II.—ROMAN INSCRIPTIONS AND SCULPTURES BELONGING TO THE SOCIETY OF ANTI-QUARIES OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.

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The collection of Roman inscribed and sculptured stones in the possession of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne is by far the largest and most important in this country. It has been constantly growing ever since its foundation in 1813, and has now reached the total of over three hundred and fifty stones. collection is no mere museum of curiosities. Our knowledge of the Roman Empire, one of the most important and instructive political experiments in the world's history, is derived almost wholly from archæological sources, since it was too vast a thing to be understood or adequately described by contemporary writers: among these archæological sources, inscriptions play the chief part, taking, as they do, the place of our modern records. official and unofficial alike. Religious dedications show us what religion was like under the Roman Empire, how it affected the life of the people, and to what extent it was turned to political uses. Records of building tell us the dates, the purposes and even the constructors of important public works like Hadrian's Wall and the various buildings of its forts. Tombstones show us how much people travelled, how the army was recruited, how different nationalities intermarried, and how family life and family affection remained, all through this period, the basis of the State. A collection like this, therefore, is a library of unique historical documents; and it is of the utmost importance for the increase of historical knowledge that they should be jealously preserved, clearly exhibited, skilfully deciphered, and accurately published. The aim of this catalogue, which by the wish of the Council of the Society replaces the catalogue of 1920 as that replaced the earlier compilations of 1887 and 1867, is to give a full reading of every inscription, so far as they can be read in their often weathered and dilapidated condition, together with a translation of its text, and a brief description of the various sculptures. Visitors to the museum will, with the help of these versions, be able to decipher the inscriptions for themselves, and scholars at a distance will be put in possession of readings in many cases more complete and accurate than those hitherto published.

With few exceptions, the stones here described have often been described before. To refer in the catalogue to all these previous descriptions would be wearisome. I have, therefore, as a rule, confined myself to giving references (a) in square brackets, at the beginning of each entry, to the catalogue of 1920; (b) to the seventh (British) volume of the Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum, here referred to by the letter C; (c) to the supplements to that volume published in the third, fourth, seventh and ninth volumes of the Ephemeris Epigraphica, here referred to as EE iii, iv, vii, ix; (d) to the Lapidarium Septentrionale, referred to as LS.

The entries are arranged according to the scheme that has long been in use among students of inscriptions. First come altars and other dedications to deities, in alphabetical order; then records of building; then tombstones, in alphabetical order; then a few inscriptions not on stone, in which potters' stamps are not included; then uninscribed sculptures. If the visitor regrets that the catalogue has not been so arranged as to follow the arrangement of the stones in the rooms, he must remember that the arrangement of the stones is subject to constant changes owing to the arrival of new exhibits or the desire of a curator to improve the existing arrangement.

The labour of re-cataloguing so large a mass of material has been greatly lightened by the co-operation of the curators, Mr. Parker Brewis, F.S.A., and Lieutenant-Colonel G. R. B. Spain, C.M.G., F.S.A., who most kindly lent me their notes on the stones and helped in many other ways; by the hospitable attentions of the caretaker and Mrs. Teague; and by the criticism and advice of various scholars; above all, by the assistance of my wife, who shared the work of making full-sized facsimile copies of every inscription.

I. RELIGIOUS DEDICATIONS

1-3. Anociticus, Antenociticus.—A pair of gods (or possibly one god with his name misspelt once) whose cult seems to have been exclusively local to Benwell. Their shrine, with a semicircular apse at one end, is still to be seen there, in the garden of Condercum House. Nos. 1 and 2 stood at the two ends of the apse.

DEO ANOCITICO
IVDICIIS OPTIMO
RVM MAXIMORVM
QVE IMPP N SVB VLP
MARCELLO COS TINE
IVS LONGVS IN PRE
FECTVRA EQVITV
LATO CLAVO EXORNA
TVS ET Q D %

1 [17].—Altar, 47" × 19".
"To the god Anociticus, by
the decrees of our best and
greatest Emperors, under
Ulpius Marcellus, of consular
rank, (set up by) Tineius
Longus, acting prefect of
horse, adorned with the latus
clavus and quaestor desig-

nate." The titles optimi maximique are elsewhere given to Marcus Aurelius and Verus (161–169) and therefore might here apply to them or to Marcus and Commodus (177–180); probably the latter pair, because an Ulpius Marcellus was sent to Britain by Commodus to retrieve the disaster of 181, and, if this is the same man, we should expect Commodus to send a person with fairly recent experience of governing Britain. Longus was evidently a tribunus laticlavus, acting as prefect, like the dedicator of No. 55; he means that he held this position by order of the Emperors, not that he dedicated the altar by their order. C 504, LS 21.

