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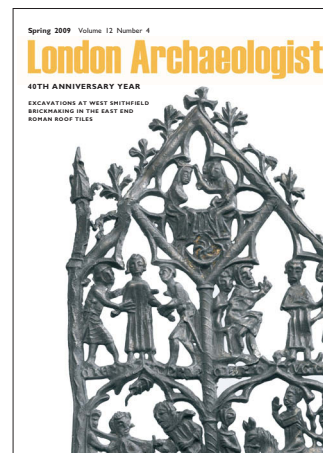
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By painstaking mechanical cleaning under a microscope, conservators at Museum of London Archaeology managed to preserve the traces of gilding on this rare devotional openwork plaque from the 14th century. Found on the site of Riverbank House, the plaque is one of the largest medieval pilgrim souvenirs known. It measures 88mm wide and represents scenes from the life and death of Thomas of Lancaster. See p 114 for more about the work of conservators.
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