



REPORT
OF
The Society of Antiquaries
OF
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

M.DCCC.LVII.

THE Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-upon-Tyne has this day met to celebrate its forty-fifth anniversary; and in presenting the Report of the past year, the Council feels that it is performing an easy and an agreeable task. The anticipations of success so liberally indulged in in the Reports of preceding years have not failed to be verified during the past twelve months. In spite of bad times and much local anxiety and distress, the number of members has increased, while the admissions to view the Castle, and the collections therein, considerably exceed the average of former years.

Another volume of the new series of the *Archæologia Æliana*, the second of the 8vo form, has been this day completed, and is now ready for distribution to the members. Throughout the year the several parts comprising this volume have been regularly delivered to the members on the appointed day, and your Council has every reason to believe, that under the able editorship of Mr. Longstaffe, the same course will be steadily persevered in, while the Papers inserted will continue to maintain the high standard they have hitherto held. Your Council has reason to know, that the regular publication of the *Archæologia Æliana* has caused many gentlemen to join the Society, while the able reports of the Proceedings given in the *Gateshead Observer* after every meeting, and placed at the end of every trimestial part, gives so complete a résumé of the meetings, that an extended Report on this occasion is really superfluous.

Throughout the year the meetings of the Society, excepting those in the autumn months, have been remarkably well attended, several in-

interesting Papers have been read, and many subjects of great archæological interest have been discussed.

The Country Meeting for the year was held at Lindisfarne on Monday, 29th of June. Unfortunately the day proved to be almost the only one that was not fine during the months of June or July; nevertheless, a considerable party braved the weather, and, in spite of wind and rain, examined the ruins of Lindisfarne, and partook of refreshments most generously provided by Mr. Hodgson Hinde.

In the Report of last year it was announced that the *History of Northumberland*, left unfinished by the late Rev. John Hodgson, would be continued by Mr. Hodgson Hinde, one of the Vice-Presidents, and by the Rev. Dr. Bruce, the Junior Secretary of the Society. These two gentlemen have amply redeemed their promise, and this day the First Part of the "General History of British and Saxon and Roman Northumberland" is laid upon the table, and copies will be distributed to the subscribers in a few days. This handsome volume, emanating from the pen of two of the most distinguished members of the Society, will, your Council feels assured, be received with great interest by the public, while the paper and printing is such as to do honour to Newcastle typographic art.

The Survey of the Roman Wall from sea to sea executed at the cost of his Grace the Duke of Northumberland, the munificent patron of this Society, has now been terminated, and carefully engraved at his Grace's sole expense. The value of this survey will be duly appreciated by all those who are familiar with the great Northern Barrier, and with the many interesting works that have been already published on the subject. The Survey of the Roman Wall so accurately executed by Mr. Mac- lauchlan will complete the admirable works of Hodgson and of Dr. Bruce, while it will serve as a basis for all future researches. Had his Grace's liberality stopped here, there would have remained an imperishable monument of the interest taken by a nobleman of such exalted rank in the cause of archæological science, and of his wish to promote in every way the interests of the Society. Since the Survey of the Roman Wall was concluded, his Grace has encouraged the Society to form a collection of drawings of all the inscribed stones relating to the Wall, so as to obtain, eventually, a complete Lapidarium of this great barrier. Many of these inscriptions are now dispersed in various and some in far distant localities, while not a few have been very incorrectly figured. All will now be drawn again by a competent artist, and will be engraved under the inspection of Dr. Bruce. Mr. Mossman, the artist employed for

this purpose, has already completed many of the drawings, and such as he from time to time has exhibited at the meetings of the Society have been universally admired for their perfect fidelity and artistic merits.

In the former Report the enlargement of the Society's Museum was dwelt upon at considerable length. It was at that time confidently expected by your Council, that the ground in the neighbourhood of the Black Gate would long ere this have been disposed of, and that possibly sufficient space could then be obtained for the erection of a Lapidarian Gallery to contain the most valuable inscriptions now in the Society's possession, as well as those so munificently offered by his Grace the Duke of Northumberland. Unfortunately no progress has been made towards the arrangement of the buildings on the ground in question; and though his Grace most kindly prolonged the period within which his offer would take effect, the chances of a suitable building being prepared by the time specified are, your Council regret to say, now past. Still, even if the Society cannot avail itself of the offer of its noble Patron, it is absolutely necessary that accommodation in the Museum should be increased, and an apartment provided in which sufficient light and space could be obtained for the smaller and more valuable specimens. It will be a matter of earnest consideration with the Society in what manner this shall be accomplished—whether it shall be by obtaining additional ground in the neighbourhood of the Castle, or by restoring the ancient rooms over the Great Hall, a project which meets with the full concurrence of the most distinguished architects.