2 [16].—Altar, $56'' \times 16''$. "To the god Antenociticus, and the Deities of the Emperors, Ælius Vibius, centurion of the Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legion, pays his vow." An exceptionally handsome altar, richly decorated with cable mouldings, vegetable ornament, and swags. C 503,

LS 20.

D E ANTENOCITICO ET NVMINIB AVGVSTOR 5 AEL. VIBIVS O LEG. XX. V. V. V. S. L. M.

3 [18].—Altar, $27'' \times 20''$, in three fragments. "Sacred to the god Antenociticus; the First Cohort of Vangiones, commanded by [Mar]cius (?) Cassianus, prefect, pays a vow." EE ix, 1164, and C 515=LS 29.

DEO ANTENOCITICO SACRÝM COH. I VAngion QVIB. PRAEEST 5 marC. CASSI anus prAEF v s l M

4-5. Apollo.—The Greek Sun-god, a youthful god who under the Roman Empire tended to be identified (a) with similar gods of Celtic religion (see No. 5) and (b) with the Persian Mithras (see No. 53).

4 [143].—Upper part, $9'' \times 8''$, DEO APOLLi of a small altar from Chester-le-NI LENIG . . Street. "To the god Apollo . . ." The reading of line 2 is doubtful and its meaning quite uncertain: LEG II A(ug) has been read, but seems unjustified. C 452, LS 541.

5 [201].—Handsome but much **aPOLLINI** damaged altar, 54" x 25", with a MAPONO calpuRNIVS socket cut in its top in order to make it into a base for Corbridge . . . TRIB market cross. Probably from Cor-5 dediCaVIT stopitum. On the left side is Apollo with lyre and laurel branch; on the right Diana with bow and quiver. "To Apollo Maponus, [Calpu]rnius(?) . . . , tribune, dedicated this." Apollo Maponus is a combination of Apollo with a Celtic god whose name seems to be the Welsh mabon, a child. Another dedication to him from Corstopitum is now in the pre-Norman crypt at Hexham. C 471, LS 639.

6-7. Belatucader.—A native Celtic god of northern Cumberland. No. 6 gives us an example of his cult rather outside his regular district. Like many Celtic gods, he is sometimes identified with Mars, and was probably, therefore, a warrior-god. His name is very variously spelt.

DEO BELLETI CAVRO LVNARIS

6 [129].—Small altar, 11" x 7", of coarse grit, from Carrawburgh. The inscription is difficult to read, but there is no doubt of the text:

"Lunaris (dedicated this altar) to the god Belleticaurus." C 620 is a bad attempt at a reading. Not in LS.

BLATVCAIRO AVPAGVS VSPSS

7 [132].—Small altar, 16" x 12". from Brougham, Cumberland. There is no focus, but incised circles on the face represent the ends of bolsters. "To the god Blatucairus, Aupagus (Audagus?) pays a vow for his own welfare" (votum solvit pro salute sua). C 295, LS 808, EE vii, 953.

8 [153]. Cocidius.—A local god of south-west Northumberland; possibly the river Coquet, but the distribution of his altars does not favour this view. They are mostly found in the central region of the Wall.

COCIDIO et GENIO PRas SIDI VALE RIVS. M.Le 5 G.VI.V.P.E.VP

LS 183.

altar, $17'' \times 9''$, from Small Housesteads. "To Cocidius and the Genius of the Fort (or, of the garrison), Valerius, private of the Sixth Victorious Pious and Faithful Legion, set up what he vowed." Below are two dolphins, facing each other. C 644 (very inaccurate),

9. [139]. Di Cultores.—A general name for the gods, whatever they may be, that inhabit a place; cf. the common dedication to the Genius Loci.

Altar, 29" × 14", from Risingham. "To the gods that dwell in this place, (set up by) Julius Victor. tribune." We know from C 988

DIS & CVLTO RIBVS & HVIVs LOCI & IVL & VICTOR & TRIB

and 994 that he commanded the First Cohort of Vangiones, in garrison at Risingham. C 980, LS 605.

10 [123]. Di Deaeque.—"The gods and goddesses," not further specified.

Slab, $43'' \times 33''$, from Housesteads. "To the Gods and Goddesses, according to the interpretation of the oracle of Clarian Apollo; (set up by)

DIIS DEABYSOVE SE CVNDVM INTERPRE TATIONEM ORACV LI CLARI APOLLINIS 5 COH I TVNGRORVM

the First Cohort of Tungrians." It appears that as a result of an oracle given at Clarus in Ionia, orders went out all over the Empire to make dedications in this style; we have two other examples, one from Dalmatia and one from the frontier between Mauretania and Numidia. C 633, LS 95.

