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CASTLES AND CONVENTS OF NORFOLK. Being notices of many of the most important remains of antiquity in the county. By Henry Harrod, Hon. Sec. of the Norfolk Archaeological Society. 1 Vol. 8vo. With plans and illustrations. To be published by Mr. Muskett, Norwich. Large paper, 1*l.* 1*s.* Small paper, 15*s.* (By Subscription.)

Archaeological Intelligence.

It is known probably to most of our readers that the Trustees of the British Museum have refused to purchase the Faussett Collections, rich in Roman and Saxon remains from the tumuli of Kent, and replete with valuable illustrations of an obscure period in English history. In vain have appeals been addressed by individuals and by societies, anxious to mark their appreciation of the importance of these collections to supply a link in the chain of evidence wholly deficient in that great depository. The acquisition would have gone far towards removing the disgrace that England alone amongst European states possesses no series of National Antiquities in any public Institution; and it is highly improbable that a collection of equal value or extent should at any future time be obtained. A perverse indifference, however, has been evinced towards the interests of science and the requirements of those, who desire enlarged means of instruction in regard to the ancient conditions of the inhabitants of their own country, still to be sought in vain at the British Museum. In the administrative body of that Institution the arbitrary narrow-minded spirit of the *infesta noverca* has been shown towards archaeological science in England, which looked so hopefully for kindly encouragement.

It is gratifying to revert to the more intelligent spirit of individual liberality, by which these collections, though lost to the national depository, have been rescued from removal to some continental museum. Mr. Mayer, of Liverpool, having added these remarkable antiquities to his extensive museum, which he has ever sought to make available to the utmost for public instruction, has determined to publish the original diaries in which the record of every discovery had been preserved. It may suffice to state that the researches of Mr. Faussett extended to upwards of 500 tumuli, almost exclusively of the Saxon period. In this publication an invaluable mass of material will be placed before the archaeologist, accompanied by abundant illustrations; it will form a guide-book to the student of Saxon Archaeology. It will be printed forthwith by subscription, and form one volume, royal 4to. The price to subscribers will be two guineas, and they are requested to forward their names to Mr. C. Roach Smith, the Editor, Liverpool Street, City.

The Annual Meeting of the Institute, to be held this year at Cambridge, under the patronage of the Vice Chancellor of the University, will commence on Tuesday, July 4, and close on Tuesday, July 11. It is requested that persons who propose to communicate any memoir to the sections, will give timely notice to the secretaries.

The Annual Meeting of the Sussex Archaeological Society will take place at Winchelsea, on July 13.

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THE formation of a Museum at CAERLEON, through the praiseworthy exertions of an archæologist, whose labours at that place are known to our readers, and especially to those members of the Institute who visited the vestiges of *Isca Silurum* in 1851, has been eminently successful in preserving the scattered reliques now systematically arranged under the care of Mr. John Edward Lee. We regret to learn that the available funds are inadequate to give full effect to this object. A valuable contribution to the history of Military Architecture has been produced by the Caerleon Antiquarian Association, and it is hoped that the proceeds of the sale of copies may aid the funds of the local Museum. The work in question is an excellent Monograph on the "Architecture and History of Caldicot Castle, Monmouthshire," by Mr. Octavius Morgan and Mr. Wakeman, with a ground-plan of that remarkable fortress, and twelve etchings by Mr. Lee. We recommend this publication to the notice of our readers; its price is 5s. 6d., and copies will be forwarded by Mr. Lee, postage free, to those who are disposed to give their aid to his desirable purpose, in the conservation of the antiquities of his county.

A valuable auxiliary to Topographical investigations in East Anglia is in preparation and will speedily be produced by Mr. John N. Chadwick, the author of "Memorials of South Lynn Vicarage." It consists of an "Index Nominum" to Blomefield's "History of Norfolk," giving the Christian and surnames of every individual mentioned in that valuable County history, with the heraldic bearings, &c. The price to subscribers, whose names should be sent to Mr. Chadwick, St. James' Street, King's Lynn, will not exceed 17s.

Proposals have been issued by Mr. Pettigrew for publishing, by subscription, a new edition of Gough's "Sepulchral Monuments in Great Britain," in which will be combined the additional materials bequeathed by the author to the Bodleian library, with the more important results of recent researches. The Curators of the Bodleian have granted the use of the plates, and many additional illustrations will be given. This important work will form eight volumes, folio, to be delivered in four years, the price of each being four guineas.