Another subject which has engaged the attention of the Society during the past year, is the collecting together the Ancient Border Music of Northumberland. An able report on what had already been accomplished in this regard was read by Mr. Kell at Alnwick Castle, in the presence of the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland, in November last. On that occasion his Grace offered prizes of ten pounds for the best, and five pounds for the second-best, collection of ancient Border tunes, to be delivered for competition on or before the 1st of May next.

The continued accession of new members gives promise of greater activity in the Society, and your Council would earnestly repeat to all the great importance of a constant supply of fresh papers, documents, and objects of antiquity, so that the new life and vigour which has manifested itself in the Society during the last ten years may not fail to show itself in the times to come.

The following are the members elected during the past year :—

February 2nd, Anniversary.—Mr. W. B. Scott, Newcastle; Mr. Robert Fisher, Newcastle.

March 4th.—Rev. Ja. Blackett Ord, Whitfield Hall; Mr. David Mossman, Newcastle; Mr. Thomas Leslie Gregson, Newcastle; Mr. Thomas Oliver, Newcastle; Mr. C. D. Barker, Newcastle.

April 1st.—Mr. W. Trueman, Durham.

May 6th.—Mr. Matthew Thompson, Gateshead.

June 3rd.—Mr. R. W. Hodgson, North Dene, Gateshead; Mr. Joseph Shephard, Newcastle; Rev. W. Farmery, Newcastle.

August 5th.—Rev. Richard Croft, Hillingdon, Essex.

September 2nd.—*Honorary Member* : Abbé Cochët, Dieppe.

PAPERS READ.

The Papers and Documents read to the Society during the past year are as follows :—

February 2, 1857.—Anniversary Meeting.

Rev. Dr. RAINE.—Document respecting Ancient Ordinations—An Account of an Ordination held in the church of St. Nicholas, Newcastle, in the first week of Lent, 1348.¹ From Bishop Hatfield's Register.

Rev. Dr. BRUCE.—The First Part of Remarks on the Pamphlet of "A Cumbrian," entitled "Mural Contrôvery—The Question 'Who built the Wall?' illustrated."

¹ The Bishops of Durham had much secular business to transact, and the duties of ordination were generally, as on this occasion, performed by a suffragan bishop. No fewer than 245 individuals were now ordained, comprising 134 acolytes, 65 sub-deacons, 24 deacons, and 23 priests. The candidates took name from almost every place of any consequence in Durham and Northumberland. Titles on which they were ordained, and the sums they were to receive for their services, are specified. Most of the nobility and gentry had clergy of the minor orders retained. Among the persons ordained were regular clergy and monks of Tynemouth, Newminster, Brinkburn, Durham, Hartlepool, Blanchland, Hexham, Eggleston, Alnwick, and Sopwell in Lincolnshire; Augustines, Carmelites, Friars Preachers, and Friars Minors. Candidates came with letters dimissory from the Archbishop of York, and the Bishops of Carlisle, Lincoln, and Ely.

March 4.

Mr. FENWICK.—Letter of Gilpin Gorst of Staindrop, to Robinson Stoney Bowes, Esq., of Grosvenor Square, London, dated 18 Aug., 1777.²

Rev. Dr. BRUCE.—The Second Part of Remarks on “Mural Controversy.”

Mr. LONGSTAFFE.—On the Banner of St. Cuthbert.³

April 1.

Mr. LONGSTAFFE.—On the Cross of St. Cuthbert.⁴

May 6.

Rev. J. MAUGHAN, Bewcastle, per J. H. Hinde, Esq.—On the Roman Inscription at Caeme Crag.⁵

Dr. CHARLTON.—On a Roll of Prayers formerly belonging to Henry VIII.⁶

Dr. CHARLTON.—On a Leaden Box and Crosses from Richmond.⁷

Mr. R. R. DEES.—Charter of Bishop Bek, 1308, relative to lands at Nettlesworth.⁸

Rev. Dr. BRUCE.—On Excavations at Cilurnum and Borcovicus.⁹

June 3.