11-15. Fortuna.—The cult of Fortune seems, in this region at least, to be especially associated with the bathhouse which stood outside each fort, and shows that this bath-house was used as a gambling-club.

11 $\lceil 102 \rceil$.—Altar, $40 \times 20''$ from Risingham; it stands on a base 37" long by 8" high. The same inscription, "Sacred to Fortune; Valerius Longinus, tribune," is repeated on the altar and the base, and there is a little separate focus on the base, in front of the altar. C 982, LS 600.

FORTVNAE SACRVM & C LONGINVS TRIB %

FORTVNAE SACRYM VAL & LONGINVS TRIB

. 12 [103].—Altar, $36'' \times 17''$, from Risingham. On the capital is a shrine flanked by six columns, and on the base a

FORTVNAE. REDVCI IVLIVS. SEVERINVS TRIB. EXPLICITO % BALINEO. V S L M

band of chip-carving. These designs resemble the work on a distinctive series of altars from Birrens, and probably

belong to the Hadrianic period. "To Fortune the Restorer, Julius Severinus, tribune, pays his vow on the completion of the bath-house." C 984, LS 602.

.FORTVNAE, AVG. .PRO. SALVTE. L. AELI .CAESARIS, EX. VISV .T. FLA. SECVNDVS. ⁵ PRAEF. COH. I. HAM IORVM. SAGITTAR .V. S. L. M.

13 [130].—Altar, $26 \times 14''$, from Carvoran; the lettering is exceptionally ornate. Imperial Fortune, for the welfare of Lucius Ælius, Cæsar, because of a vision, Titus Flavius Secundus, prefect of

the first Cohort of Hamian archers, pays a vow." Ælius, adopted son and intended successor of Hadrian, died in 137. The Hamians' were a Syrian tribe; their archers were the only cohort so armed in Britain. C 748, LS 301.

Deae fORTY VEXS. G. RETO QVORVM CVR AM. AGIT. TABE LLIVS VICTOR

14 [214]. — Altar, $25'' \times 19''$, from Great Chesters, outside the fort. "To the Goddess Fortune, (erected by) the Vexillation of Raetian Spearmen, in charge of Tabellius Victor, centurion." For this vexillation of "Raeti gaesati," armed with the throwing-spear called gaesum, cf. Nos. 20, 87,

DEAE FORTY NAE . . . CVR . . .

EE ix, 1191.

15 [138a].—Top of an altar, $18'' \times 10''$, from near Chesters (Blackett Collection). There is a large cylindrical focus, in front of which is a stepped gable. The work is neatly done. "To the goddess

16 [74].—Fulgur Divom, the lightning of the gods.

Slab, 22" x 20", found a mile **FVLGVR** west of Halton Chesters, to mark DIVOM a spot where the ground had been struck by lightning. C 561, LS 104.

17 [122].—Hercules.

Altar, $43'' \times 21''$, from Housesteads. The lettering is much weathered, but everything is certain except the first letter of the dedicator's name, which is probably P. "To Hercules (set up by) the First Cohort of Tungrians, 1,000 strong, in command of Publius (?) Ælius Modestus, prefect." C 635, LS 179.

HERCVLI COH I TVNgROR CVI PRAEEST. I. AEL 'MODESTVS. PRAE

18-32. Jupiter.—The cult of Jupiter, especially of Jupiter Optimus Maximus, was perhaps the chief official cult of the Roman Army, Jupiter being the god especially associated with the greatness of Rome. We find, therefore, very many dedications to him made corporately by whole regiments, and many in which he is, to mark his position as the god of the Empire, coupled with the Deity of the

Emperor.

18 [89].—Plaster cast of an altar, 40" x 16", from Maryport, which is now at Tullie House, Carlisle. "To Imperial Jupiter, Marcus Censorius Cornelianus, son Marcus, of the Voltinian tribe, centurion in the Tenth Legion Fretensis and commander of NEMAVS. V. S. L. M. the First Cohort of Spaniards, a native of Nimes in the

IOVI. AVG M. CENSORIVS M. FIL. VOLTINIA cornelianvs. J. Leg 5 x fretensis, PRAE posiTVS. COH. I. HISP. EX. PROVINCIA NARBON. DOMO

province of Narbonne, pays his vow." Legion X. Fretensis, Julius Cæsar's famous Tenth Legion, was stationed in Syria; it is very unusual for a cohort in Britain to be commanded by an ex-centurion from a legion in another province. C 371, LS 860.