We announce with satisfaction the completion of the "Catalogue of the Museum of London Antiquities," by Mr. Charles Roach Smith. We hope hereafter to call attention to this valuable record of facts illustrative of the early history of the Metropolis. It presents a memorable evidence of what may be achieved by well-directed individual exertion to make amends for the neglect and contempt of national antiquities, too long evinced by the authorities of our great national depository.

Whilst the Memoir contributed by Mr. Neville to this Journal was in the Press, we have received the following information through the kindness of Mr. Quekett, in regard to the material used for the Saxon *situla*, &c., discovered at Wilbraham and Linton Heath. On examination with the microscope, it has been ascertained that the *situla* found with the interment, No. 9, as described, p. 96, *ante*, was of the wood of the yew, as are also those found at Wilbraham (Nos. 32, 81, Saxon Obsequies). A fragment of a shield, taken from one of the iron bosses, appeared to be of oak.

of the time of Richard II. These rare pieces of armour were purchased from Mr. S. Pratt, who obtained them from churches in Norfolk, where they had remained from the period when they had been deposited as funeral trophies. Ancient Chessmen of Walrus-tusk, found in the Isle of Uig, and now in Lord Lonsdale's Museum.

ANCIENT GOTHIC CHURCHES. By W. P. Griffith, F.S.A. Part III. With many illustrations. Contents: 1. Historical and Documentary Evidence in support of Architectural Construction by Geometry. 2. Rules for proportioning the Plans, &c., of Parish Churches, large Churches, and Cathedrals. 3. On Architectural Botany: setting forth the geometrical distribution of foliage, &c. With twenty original designs for decorating cornices, corbels, capitals, &c. London: to be had at 9, St. John's Square, and through all booksellers.

NOTES ON THE NIMBUS. By Gilbert J. French. Printed for Presentation. With numerous engravings and woodcuts. 8vo. Accompanied by observations on rayed military banners. With Illustrations.

CHURCH FURNITURE AND DECORATIONS. An Essay by the Rev. E. L. Cutts, B.A. With numerous woodcuts and lithographic illustrations, including several examples of ancient pavements of decorative tiles. 8vo. London: J. Crockford. (Reprinted from the Clerical Journal.)

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DIALECT. Glossary of Northamptonshire Words and Phrases, with Examples of their Colloquial use, and Illustrations from various Authors; to which are added the Customs of the County. By Anne Elizabeth Baker. London: J. Russell Smith. 2 vols. Post 8vo.

PREPARING FOR PUBLICATION.

ILLUSTRATIONS OF STONE CROSSES, with Descriptive Letter-press; to consist of one hundred Plates of Crosses in England and Wales engraved on steel by J. H. Le Keux. The subjects selected from a valuable collection of Drawings in his possession, representing churchyard, monumental, and boundary Crosses, high Crosses, preaching Crosses, and market Crosses. To the Eleanor Crosses fifteen Plates will be devoted. The work will form two volumes, medium 8vo., each containing fifty plates, with Woodcuts, &c. Price two guineas. Subscribers are requested to send their names to Mr. Le Keux, 30, Argyll Street, New Road, who will thankfully receive any local information, sketches of crosses in remote places, or other assistance auxiliary to his undertaking.

ILLUSTRATIONS OF ANCIENT ECCLESIASTICAL VESTMENTS, from existing examples; with descriptions by F. G. Lee, F.A.S. Subscribers' names received by Masters, Aldersgate Street, London. The impressions limited to 250.

ANTIQUITIES OF CRETE: a Description of some important Theatres and other Remains in Crete, from a MS. History of Candia by Onorio Belli in 1586. Being a Supplement to the "Museum of Classical Antiquities," by Edward Falkener. Subscribers to that Journal, who wish to possess this continuation of the Memoir of Crete therein published, are requested to apply to Mr. Richards, 37, Great Queen Street, London.

ANGLO-SAXON ANTIQUITIES: the Faussett Collection.—Unpublished MS. Account, by the Rev. Bryan Faussett, of Discoveries made in upwards of Five Hundred Anglo-Saxon Tumuli in Kent, excavated from 1757 to 1773. To be fully illustrated with Engravings (some coloured) and Woodcuts. Edited by Mr. Charles Roach Smith, by whom subscribers' names are received, 5, Liverpool Street, City. To form one volume quarto. (For subscribers only.)