Mr. LONGSTAFFE.—Letter relating to the family of General Washington.¹⁰

² “The purchase of the Benwell estate does not strike me as the undertaking of a madman. On the contrary, I look upon it as a judicious, well-concerted scheme, and highly conducive to your interest at Newcastle. The purchase of it, and your appearance at Gibside, will effectually silence a prevailing rumour that you are so immersed in debt as not to be able to show your face. Harry Mills was with me yesterday, and says it now begins to be suspected by Sir John Trevelyian’s friends that he does not mean to offer himself again for Newcastle. It is affirmed that he is going to dispark Roadley, and lay it out in farms. You may depend upon it, as a fact not to be controverted, that Sir John does not at present receive sixty pounds a year from Sir Walter Blackett’s fortune. I saw Mr. Colpitts (steward) on Thursday last, and desired he would send you a buck to town as soon as he possibly could, agreeable to your instructions in a former letter to me. All your Newcastle friends have been served with venison:—at least none that were mentioned in your letters, either to Colpitts or me, have been neglected. And, indeed, I do not think there can be a more successful battery played off against a corporation than one plentifully supplied with venison and claret. I saw Clark, your gamekeeper, the other day, who told me he believed Mr. Lyon did not mean to accept the buck you had ordered him some time ago. But such is the meanness of that fellow, that I will lay 5 pounds to 5 shillings he does accept it.”

³ Printed, Vol. ii., page 51.

⁴ Printed, Vol. ii., 51.

⁵ With the letter were presented rubbings of the inscription, in reference to the rival readings of Dr. Bruce and Mr. Maughan.

⁶ Printed, Vol. ii., 41.

⁷ Printed, Vol. ii., 46.

⁸ Printed, Vol. ii., 107.

⁹ The substance of this and other papers by Dr. Bruce will, of course, fall into its proper place in our valued member’s third edition of his *History of the Roman Wall*.

¹⁰ Printed, Vol. ii., 125.

Rev. Dr. BRUCE.—Letter from Mr. R. Robson of Sunderland, relative to the district of the Roman Wall,¹¹ and to Horsley's Burial Place.¹²

Rev. Dr. RAINE.—Extracts from the Accounts of John Barley, cellarer of the Convent of Durham in 1424.¹³

Very Rev. Monsignor C. EYRE.—Letter from Mr. J. D. Evans, of Berwick, relative to recent discoveries at Coldingham Priory.¹⁴

¹¹ Mr. Robson is of opinion that the Roman milestone near Chesterholme, remains *in situ*, and has never been thrown down.

¹² Mr. Robson shows from Hodgson's own pages, that he was probably in error in using the word "linger" in reference to Horsley's death, and quotes a letter from Dr. John Ward, Professor of Gresham College, to Dr. Cary, Bishop of Clonfert, dated 24 April, 1732, and published in *Notes and Queries*, 14 Jan., 1854, in which it was stated that Horsley died soon after he had finished his *Britannia Romana*, and before its publication. "When it was hoped that the credit of this book might have been of some service to him and *his large family*, he was suddenly and unexpectedly taken off by an apoplexy." The Rev. W. Turner made his family to consist of an only daughter, Mrs. Holliday. In Nichols's *Lit. Anec.* allusion is made to another daughter, Mrs. Randall. Hodgson, from Horsley's own papers, speaks of a son (Mem., 37, 38.)

An entry in the Barber-Chirurgeons' Books of Newcastle-upon-Tyne may be added:—"George, son of John Horsley, late of Morpeth, Northumberland, clerk, apprenticed to Samuel Halliwell, 23 Dec., 1732, for 7 years."

The Rev. E. H. Adamson calls attention to the fact, that Cave's Map of Northumberland was published for the benefit of the "numerous family" of the great deceased.

¹³ He disbursed weekly 6s. 6d. for 660 red herrings, that is 5½ long hundreds, of 120 to the hundred. He also bought white herrings. "Dogdraves" occurred among his purchases, an item unknown to the accounts of other monasteries. (Qu. dried codfish from the Doggerbank.) "Fishes of Iceland" also occurred; Iceland being the great emporium of *stock-fish*. Salmon the monks had all the year round. There was no "close time." Bywell was the chief source of supply; and there was a case on record of four salmon slipping from the hands of the bearer in crossing the Derwent, and being no more seen. For a pound of rice John Barley paid a penny; and for 3 lbs. of almonds, 7½d. The total disbursements of a month were 23l. 3s. 5½d.