19 [36].—Altar found at Wallsend in 1802; $35'' \times 16''$; it stands on a base 2' square and 6" high. "To Jupiter Best and Greatest, set up in discharge of a vow by the Fourth Equitate Cohort of Lingones, in charge of Julius Honoratus, centurion of the Second

COH IIII LIN GONVM.EQ CVI ATTENDIT IVL HONOR ATVS O L'EG II AVG S

August Legion." An equitate cohort was an infantry regiment having a mounted contingent attached to it. Julius Honoratus was not, like the regular commanding officer of an auxiliary cohort, a prefect or tribune, but a legionary centurion "seconded" for this special duty—a fairly common thing. EE ix, 1157.

20 [223].—Cast of an inscribed stone, 21" × 14", built into a stair-case roof at Jedburgh Abbey.

Q & C & A & IVL "To Jupiter Best and Greatest, set up by) the Vexillation of Raetian Spearmen, in charge of (quorum curam agit) Julius Severus, tribune." For the Raeti Gaesati, cf. Nos. 14, 87, 90. EE iv, 691.

21 [210]. — Altar, $40'' \times 21''$, i. O. M. from Great Chesters, where it had DoLICENO LV been used as building material CIVS MAXIM by later Roman builders. "To IVS GAETVLIC Jupiter Best and Greatest, VS O LEG XX VV Doliche, Lucius Maximius Gaetu-V s l M licus, centurion of the Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legion, pays a vow." "Jupiter Dolichenus," of Doliche in Syria, was widely worshipped in the Empire. Decorated with chip-carving and linear ornament. EE ix, 1102. (Plate VII.)

22 [5].—Upper part, 31"× 24", of a large altar, broken COH IIII GALOR across the die; the inscription ET NAEVIVS HILARIS is very faint owing to weather-PRAEF. CVRAm. ag. ing, and the reading as here given is not altogether certain, line 3 being especially open to doubt. It appears to run: "To Jupiter Best and Greatest (set up by) the Fourth Cohort of Gauls and their prefect Naevius Hilaris(?), in charge of Firm . . ." The Fourth Cohort of Gauls lay in garrison at Chesterholm and also worked at Risingham; the source of this stone is unknown. For the spelling Galorum cf. No. 28. On the left side is a draped figure blowing a trumpet. The inscription seems to have been hitherto unread, and is not in C or LS.

23 [140].—Altar, 42" × 16", from the Mithræum at Housesteads. It has originally been dedicated to Jupiter Best and Greatest, and the letters I. O. are still visible on the capital; but this inscription having weathered off (there is no sign of deliberate erasure) it was re-dedicated to Mithras in 252, perhaps a century or more after its original dedication. "To Jupiter Best and Creater

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Deo soli
INVICTO MT
RAE SAECVLARI
*PVBL. PROCVLI
ANVS. 3 PRO SE
ET PROCVLO FIL
SVO. VSLM

DD NN GALLO. ET

"To Jupiter Best and Greatest... To the Invincible Sun-god Mithras Lord of Ages, Publius Proculianus, centurion, pays a vow for himself and Proculus his son, in the consulship of our lords Gallus and Volusianus." C 646, LS 190.

24 $\lceil 152a \rceil$. — Part of a much damaged altar or slab found in DRO SALVTE pulling down a cottage at Cor-VEXILLATIO bridge; it probably came from Corstopitum. $42'' \times 18''$. "To Jupiter Best and Greatest, for the . . . I. IN. . . . welfare of the vexillations from the [20th Valerian Victorious?] Legion [and the 6th Victorious Legion?]" . . . The name of the Twenty-Second Legion, "Primigenia," has been imagined here, but baselessly; the text was something like leg(ionum) [xx. v(aleriæ) v(ictricis)] e[t] vi. [v]i(ctricis), mi[l(ites) agentes] in [praesidio]. We know that Corbridge was a military depot, staffed by vexillations or drafts from the Sixth and Twentieth Legions. EE ix, page 574.

25 [48].—Altar, 47" × 22", from I O M
Housesteads. "To Jupiter Best
and Greatest..." The rest is
lost by weathering, but eighteenth-
century antiquaries read the last line as praefectus, which

enables us to infer that the altar was dedicated by the First Cohort of Tungrians, in command of So-and-so, prefect. C 641, LS 175.

i. O M **26** [34].—Fragment, $9'' \times 7''$, coh. i. aEL. DAc. from Greenhead. Part of an altar doubtless, brought thither CPE Birdoswald, by whose garrison it was dedicated. Jupiter Best and Greatest, the First Ælian Cohort of Dacians . . ." EE ix, 1209.

27 $\lceil 21 \rceil$.—Fragment, $11'' \times 7''$, IOMI. . . from Risingham. "To Jupiter IMPPC. . Best and Greatest [and the deity of?] the Emperors. Cæsars C 990, LS 595.