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A volume of remarkable utility and interest to the student of our earlier antiquities has been very recently produced at Copenhagen by the learned Danish antiquary Worsaae. It may be obtained from Messrs. Williams and Norgate. We hasten to invite the attention of our readers to this valuable auxiliary, for comparison of many reliques discovered in the

British Islands with those preserved in the Royal Museum at Copenhagen, It presents a selection of characteristic types of the antiquities of stone, of bronze, gold, sepulchral urns, objects of the iron period, amongst which are Roman reliques of beautiful forms, and an instructive display of antiquities coeval with our Anglo-Saxon remains ; Christian antiquities of the middle ages, &c., not less than 459 examples are represented in this volume. It is entitled—"Afbildninger fra det Kongelige Museum for Nordiske Oldsager i Kjøbenhavn." Royal 8vo.

Whilst the foregoing pages were at press, the third part of the Journal of the Archæological and Historical Society of Chester has reached us. We are unable to advert in detail to numerous subjects of curious inquiry, to which the attention of the Society has been directed, in the course of their praiseworthy endeavours to arouse a more active and intelligent interest in the antiquities of the Palatinate. We cannot refrain, however, from noticing the important evidence here presented, in regard to the Records hitherto preserved at Chester Castle, and the exertions of the Marquis of Westminster and those influential persons in the county and city, who felt strongly desirous that these memorials should not be removed to a Metropolitan depository, on any alleged pretext of greater security, at the sacrifice of much of the essential interest inseparably attached to such evidence, in the locality to which it properly belongs. The abstracts of lectures on the local records delivered by Mr. W. H. Black, and his recommendation in favour of a branch depository at Chester, will be read with interest. Much had been done in recent years, for their preservation and arrangement, chiefly, as we believe, through the exertions of the late Lord Stanley of Alderley ; a catalogue had been also compiled by Mr. F. Thomas, at the expense of the county. Meanwhile, despite of all remonstrance, these documentary treasures, upwards of fifteen tons in weight, have been transferred to the Rolls Office. It may be hoped that the fullest facilities will now be afforded for the use of the materials centralised in London ; and that the public may soon be put in possession of the Calendar and Indices prepared by Mr. Thomas, and which an energetic member of the Institute, Mr. Beamont, had previously engaged to edit for the Chetham Society.

The increasing activity of many Provincial Archæological Societies has been strikingly shown in their recent Meetings, held in various parts of the kingdom. The BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION held their Annual Congress, in August, at Chepstow, a locality full of attractive objects of all periods, and ample provision to ensure the success and gratification of such an assembly. The CAMBRIAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION selected Ruthin and the Vale of Clywd as the scene of their eighth anniversary, which commenced on September 13, under the Presidency of F. R. West, Esq., M.P. The proceedings of the week were agreeably diversified ; the excursions included Denbigh, St. Asaph, Rhuddlan Castle, Vale Crucis, and Llangollen, with many vestiges of the primeval times, and sites of historical interest. Arrangements were concerted to give increased efficiency to the future proceedings of the Society, and the "Archæologia Cambrensis" will be henceforth conducted with renewed energy and interest, under the editorial care of the Rev. H. Longueville Jones. The SURREY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY held their inaugural Meeting in May at Southwark, which was numerously attended, and their Anniversary took place on June 30, at Kingston-on-Thames. On the former occasion, Henry Drummond, Esq., M.P., presided, and delivered