In reply to inquiries, Dr. R. said, the number of monks would be about 70; with also a few novices. Visitors and officers, not a few, must be added. Such of the novices as distinguished themselves were sent to the universities. Where the novices and their master sat there was a device by which the lads could be overlooked without their knowledge. Then, as now, boys were not always minding their lessons when they ought to be; and the eyehole remains to this day, through which the master, unobserved, could overlook his pupils, and see if they were intent on their duties.

¹⁴ "They have been making alterations in what remains of the priory, and which has been used as the parish church for two or three hundred years. I think they have done the work tolerably well—except that, in rebuilding the west end, they have merely repeated the east end. They are both now similar. I think it is to be deplored that they did not make some variation. But the inside, now, is remarkably fine. The north side and east end (which are original) can hardly be surpassed. They have stripped all the old galleries away, and there is little to obstruct the view. The restorations which have been made are very carefully done; and I think that if you could see it, you would be much pleased with it. They have laid bare, on the outside, the foundations of the south transept. There is, in some parts, four or five feet of the wall and pillars standing. There are also the bases of the pillars of the centre tower. They have levelled the ground in the churchyard. Indeed, that is not finished yet. In doing all this, they have found some curious cut stones, &c.; but the most remarkable discovery was made last week. In clearing away some of the

Rev. Dr. BRUCE.—On ancient Tobacco Pipes.¹⁵

August 5.

Sir W. C. TREVELYAN, Bart.—Will of Lady Julia Blackett.¹⁶

Mr. J. T. HOYLE.—Letter of Mr. A. B. Seton on the Bewcastle Runes.¹⁷

September 2.

Mr. WM. TRUEMAN.—Local Papers relating to the Families of Lumley, Washington, and Nesham.¹⁸

Mr. JOHN VENTRESS.—Draft of an Act for making the River Wear navigable to Durham.¹⁹

Rev. Dr. HAIGH.—On the coming of the Teutonic Tribes into Britain.²⁰

rubbish and débris where the great tower had been, they came on the tombs of two of the priors. They lie nearly side by side. The one wanted the top cover to the grave, but the other is most perfect, and the inscription on it runs down the centre—
‘ERNAIDUS PRIOR.’

“The graves are built with thin stones set on edge; the stones perhaps 6 or 8 inches thick; with one large stone for the head, cut out as they usually are in stone coffins for the head and shoulders. The body seemed to have been enwrapped in something that had the appearance of leather; but perhaps it is some sort of woollen, steeped in pitch or wax. The bones were not disturbed. They closed them again very carefully.”

The letters are incised. Prior Ernaid died before 1212. See next page.

¹⁵ This paper was in reference to a passage in the learned Doctor's work on the Roman Wall, asking if smoking pipes were to be numbered among Roman remains, found, as they were, in close association with remains of undoubted Roman origin. His present conclusions were adverse to the affirmative, and were drawn from these grounds: “1. The pipes were only met with here and there in connection with Roman remains; while, in every Roman station, all the kinds of pottery used by the Romans were invariably found. 2. No traces of the practice of smoking presented themselves in classic authors. 3. Ancient herbals contained no notice of any vegetable used for smoking with pipes. 4. These old pipes, laid together, exhibited a regular gradation in size, from the fairy bowl to the pipe of the present day. 5. Elfin pipes were found, some few years ago, at Hoylelake, in Cheshire, on the site where the troops of William III. were encamped previous to their embarkation for Ireland; on the battle-field of Boyne at Dundalk; and in other parts of Ireland where William's troops were quartered.”

Several specimens of pipes were exhibited; one tiny bowl was dug from a depth of 10 feet, in 1854, at the back of the Assembly Rooms of Newcastle. Mr. Spoor stated that he had seen turned up, in building operations, hundreds of pipes together, smaller than any of those on the table, near the town wall of Newcastle.

¹⁶ To be printed, Vol. iii.

¹⁷ Mr. Seton, by descent a Scot and birth a Swede, was present in 1792 at the ball where Gustavus was assassinated by Ankerström. His letter was learned and ingenious, but is superseded by modern research.

¹⁸ Printed, Vol. ii., 109, 111, 120.

¹⁹ Printed, Vol. ii., 118.

