkable interest of the inscriptions, sculptures, mosaic pavements, and numerous minor relics both

¹ Published by Bell and Daldy, York Street, Covent Garden; one volume, royal 8vo., 1869.

of Roman times and of mediæval date there combined, are doubtless well known to many of our readers. The manual, originally supplied by the late Rev. C. Wellbeloved, author of "Eburacum," a work in which more ample notices of many of the remains in the Museum may be found, comprises much matter of general interest beyond its value to the casual visitor of one of our richest and best arranged provincial museums. The fifth edition, recently published under the care of the Rev. John Kenrick, with considerable additions, may well claim a place in every library of reference, as a valuable auxiliary to the study of National Antiquities. It may be obtained from Mr. Sotheran, bookseller, Coney Street, York.

It is proposed to reprint (for subscribers only) the History and Antiquities of Coventry, by the late Mr. T. Sharp, F.S.A., a work of very great rarity and value. Twelve copies only were formerly printed for distribution to the friends of the author, who had access to the mass of curious matter preserved amongst the muniments of his native city, and also to copious stores in private hands. In the present edition will be added narratives of several Royal Visits, not previously recorded, with other historical matters of general as well as local interest. Subscribers' names should be sent to Mr. Lynes, Wynn Street, Birmingham; or to Mr. W. G. Tretton, Coventry. Demy 4to, 1*l.* 1*s.*; royal 4to, 1*l.* 1*l.* 6*d.*

Charles Eastlake's edition of Kugler's *Handbook of the Italian Schools*, vol. i., p. 163.—Also an illuminated initial letter, attributed to the same master, an O, from a choral service book.

MEDIAEVAL SEALS.—By Sir THOMAS E. WINNINGTON, Bart.—Grant of the parsonage of Clifton-on-Teme, co. Worcester, to the rector, dated 19 Henry VIII., 1527. The seal of the nunnery of Lymbrook, Herefordshire, is appended; no other impression is known; that exhibited is on red wax, in damaged condition, the device can scarcely be discerned. It was apparently the martyrdom of St. Thomas of Canterbury. The document has recently been found amongst the muniments at Stanford Court; the impropriation, now in possession of Sir Thomas Winnington, belonged to the above-mentioned religious house.

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We have to announce the completion of the volume of *Transactions of the International Congress of Prehistoric Archaeology*, held at Norwich and in London, August, 1868, and containing numerous valuable memoirs read at the Congress, with an abstract of the discussions. It forms one volume, med. 8vo, with 53 plates, comprising numerous illustrations of great interest. London, Longmans and Co. Price (to non-subscribers) 21s. The *Transactions of the recent Congress at Copenhagen*, under the presidency of the eminent archæologist, Worsaae, are in preparation, and will form a very desirable addition to the series of *Prehistoric Year-Books*.

Mr. W. Molyneux, F. G. S., formerly brought under the notice of the Institute the vestiges of a royal hunting-lodge, as supposed, in Cannock Chase, Staffordshire, a relic of the Norman period of which no record has been found. A complete account of his exploration of the site is in forward preparation for this Journal. Mr. Molyneux has lately published his promised *History of Burton-on-Trent*, with notices of remains, British, Roman and Mediæval, annals of the great monastery also, and of the Abbots of Burton, and many matters of value to the archæologist not less than to those interested in the topographical details and geology of the district. The publishers are Trubner and Co., Paternoster Row.

The Rev. H. LONGUEVILLE JONES, for many years well known to us as a talented writer on Historical and Antiquarian subjects, proposes to combine, in one volume 8vo, a selection of memoirs contributed by him to various serial publications. Subscribers' names should be sent to Mr. Russell Smith: the price will be half-a-guinea. We cordially commend this purpose of one of the earliest of our friends and contributors to this journal. Mr. Longueville Jones ranks foremost amongst those whose keen interest in national antiquities has diffused so largely an intelligent taste for their preservation and for the science of archæology. He has special claims on our esteem as the founder of the *Cambrian Archæological Association*, in 1845. Under his care their valuable publications, extending to nearly twenty-five volumes, have been conducted. A detailed prospectus will ere long be issued. Amongst the scattered memoirs selected for the proposed volume will be found subjects of much interest to the general reader.

of the castle to an old fountain." The prisoners however much damaged the building and set fire to part of the keep.

The Colepeper heiress carried the estate to her husband Thomas, 5th Lord Fairfax. Robert, the 7th lord, repaired the dwelling-house and laid out the park, and here, in 1778, entertained George III. and his queen, the latest of very many royal visits to the place.

Lord Fairfax left the castle to his sister's son, Dr. Martin, known later as Dr. Fairfax, who died 1800, and was succeeded by his brother, General Martin, on whose death, in 1821, it descended to Fiennes Wykeham, representative of the younger branch of the Wykehams of Swalcliff, where they held lands as early as the Domesday Survey, and whose son, Charles Wykeham Martin, member for Newport, is the present owner, and author of the history now under notice. The late owner took down the house of the Smiths and replaced it by a large mansion, also in the Tudor style, and no doubt occupying the site of the earliest domestic buildings, the original cellar being a part of the newer structures.

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It is proposed to publish a facsimile of the "*Mappa Mundi*" in Hereford Cathedral, with its curious drawings of historical and other personages. This unique relic of mediæval geography appears, by a verse on the margin, to have been the work of a native of Sleaford, Lincolnshire, Richard of Haldingham, prebendary of Hereford, 1290, and archdeacon of Berks. The original measures 52 in. by 63 in. Its value was first pointed out by Gough, in 1780 (Brit. Topogr., vol. i. p. 71); an imperfect copy was engraved in France about 1844, but it has never been reproduced with the care that so important an object deserves. A detailed prospectus may be obtained from the Rev. F. T. Havergal, Hereford; or Mr. Stanford, Charing Cross, London.

The student of Prehistoric Archæology will hail with satisfaction the completion of the work, by Mr. E. T. Stevens, on Ancient Implements of Stone, of all countries, as illustrated by the collection in the Blackmore Museum, Salisbury. This volume, price 15s., with numerous illustrations, will be published by Messrs. Bell & Daldy, London, and Messrs. Brown, Salisbury. The Author, to whose exertions and intelligence we are mainly indebted for the admirable arrangement of the museum founded by Mr. Blackmore, announces also a Descriptive Guide to that collection, price 2s. 6d. On a future occasion we hope to advert more fully to the highly instructive results of Mr. Stevens' labors in the preparation of a work which cannot fail to be most welcome, at a time when scientific examination of the ancient relics of stone, from every quarter of the globe, has excited such lively interest.

A new work on Ecclesiastical Architecture in Northumberland, a district rich in remarkable examples, is announced by Mr. F. R. Wilson of Alnwick, by whom subscribers' names are received. The volume, entitled "The Churches of Lindisfarne," will comprise 76 churches, illustrated from actual surveys, with historical descriptions. The price (to subscribers) will be one guinea. Some of these churches present portions of Saxon work, others have the curious fortified towers peculiar to the Border counties, and of which certain examples in Cumberland have been figured in this Journal.