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THE Sixth Congress of Archæological Societies in union with the Society of Antiquaries was held at Burlington House on July 9th and 10th, Sir A. Wollaston Franks, K.C.B., F.R.S., President of the Society of Antiquaries, in the chair. The Congress commenced with a paper by Mr. St. John Hope, on the continuation of the Archæological Survey of England, and rules for uniformity therein. It is proposed to issue certain rules for the guidance of local Antiquaries who may be willing to carry on this work. The second subject was a Photographic Survey of England by Counties. The organisation of local museums, popular archæological errors and fictions, the Ethnographical Survey of Great Britain, and the better organisation of local Archæological Meetings, were also discussed by the Congress. The annual dinner of the Members of the Congress took place at the Criterion, under the presidency of Mr. Brabrook, F.S.A. On July 11th the Members of the Congress visited Reading and Silchester, and the party was greatly augmented by a large number of Berkshire Antiquaries, who were conducted to Silchester by Mr. Stallwood. As a full account of the proceedings has recently been published in the local papers, it is unnecessary to recall the learned and interesting lectures delivered by Mr. Fox and Mr. St. John Hope. The excursion was in every way most successful, although on account of the growing crops of corn the area of the excavations of the present year was somewhat limited. What are believed to be the bakeries of the City of Silchester have been uncovered, and a valuable collection of silver coins has been found, concerning which the Treasury has displayed some anxiety.