²⁰ An endeavour to attach weight to Geoffrey of Monmouth and Boece, by exhibiting their agreement with more orthodox authorities.

Very Rev. Monsignor C. EYBE.—Second Letter from Mr. J. D. Evans relative to Discoveries at Coldingham Priory.²¹

November 4.

Rev. W. DUNN, Warkworth.—On a Sepulchral Cist and Urn recently found at Amble.²²

January 6, 1858.

Rt. Honble. LORD RAVENSWORTH.—On Two Latin Inscriptions at Chillingham Castle.²³

Mr. LONGSTAFFE.—Documents relative to the attempts of Newcastle to annex Gateshead.²⁴

²¹ See p. vi. The writer adds the following details: "There was found in the coffin of Prior Ernald a rod, or stick, about 2ft. 4in. long. It was lying above the covering. It was a piece of coarse (I think) hazel stick, about the thickness of a man's finger. It broke into fragments with the least handling. There had also been shoes or sandals on the feet; and a sole of one was taken out and examined. It was the half-sole, or front part; and there was with it a strengthening piece along the edge, just what shoemakers of the present day use, and call the welt; and the stitching along both was very regular, and would have done no discredit to a cordwainer of the present day. It was put back into the coffin before closing it.

"Amongst the rubbish which the men had thrown aside, some bits of stone were found, with letters on them; and a strict search being made, as much of the top covering slab of the other coffin was discovered as, when put together, makes it, as was conjectured, the coffin of another Prior—viz., Radulf."

Prior Radulf is stated to have preceded Ernald, and to have flourished circa 1198.

"These coffins of Ernald and Radulf are without doubt genuine stone coffins; but we must take into consideration that stone for such a purpose is not to be had near Coldingham. I am not sure there is any freestone or sandstone in the whole parish. Therefore, the masons being in this strait, would have to do the next thing possible, and build a stone coffin with such means as they had at hand. There has even been some fragments of carving used in the two coffins mentioned above, which shows that they used what they could lay hold of. The masons at Coldingham say that all the stone for the church has been brought from a place called St. Helen's; and that must be many miles from Coldingham. I believe it will be in Cockburnspath parish. It would be all to bring over Coldingham Moor—a very rough road even at this day. There has one stone coffin, made of an entire stone, been found. It is, however, very much broken.

"There is part of some walls laid bare, which, from time immemorial, have gone by the name of Eggar's Wa's (Edgar's Walls). It is about 30 or 40 yards to the south of the present kirk. It is built of whinstone, about 3 feet thick; and there have been three entrances or doorways down into it, as it is on a lower plane than the kirk. The doorways have freestone facings, and the steps are freestone. There are also half columns along the wall of freestone, and on the angle that remains are remnants of the corbel and groining rib (freestone). From these half columns the groining of the roof has sprung."

²² To be printed in Vol. iii.

²³ To be printed in Vol. iii.

²⁴ Printed, Vol. ii., 219.

ANTIQUITIES, &c., EXHIBITED.

April 1.

Dr. CHARLTON.—Illuminated Bede Roll of the time of Henry VII., from the Library at Ushaw College.²⁵

Mr. LONGSTAFFE.—Original MS. of Hegge's legend of St. Cuthbert.²⁶

May 6.

Sir WM. LAWSON, Bart., Brough Hall.—Leaden Casket containing Leaden Crosses, &c., from Richmond.

Mr. R. R. DEES.—Charter of Anthony Bek, Bishop of Durham, 1308, relating to lands at Nettlesworth,

September 2.

Mr. FENWICK.—Porcelain Cup of the time of Queen Elizabeth.²⁷

Mr. ROBERT WHITE.—Rubbing of an Inscription on Shakspere's Tomb at Stratford-upon-Avon.

October 8.

Mr. LONGSTAFFE.—Impression of Signets of Warwick the King Maker,²⁸ Thomas Percy Earl of Egremont,²⁹ in 1454; also the Signet of Henry Wentworth the elder,³⁰ 8 Edw. IV. From deeds in the possession of J. J. Howard, Esq., Blackheath.

²⁵ See a memoir on the subject in Vol. ii., 41.

²⁶ This is the MS. from which, after collation with Allan's edition, Mr. J. Brough Taylor's print of the legend was derived. It was formerly in the library of Miss Lambton, at Biddick. Besides the text, it comprises two drawings of Durham city and Cathedral, much resembling Speed's map.