28 [218].—Fragment, $18'' \times 10''$, from top right-hand corner of an GALOR altar, found built into a wall south . . N . . of Great Chesters. At each side of the die was a pilaster; on the right-hand side a jug. "To Jupiter Best and Greatest, the — Cohort of Gauls(?) . . ." The spelling "Galor" for Gauls is not impossible, cf. No. 22. EE ix, 1200.

ET MATRIB VS OLLOTO TIS SIVE TRA 5 NSMARINIS POMPONIVS DONATVS BF COS PRO SALVTE SVA 10 ET SVORVM

29 [12].—Altar, 52" × 14", from Binchester. "To Jupiter Best and Greatest and the ollototæ or Overseas Mothers, Pomponius Donatus, consular beneficiary, pays a vow for his own and his family's welfare." The epithet transmarinis seems intended as a translation of ollototis. For the overseas Mothers, A beneficiary was a junior No. 38. officer relieved of his ordinary duties in order to undertake some special work, e.g., command of a small fort or the like; a consular beneficiary was one appointed by a consul, in this case, by the Governor of Britain. The last line is v(otum) s(olvit) l(ibens) a(nimo). EE ix, 1133.

30 [124]. — Altar, $46'' \times 22''$, from Housesteads. "To Jupiter Best and Greatest and the Deities of the Emperors, (set up by) the First Cohort of Tungrians, 1,000 strong, in command of Q. Verius Superstes, prefect." C 640, LS 172.

0 ET NYMINIBVS AVG. COH. I. TV NGRORVM 5 MIL. CVI. PRAÈE ST. Q. VERIVS SVPERSTIS **PRAEFECTVS**

31 [44].—Altar, $46'' \times 13''$, from Housesteads. "To Jupiter Best and Greatest and the Deities of the Emperor, set up in discharge of a vow by the First Cohort of Tungrians, in command of Quintus Julius [Maxi]mus, prefect." The altar is well executed, but the inscription is now very

I O M ET NVMINIBVS AVG COH. I. TVNGROR CVI PRAEST Q IVLIVS 5. . . MVS & PRAEF faint, and for much of its reading we rely on eighteenthcentury copies. C 639, LS 176.

32 [32].—Altar, $38'' \times 26''$, the top broken off, from Benwell. "To Jupiter Best and Greatest, of Doliche No. 21) and the Deities of the Emperors, for the welfare of the Emperor Cæsar Titus Ælius Hadrianus Antoninus Pius, father of his country,

10m dolicHE NO ET NYMINIBYS AVG PRO SALVTE IMP. CAESARIS T. AELI HADR ⁵ ANTONINI AVG. PII. PP ET. LEG. II. AVG. M. LIBVRNIVS FRON TO 9 LEG. EIVSDEM V. S. L. M.

and of the Second August Legion; (set up by) Marcus Liburnius Fronto, centurion of the said legion, in discharge of a vow." Antoninus Pius reigned 138-161. C 506, LS 16.

33-36. Mars.-Dedications to Mars are, naturally, very common in the religion of the Roman army. He is very often identified with local Celtic war-gods, e.g., Belatucader (cf. Nos. 6-7), Cocidius (No. 8), etc. For another probable dedication to Mars, see No. 70.

DEO MARTI OVIN FLORIVS MA TERNVS PRAEF 5 COH. I. TVNG V S L M

33 $\lceil 174 \rceil$ — Altar, $50'' \times 20''$, from Housesteads. "To the god Mars, Quintus Florius Maternus, prefect of the First Cohort of Tungrians, pays a vow." The inscription is now faint, but was read in the eighteenth century. C 651, LS 180.

MART ALA C VINICIVS CELSVS PRO SE ET . . . V S L M

34. — Altar, 30" × 12", from South Shields (Blair Collection). "To Mars Alator, Gaius Vinicius Celsus pays a vow for himself and his family." Mars Alator is also found on a silver plaque from Hertfordshire, now in the British Museum. EE vii, 999.

DEO MARTI 35 [133b].—Altar, $21'' \times 11''$, CONDATI Val found in a well 300 yards northwest of the fort at Chester-le-Street. pROBiNVS pro SE ET SVIS VSLM "To the god Mars Condates, Valerius Probinus pays a vow for himself and his family." Mars Condates is evidently a combination of Mars with a Celtic god. EE vii, 984.

GII. perhaps from Housesteads. Line 1 M. SENEC may have been Marti or, less .. NIVSV .. probably, Matribus; line 2 may have been Genio followed by a letter or two: e.g., Ma[rti et] Gen[io c(enturiæ)] "To Mars and the genius of the century, M. Senecianius pays a vow." C 652, LS 186.

37-39. Deæ Matres.—The Mother Goddesses were widely worshipped in the western Empire, especially in Gaul, Germany and Britain. They are represented as three seated figures, holding baskets of fruit or grain in their laps, emblems of fertility. For another dedication, cf. 29; for uninscribed sculptures, Nos. 258-261.