an opening address, which was followed by a discourse "On the Religious bearing of Archæology upon Architecture and Art," by the Rev. J. Jessop. Mr. G. Bish Webb, Hon. Sec., read a Memoir on the line of Ancient Way between Staines and Silchester, passing through Surrey, descriptive of a survey executed some years since by the cadets of Sandhurst College, under the direction of Col. Prosser. A large collection of antiquities, documents, drawings, and other objects, chiefly connected with the county of Surrey, was exhibited. At the annual meeting at Kingston, W. J. Evelyn, Esq., M.P., presided, and memoirs were read, by Dr. Bell, on the Kingston Coronation Stone, and on other similar stones in foreign countries; by Mr. Maynard, on the History and Antiquities of Kingston; by Mr. G. R. Corner, on a Grant of Land in Southwark by William, second Earl Warren, a knife being appended to the document in lieu of a seal; by Mr. W. Griffith, on Baptismal Fonts; and by the Rev. C. Boutell, on the Medieval Court of the Sydenham Palace. Excavations were made at a barrow at Teddington, and some ancient reliques found. A temporary Museum was formed, to which the inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood were admitted for two days after the meeting, and a large number of persons availed themselves of the privilege. The WILTSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY held their first annual meeting at Salisbury, on Sept. 13, the proceedings, which were of a very interesting character, being extended to two days; on the second day, an entertainment was given by the President, the Right Hon. Sidney Herbert, at Wilton House, and the Society were also received with much kindness by the Bishop at his palace. The memoirs communicated comprised much valuable matter of local interest. The Rev. Arthur Fane contributed Memorials of the Giffard family, and an architectural description of Boyton Church; the Rev. E. Jackson read an account of the Hungerford Chantry in Salisbury Cathedral; the Rev. W. C. Lukis gave a detailed Essay on Campanology, and especially on church bells in Wilts, and Wiltshire bell-founders in old times. Mr. Clutton, to whose care the restoration of the Chapter House at Salisbury has been entrusted, read a very appropriate paper on the Origin and Uses of Chapter Houses; and Mr. Nightingale, of Wilton, on the Byzantine style of Architecture, and the richly decorated structure erected by Mr. Sidney Herbert. Mr. John Bowyer Nichols contributed an account of the Library formed by the late Sir Richard Colt Hoare, at Stourhead, and of his Wiltshire collections. The SOMERSETSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGISTS held their sixth meeting at Taunton, early in September, with good success; the principal subjects brought before the society were as follows: The remarkable interments lately discovered on Combe Down, near Bath, by the Rev. H. M. Scarth; Antiquities found in the turbaries at Chilton Polden, by Mr. W. Stradling; the application of Philology to Archæological Investigations, illustrating the derivation of names of places in Somerset, by the Rev. W. Jones; Comparison between churches of the Perpendicular style in East Anglia and those of Somerset, by Mr. Freeman.

The ANNUAL MEETING of the Institute for 1855 will be held at SHREWSBURY, under the patronage of the VISCOUNT HILL, Lord Lieutenant of Shropshire. The Central Committee request the co-operation of members of the Institute, to carry out more fully the investigation of the History and Antiquities of that county, hitherto so little known to archæologists.

SOCIÉTÉ DE SPHRAGISTIQUE.—Recueil de Documents et de Mémoires relatifs à l'étude spéciale des Sceaux du moyen âge. Troisième Année, No. 7—10. 8vo. A number of this periodical, devoted to the illustration of mediæval seals, appears monthly. It comprises historical notices, accompanied by numerous woodcuts. In the later numbers is given a description of the large collection of matrices of seals in the collection of Madame Febvre of Macon.

A. DE BEAUMONT.—Recherches sur l'origine du Blason, et en particulier sur la fleur de lys. Paris, Leleux. 8vo. 22 plates.

F. DE SAULCY.—Recherches sur la numismatique judaïque. Paris, Rollin, 4to 20 planches. This work comprises the results of M. de Saulcy's recent journey in Syria and Palestine, in regard to the coins struck by the Jews and by the Roman Emperors at Jerusalem.

J. DE FONTENAY.—Manuel de l'amateur de jetons. Paris, Dumoulin, 8vo. vignettes. This volume comprises a detailed account of the pieces usually termed counters, which served in mediæval times for various purposes. They are arranged under the general classification of *mereaux*, *jetoirs*, and *jetons*.

C. ROBERT.—Études numismatiques sur une partie du nord-est de la France. Metz, 4to. 18 planches.

F. MICHEL.—Recherches sur le commerce, la fabrication et l'usage des étoffes de soie, d'or et d'argent, et autres tissus précieux en Occident, principalement en France, pendant le moyen âge. Tome II. Paris, Leleux. 4to.

J. A. RAMBOUX.—Outline Tracings of the Principal Remains of Christian Art in Italy, from 1200 to 1600. The two first portions, comprising the period anterior to Giotto (12 parts, 60 tinted plates,) and the productions of the school of Giotto (60 tinted plates) have been published. The three remaining portions will consist of the Siena school, Perugino and the Umbrian school, and the school of Raphael. Imp. folio.

WEIGEL'S ANCIENT WOODCUTS.—Holzschnitte berühmter Meister. A selection of characteristic and rare productions of the earliest engravers on wood. Complete in 12 parts, 60 plates. Folio. Leipzig, 1852—54.

MUNICH, PAINTED GLASS.—Coloured representations of paintings on glass executed in the Royal Establishment for painting on glass at Munich, and placed in Christ Church, Kilndown, Kent. 15 coloured plates. Folio. Munich, 1853.