²⁷ The cup is traced to the Kingsland family, and it is said to have been given to their ancestress, the Countess of Tyrconnel, by Queen Elizabeth. The tradition goes on to report that the Queen had previously sent it to the Earl of Essex in the Tower, and that he received from it the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the morning of his execution. The cup is of the period, white, with raised flowers.

²⁸ "The rampant bear chained to the ragged staff."

²⁹ A sitting lion with the family crescent round its neck, torque-wise; the motto, apparently a translation of the famous "*Esperance*," "Iett hope," or "Iell hope."

³⁰ "20 Nov., 8 Edw. IV. Indenture between Henry Wentworth the elder esquire and Edward Wodehouse esquire. A marriage to be had between Thomas Wodehouse s. and h. of Edward, and Margerie d. of the said Henry Wentworth. Thomas exceedith not the age of x yeres and Margerie exceedith not the age of vi yeres. Edward will provide estates of 20*l.* per ann. in Suffolk, as were John Wodehouse fadyr of the said Edward whose sone and heir he is."

The signet bears the device of a single lion's head with foliage.

At the same meeting Mr. Longstaffe stated that he had lately inspected the inquest after the death of Ralph Neville, the great Earl of Westmoreland, dated 4 Hen. IV., and found that his house in Westgate, Newcastle, now occupied by the buildings of the Literary and Philosophical Society, was termed Neville's Inn.

Mr. VENTRESS.—Rubbings of two Merchants' Marks in Newcastle.³¹

November 4.

Mr. WM. KELL.—Ancient Betrothal Ring.³²

Mr. ANTHONY SALVIN.—Plans and Sections of the Church of Kirk Newton.

Rev. W. FEATHERSTONHAUGH.—Sketch of an ancient Carved Stone in the Church of Bywell St. Andrew's.

January 6, 1858.

Mr. FENWICK.—Pair of Gauntlet Gloves belonging to the last Lord Derwentwater, who was executed in 1716.—Rosary of early date, composed of beads said to be made of the bones of a Radclyffe who died in the odour of sanctity, with a Silver Crucifix (possibly of earlier date) appended.—Drinking Glass, with Inscription and the initials F. R., and attributed to Francis, first Earl of Derwentwater.

DONATIONS.

March 4, 1857.

Sir. W. C. TREVELYAN, Bart., Wallington.—“The Present State of Europe,” 9 vols., 4to.

Lt. Colonel TUCKER.—Pair of Mexican (?) Spurs.

Mr. PEEL, per Mr. Ventress.—Old Spinning Wheel, with Knack Wheel.

Mr. GEO. RIPPON, Waterville.—Bronze Figure of Roman Soldier, and Bronze Spoon, both from Blake Chesters.

April 1.

Mr. GEO. RIPPON, Waterville.—Coins, and Fragments of Mosaic Pavement, from Acropolis of Athens.

Sir W. C. TREVELYAN, Bart., Wallington.—Registrum Nigrum de Aberbrothoc, 1 vol., 4to.—Registrum Episcopatus Brechinensis, 2 vols., 4to.

³¹ One from a gravestone in the north transept of St. Andrew's Church, R. C. and E. C. with the figure of a barrel and a circle.

The other from a stone built into the cooperage of Walker, Parker, & Co., over a doorway fronting the Tyne at Elswick, T. R. in monogram above M. On the right of them a large W. Above the shield containing these is the date “xv—1388—Mar.” which is out of the question as it stands. The characters might suit 1538, which was probably the true reading. The old 5 is easily converted into a 3 by the addition of a top stroke. There is a curious instance of such a dealing with it on a chest in the Old Hall of Darlington.

³² Of rude execution, in some metal less valuable than silver. The design presents two hands, one male, the other female, and the legend *IESVS*.

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THE SOCIETY.—Proceedings of Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, II., Part I.

THE AUTHOR.—Lectures on South Shields; its History, Past and Present; by Thos. Salmon.

THE HONBLE. THE COMMISSIONERS OF WOODS AND FORESTS.—Leadon Plate from Lindisfarne, commemorating the removal of the bodies of the monks Sylvester, Robert, and Helias, from the garden to the church, in 1215.

May 6.

Rt. Honble. LORD LONDESBOROUGH.—Miscellanea Graphica, Parts XI. and XII., completing the Work.