DEABVS MATRIBVS

37 $\lceil 138b \rceil$. Top of a small altar, $12'' \times 11\frac{1}{2}''$, probably from Halton Chesters (Blackett Collection). Above are two Victories, very crudely cut in low relief, holding a wreath; below, the inscription: "To the Mother Goddesses," in neat and regular letters. C 559, LS 84.

38 [2].—Slab, 23" × 18", with the three Mother Goddesses rudely carved in relief, each seated in a separate niche, and an inscribed panel below. "To the

DE | MATRIBVS TRAMARINIS | b u | A | PATRIS AVRELIVS IVVENALIS | s

Mother Goddesses of his native land overseas, by Aurelius Juvenalis." The dedication (for which cf. No. 29) suggests that the worship of the Mothers was indigenous in Britain, or at any rate naturalized there by the time this stone was set up, and that Juvenalis had reasons for distinguishing the Mothers of his own country from those of Britain, like the various local Madonnas of Italy. Probably from Newcastle. C 499, LS 12.

39 [77].—Slab, 32" × 24", from Benwell. "To the

..... GORDIANAE. T.

AGRIPPA PRAE TEMPLVM A SOLO RESTITVIT

Three Mothers of the Fields and the Genius of the First Cavalry Regiment of Asturian Spaniards... Gordian's Own, T(erentius?) Agrippa, prefect, restored this temple from the ground." The Mothers are here identified with the Campestres, the deities of the field, as goddesses of fertility. Regiments frequently, in the third century, took titles from the name of the reigning emperor; these had to be erased after the posthumous disgrace (damnatio memoriæ) which many emperors incurred. The three Gordians reigned 238-244. C 510, LS 22.

40-41. Mercury.—Mercury was much worshipped, to judge by the numerous small carvings of him, of all degrees of excellence, of which Nos. 262-268 are examples.

40 [36a].—Two fragments of a broken slab, 14½"

broad, with an inscribed panel below and a representation of the god above. His feet can be seen, with a goat on the left. From Wallsend. The inscription begins: "To

> DEO. M. S... VD. F. P. COH II NER M. PAGO DIORVM

the god Mercury"; there is a reference to the Second Cohort of Nervii, and another to an unidentified pagus or district. EE ix, 1159.

D.M. . . . IIA 41 $\lceil 36q \rceil$.—Fragments of a slab, originally about 24" x 23", dedi-N. F. . . . cated to Mercury, from Wallsend. Above stands the god, with a cock and an altar to the right and a goat to the left; below is an inscribed panel in which "To the god Mercury " is alone decipherable. EE ix, 1160.

42 [127]. Di Mountes.—These gods, whether in the plural or in the singular form (deo Mounti, deo Mounto), are evidently local Celtic deities of the north of England. They are found in Northumberland and Cumberland.

DIS MOVNTI BVS IVL FIRMIN 5 VS DEC F

Small altar, 12" x 8", from High Rochester. "To the Di Mountes. Iulius Firminus, decurion, made this." A decurion was an officer of inferior rank. C 1036, LS 554.

43 [161]. Nemesis.—Originally a Greek word meaning "righteous indignation," Nemesis was deified by the Romans as the personification of the wrath of heaven which brings vengeance on evil-doers.

DEAE NEMest APOLLON ' IVS SACE 5 RDOS FEC

Small altar, $13'' \times 7''$, from Housesteads. The inscription is faintly cut in coarse grit, and two letters of the goddess's name are lost, but there is little doubt of her identity. "To the goddess Nemesis, Apollonius, priest, made this." C 654, not in LS.



44. ALTAR TO NEPTUNE.



46. ALTAR TO OCEANUS.



85. SLAB IN HONOUR OF ANTONINUS PIUS.

44 [11]. Neptune.—God of the sea; cf. No. 46.

Well - made altar, $48'' \times 20''$, NEPTVNO & LE found in the north channel of the river Tyne at Newcastle, in building the Swing Bridge. The first line of text is in an ansate panel on the capital; the rest cut in the background of a relief on the die representing a dolphin and a trident. "To Neptune (set up by) the Sixth Victorious Loyal and Faithful Legion." The altar, being officially dedicated to the sea-god by the legion as a whole, must commemorate the arrival in Britain of the entire legion, when, at Hadrian's orders, it came from Germany to take up its permanent abode in this country (A.D. 122). The fact that the legion disembarked at the Tyne, not at York its future home, suggests that its coming was closely connected with the building of the wall. EE iii, oo. (Plate IV.)