WORKS IN PREPARATION.

Mural Paintings in the churches of Sweden, from the middle of the XIIIth century, in great part concealed by whitewash, until laid open to view by Mr. Mandelgren, who with the assistance of the Swedish government, has copied a considerable series of these decorations, hitherto unnoticed. It is proposed to publish at Copenhagen a selection by aid of lithochromy: four numbers to be given each year, comprising in each number nine plates, with descriptions in French. Subscribers' names are received by Mr. J. Russell Smith, from whom further information regarding these remarkable works of early art may be obtained.

L'ABBE COCHET.—La Normandie Souterraine, ou Notices sur des cimetières Romains et des cimetières Francs, explorés en Normandie. Second edition. With the addition of 2 plates, 118 woodcuts, and 50 pages of letter press, comprising the results of recent excavations and of researches by other antiquaries in England, Belgium, Germany, &c. Rouen, 8vo.—London: Marcus, 8, Oxford Street; J. H. Parker, Oxford.

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THE formation of a WORCESTERSHIRE ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY has taken place during the past year under very favourable auspices, and been accompanied by two very interesting meetings on Sept. 25th and 26th, at Worcester, Lord Lyttelton presiding, and at Great Malvern. Amongst the most gratifying features of the proceedings must be mentioned a

discourse by Mr. Markland, "On the Ecclesiastical Architecture of England, as it has been affected by the taste and feeling of past and present times."

ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND.—December 11. An account of a Burgh or "Pict's House" in the Orkneys was read by Mr. Farrer. Mr. Laing, in a letter to Lord Murray, urged the necessity of taking precautions for the preservation of the Cathedral and remains at Iona, a subject to which the attention of the Institute had been called. See p. 293 in this volume. It was stated that the walls of the Abbey church, St. Oran's chapel and the Nunnery, require support, which might be effected at a small expense. Mr. Cosmo Innes gave an account of the Crosier of St. Moluach, the property of the Duke of Argyll: a little estate in the isle of Lismore had been long held by the service of keeping this *Bachul*, or episcopal staff. Mr. Joseph Robertson mentioned other Scottish Crosiers, especially that of St. Kentigern, long kept at Ripon. Mr. Christie communicated an appeal regarding a Collection of casts of National Sculptures. A large stone urn found in a barrow near the standing stones of Stennis, and other antiquities from the Orkneys, were presented to the Museum.

KILKENNY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—At the Meeting on Sept. 20, a large number of Ogham inscriptions were brought under notice, two of them being examples hitherto unnoticed. Mr. Nevins, of Waterford, presented to the Museum a good example of this kind of monument, the only one which has been found in the County Wexford. It is an oblong water-worn boulder, presenting no angle to supply the medial line, usually found in these inscriptions. It was found on the beach under a ruined church on the promontory of Hook, having probably been thrown down with the greater part of the burial ground, which had been undermined by the sea. Dr. Graves has had an engraving of this inscription prepared for his forthcoming work on Oghams, and he had suggested, from the rounded form of the stone, that it had served as the pillow of the anchorite of the neighbouring church, and had been inscribed as the memorial on his grave. Another example, now first noticed, is a stone inscribed on both edges, and built into the east gable-end of St. Declan's oratory, Ardmore, a building assigned to the fifth century. Mr. Prim gave an account of some vestiges of ancient street architecture recently found in Kilkenny. Mr. Edward Hoare gave an account of an inedited Hiberno-Danish coin found in breaking up a "rath," or circular earthwork, near Fermoy. Mr. Graves gave an account of the remarkable discovery of gold ornaments in the county Clare, noticed in this Journal, p. 184, *ante*, and he read a Memoir on the Promontory of Hook, county Wexford, a site of considerable interest to the antiquary. The first and second parts of a third volume of the Journal of the Society have been issued to the Subscribers.

An addition to the numerous works on Provincial Dialect has very recently appeared, the result of twenty years of careful observation,—"*A Glossary of Northamptonshire Words and Phrases, with examples of their colloquial use,*" by Miss Baker, the sister of the late talented historian of the county. The archaisms and local peculiarities of language here brought together are very numerous, amounting to upwards of 5000, of which more than 2000 have not been included in previous publications of the kind. Miss Baker has given many illustrative quotations from the dramatists and other writers, demonstrating the utility of Provincial Glossaries in elucidating our early literature. She has incorporated also her collections regarding local customs, proverbial sayings, and popular antiquities in general.