REV. J. M. TREHERNE.—Engraving of Monument to Sir Edward Carne, of Llandough Castle, in the Church of St. Gregorie at Rome.

THE SOCIETY.—Surrey Archæological Society Transactions, Vol. I., Pt. I.

June 3.

THE AUTHOR.—The Battle of Otterburne, by Mr. Robert White; large paper copy.

THE SOCIETY.—Proceedings of Liverpool Architectural Society, Vol. II., Part II.

MR. ROBSON.—Two Engravings. Newcastle from the S.E., and Durham from the S.W., both by N. Buck.

SIR W. C. TREVELYAN, Bart.—The Trevelyan Papers.

THE ARCHÆOLOGICAL INSTITUTE.—The Archæological Journal.

August 5.

THE SOCIETY.—Report of Cambridge Antiquarian Society, No. VII.

THE CLUB.—Proceedings of Berwickshire Naturalists' Club.

THE SOCIETY.—Archæologia, Vol. XXXVI., Part II.; XXXVII., Part I.—Proceedings of Society of Antiquaries of London, XLIII. to XLVI.—List of the Fellows, 1856 to 1857.

THE CANADIAN INSTITUTE.—Canadian Journal of Industry and Science.

THE SOCIETY.—Proceedings of Kilkenny Archæological Society.

September 2.

THE AUTHOR.—Local Records, 1 Vol., by Mr. J. Latimer.

MR. J. THOS. BOLD.—Coin of the Emperor Nerva, found near Bankhead, in Cumberland.

Mrs. BRUMELL, Newcastle, formerly of the Chapel Farm, Rosehill.—
Inscribed Stone from Roman Wall.³³

November 4.

THE SOCIETY.—Transactions of Historic Society of Lancashire and
Cheshire.

THE SOCIETY.—Transactions of the Kilkenny Archæological Society.

J. H. HINDE, Esq.—Coal Factor's Weekly List of Prices, 1760 to 1764.

Mr. THOS. CRASTER.—Ancient Chafing Dish of Iron, found in an old
house in Newcastle.

ROBT. INGHAM, Esq., M.P.—Painting of the Sandhill in the middle of
the last century, by Waters.³⁴

December 2nd.

Her Grace the DUCHESS OF NORTHUMBERLAND.—A Volume of Border
Tunes collected by Mr. Oliver of Langraw, and Mr. James Telfer of
Saughtree, Liddesdale.

³³ The stone is thus inscribed—

NERVAE N.....
.....ANO. HADRIA.....
AVG
LEG. XX. V. V

“Nervæ Nepoti Trajano Hadriano Augusto, Legio Vicesima, Valens, Victrix.”

³⁴ “It was painted,” says Mr. Ingham, “by Mr. Waters, one of whose sons I remember, at the beginning of the century, as a stationer in the Bigg-market. He was unmarried, but he had an elder brother, whose widow, according to my recollection, gave the painting to my father.

“I believe all the principal figures are portraits. I heard several of them named, but there are only a few that I remember. The very tall person to the left was a Mr. Peacock or Pedcock. The old gentlemen in the centre, whom the porter is addressing, cap-in-hand, was the father of Mr. Ralph Atkinson, Lord Eldon's cousin. The gentleman in red slippers, at the entrance of his house, was Mr. Wallace, the partner of Mr. Surtees, Lady Eldon's father; and these two portraits seem to fix the date as about the middle of last century. The man with a cloak under his arm, approaching Mr. Wallace, was Grieve the watchmaker; and I was told that the gentleman in drab, interposing between the squabbling fishwoman, was Mr. Snow Clayton; though the figure is so distant, that it was rather from some tradition of his kindly peacemaking qualities, than from any bodily resemblance, that the name is appropriated.

“I rather think that Waters the son, whose widow had the painting, was a house-painter; but the father was only an amateur. Nevertheless, the effect of the morning light is well given; and the Guildhall clock shows the early habits of the time.”

Mr. Fenwick states that John Wesley, when he visited Newcastle, sometimes preached from the stairs in front of the Exchange, painted by Mr. Waters; and on one occasion, when he was mobbed by the fishwomen and others, Mrs. Bailes, a fishwife, caught him up in her arms—(for the founder of the Wesleyan Society was not physically a giant)—and bore him safely away, crying to his persecutors, “Come and touch the little man, if you dare!”