45 [138c]. Numina Augustorum.—The Emperor was regarded as a divine being, and the worship paid to him was an important political institution, expressing as it did the sense of loyalty to the Empire. It was, in fact, because they refused to join in this worship and therefore, by implication, declared themselves disloyal to the Empire, that the early Christians were persecuted. For other dedications to the Deity of the Emperor, cf. Nos. 2, 30-32.

46 [11a]. Oceanus.—The Ocean; cf. No. 44.

Well-made altar, 51" × 20", OCIANO & LEG forming a pair with No. 44. See VI VI that entry for notes, which apply P F equally to this, except that the relief in this case is an anchor, and the inscription runs: "To Oceanus, (set up by) the Sixth Victorious Loyal and Faithful Legion."

Found in the north channel of the river Tyne at the Swing Bridge, Newcastle. EE ix, 1162. (Plate IV.)

47. Romulus?—The founder of Rome was worshipped in Britain as elsewhere, and this may be a dedication to him.

Portion of a base on which a statue probably stood. On the remaining part of the front edge are the letters DEO R . . . " To the god R(omulus)?" $9'' \times 4''$.

48-49. Silvanus.—God of woods and wild places, and especially the patron of hunting.

DEO SILVANO MARC & DIDIVS **PROVINCIALIS** BF & COS & VXSXLXLXM

48 [226].—Pedestal, 22" × 10", from Lanchester (Greenwell Collection). On the top may have stood a statue of the god. "To the god Silvanus, Marcus Didius Provincialis, consular beneficiary, pays a vow." For the meaning of "consular beneficiary" cf. No. 29. C 441, LS 681.

49 [107].—Small altar, 16" x 101", found built into the White-SILVANO friars Tower, Newcastle. Every-C VALE thing below the third line is broken away. "To the god Silvanus, [set up by] Gaius Vale[rius?] . . ." spelling do for deo is not uncommon, and cf. dae for dea. C 500, LS 11.

50 [117]. Sa . . .—The name of this goddess is not wholly legible, nor am I able to restore it from other sources. The third and fourth letters are probably, but not certainly, both T; the rest of the name is quite clear, though faint.

DEAE SAHADAE : CVRIA TEX TOVERDORVM V. S. L. M. at Chesterholm.

Altar, 32" x 19", found in Beltingham churchyard, near Haltwhistle. Its place of origin is unknown; the nearest Roman station is a mile and a half away On the sides are the instruments of sacrifice; on the back a wreath. The inscription has been

elegantly cut in good second-century style, but is very much obscured by weathering: everything, however, is legible except the third and fourth letters of the goddess's name. "To the goddess Sattada(?) the curia of the Textoverdi pays a vow." The curia is evidently the tribal senate of a Celtic tribe called the Textoverdi, though why they should set up a dedication in Northumberland is far from clear. C 712, LS 255, EE ix, p. 593.

51-53. Sol.—The Sun-god is, for our purposes, identical with the Persian god Mithras, whose worship was very widespread in the Roman armies all along the frontier of the Empire in the early centuries of our era. He was worshipped in underground temples, known as Mithræa or Mithraic caves; the most famous English example is at Housesteads, from which come Nos. 23, 51-52, and 69.

51 [121]. — Altar, 55" × 21", from the Mithræum at Housesteads. "To the Invincible Sungod, Mithras, Lord of Ages, Litorius Pacatianus, consular beneficiary, pays a vow for himself and his family." For the meaning of the title bf. cos., cf. No. 29. C 645, LS 182.

SOLI, INVI CTO MYTRAE SAECVLARI 5 LITORIVS **PACATIANVS** BF. COS. PRO SE ET SVIS. V. S

52 [134].—Small altar, 21" × 10", from the Mithræum at Housesteads. At the top is the head of the Sun-god, radiate, with a whip in his hand; below is the inscription: "To the Sun-god, Herion(ius?) pays a vow." C 647, LS 191.

d. SOLI HERION V L M

53 [181].—Altar, 43" × 17", from Rudchester. "To Apollo APOLLINI Anicetus (=invincible) the Sun-ANICETO god." Traces of a further inscription are to be seen, doubtless recording the dedicator, but nothing more is legible. C 543, LS 64.

54 [126]. Victory.—This personification is extremely common in sculpture (cf. Nos. 272-275), less so as an object of dedication. Here we have a base evidently connected with a statue.

VIC. TO. RI. AE. AVG. COH. VII.
NER. VI. O. RVM. CVI. PRAE. EST. C
IVL. BAR. BA. RVS. PRAE. FEC. V. S. L. M

Base, 24" × 7½", originally no doubt placed below a niche containing a statue like No. 272, and inscribed "To Imperial Victory, erected in discharge of a vow by the Seventh Cohort of Nervii, under the command of Gaius Julius Barbarus, prefect." Supposed to have come from Great Chesters. C 726, LS 275.