Waters is remembered as a most prolific draughtsman of the notabilia of his district. His style partakes of the inaccuracies in detail common to the period in which he lived, but his drawings are valuable as portraying buildings of which not a

Mr. BROCKETT.—Memorial of the Holders of 21 Years' Leases in Newcastle.

THE AUTHOR.—An Essay on the Four Roman Ways, by Edwin Guest, Esq.

Dr. CHARLTON.—Ancient Tinder-box in form of a Gun Lock.

Mr. EDWARD MILBURN.—Roman Remains discovered at High Rochester.

Mr. KELL.—Topliff's Melodies of Durham and Northumberland.³⁵

January 6th, 1858.

THE AUTHOR.—On Surnames, by B. Homer Dixon, of Boston, U.S.

THE SOCIETY.—Mémoires de la Société des Antiquaires de Picardie, II^me Série, Tome IV.

THE SOCIETY.—Bulletins de la Société des Antiquaires de Picardie, 1854 à 1857.

THE SOCIETY.—Documens inédits concernant la Province de Picardie, 4to.

trace remains. His son Henry who presented the painting to Mr. Ingham, imagined himself to be a poet, and wrote a monody on the occasion of Heaton Colliery inundation, containing the lines—

“Thus the waters they did come,
Thus the pitmen they did run;
Thus the waters came so fast,
Thus the pitmen they o'erpast;
They went in on the 3rd of May,
And they never came out till Christmas day.”

The following extraordinary couplet is also laid to his charge:—

“When May's breezes fan the trees
The cows'es foots go on the Leazes.”

³⁵ The earliest printed music of the melodies of Northumberland was the joint production of Peacock (the prince of pipers in his day) and W. Wright, and was published at Newcastle by the latter about half a century ago. It comprises many tunes not Northumbrian, though suited for the pipes, and does not profess to be of a local character. It bears the title of “A Favourite Collection of Tunes, with Variations, and adapted for the Northumberland Small Pipes, Violin, or Flute.”

JOHN FENWICK, ESQ., IN ACCOUNT WITH THE

Dr.

	£.	s.	d.
1857.			
Feb. 12.—To Cash of Dr. Charlton, on Account of receipts at the Castle, during the year ending February, 1857.	18	0	0
1858.			
Jan. 26.—To Subscriptions received to this date.	165	17	0
To Balance due to me.	33	6	10

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SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

Cr.

1857.		£.	s.	d.
Feb.	2.—By Balance due to me from last account	29	5	9
	7.—By paid Warder's Salary	2	10	0
	7.—" " T. & J. Pigg, on Account	20	0	0
	14.—" " Northern Daily Express, for Advertising	0	3	3
	24.—" " Gateshead Observer, " "	0	4	0
	27.—" " Gas Rent	0	11	3
	27.—" " Harrison, for Matting	0	9	0
April	4.—" " Mr. Ventress, his Bill	0	18	9
	7.—" " Mr. Spoor's, " "	5	4	0
	8.—" " Insurance	1	2	6
	21.—" " John Storey's Bill	2	10	0
	24.—" " Rogerson for Coals	2	16	0
May	2.—" " Warder's Salary	2	10	0
	6.—" " W. H. D. Longstaffe, his Bill	5	12	0
	15.—" " Gas Rent	0	12	0
June	12.—" " Castle Rent	0	2	6
Aug.	1.—" " Warder's Salary	2	10	0
	1.—" " Gas Rent	0	14	2
	29.—" " Mr. Dunglinson for Printing	7	15	0
Sep.	5.—" " Andrew Reid for Lithographing	3	17	0
	5.—" " R. Robinson for a representation of St. Nicholas' Church	0	14	0
	12.—" " T. & J. Pigg, the Balance of their Account.	97	12	8
	12.—" " For Food, Service, and Attendance at the Anniversary Dinner	18	9	0
Oct.	12.—" " Commission for Collecting £59.	2	19	0
Nov.	11.—" " Warder's Salary	2	10	0
Dec.	1.—" " Commission for Collecting £28.	1	8	0
1858.				
Jan.	9.—" " D. Dunglinson's Bill for Printing	2	12	0
	11.—" " H. Rogerson for Coals	1	4	0
	26.—" " Commission for Collecting £8. 8s.	0	8	0
		<u>£217 3 10</u>		

This Account examined and found correct,

MATT. WHEATLEY, } Auditors.
ROBERT WHITE, }