55 [76]. Virgo Caelestis.—The Virgin, as a sign of the Zodiac, was worshipped in the east and south of the Empire; in this example the cult is found spreading to the west, for political reasons.

IMMINET LEONI VIRGO CAELES
TI SITV SPICIFERA IVSTI IN
VENTRIX VRBIVM CONDITRIX
EX QVIS MVNERIBVS NOSSE CON
TIGIT DEOS ERGO EADEM MATER DIVINA
PAX VIRTVS CERES DEA SYRIA
LANCE VITAM ET IVRA PENSITANS
IN CAELO VISVM SYRIA SIDVS EDI
DIT LIBYAE COLENDVM INDE

CVNCT! DIDICIMVS
ITA INTELLEXIT NVMINE INDVCTVS
TVO MARCVS CAECILIVS DO
NATIANVS MILITANS TRIBVNVS
IN PRAEFECTO DONO PRINCIPIS

Slab, 39" × 26", from Carvoran, with a remarkably well-preserved inscription in verse. "The Virgin in her heavenly place rides upon the Lion; bearer of corn, inventor of law, founder of cities; by whose gifts it comes that we know the gods, and therefore she is the Divine Mother, Peace, Virtue, Ceres, the Syrian Goddess,

weighing life and laws in her balance. Syria has sent the constellation which we see in the heavens to Libya to be worshipped; thence have we all learned. Thus has understood, led by thy godhead, Marcus Caecilius Donatianus, serving as tribune in the office of prefect by the Emperor's gift." The poem is really in honour of Julia Domna, the Syrian wife of the Libyan (African) Emperor Septimius Severus. Iulia Domna is identified with the Virgin, whom coins of Severus show riding on the Lion, and it seems to be the case that this Syrian constellation-worship travelled to Africa with the Phœnicians: Dido, in Virgil, worships the "law-giver Ceres." The statue with which this inscription was connected, therefore, showed Julia Domna, with a wreath of ears of corn, riding on a lion and holding a balance, probably with other accessories. Donatianus records the fact that though he only held the command proper to a prefect, he had been given the brevet rank of tribune (cf. No. 1). C 759, LS 306.

56-64. Di Vitires, Huiteres, Veteres.—These gods, generally plural and masculine, but sometimes singular (deo Vitiri, etc.) and sometimes, though rarely, feminine (deabus Vitiribus), were widely worshipped along the line of the Wall and a little way north and south of it, but never, so far as we know, farther south than York or farther north than Netherby. It has been thought that they are simply "the Old Gods" of paganism, worshipped in an age when Christianity was becoming general; but this is impossible for several reasons: (1) "Old Gods" in that sense would be not veteres but antiqui. pagan survival would surely be careful as to what god it was worshipping, and would not lump them all together. (3) The distribution of these altars suggests a local cult like, e.g., that of Cocidius. (4) The spelling is conclusive against the theory, for no Latin adjective is ever so fantastically misspelt on so many monuments as Veteres must, on the theory, be. It is therefore reasonably certain that we have here a divine name, probably (to judge by the presence of the sound hu) of Teutonic origin, huitris, or the like, which has in some cases been

confused with the adjective vetus. Whether it has any connection with the epithet vithrir, applied to Odin in the Eddas, is very doubtful.

dihuS HVITE RIBVS

56 [116].—Lower part, $5\frac{1}{2}$ " × 61, of a small altar from Carrawburgh. "To the Di Huiteres." There are several examples of the name beginning Hu.

and one on record of Vh. C 502b.

DIBus VETERI BVS POS SIT ROMA NA

57 $\lceil 125 \rceil$.—Small altar, $10 \times 5''$. "To the from Great Chesters. Di Veteres, set up by Romana." In this example the name of the gods in question has been assimilated to the Latin adjective veteres, and they thus become "the Old Gods." C 728, LS 277.

E 0 VITIRi . . THAV . .

. POI . .

58 [231].—Small altar, 161" x 8", from Lanchester (Greenwell Collection). A flake has removed the ends of all the lines: lines 1 and 2 are well cut, 3 and 4 too poorly cut to be now "To the god Vitiris . . ." C 444, LS 691.

DEO VITIRE MENI DADA 5 VSLM a vow."

59 [141].—Small altar, $9'' \times 6''$. found in 1883 at Shotton, co. Durham, but seen in the eighteenth century at Carvoran. "To the god Vitiris, M(a)eni(us) Dada pays C 764, LS 315.

DEO VITI RI D VIH 5 NO VS

60 $\lceil 133a \rceil$.—Small altar, $23'' \times$ 8½", from Chester-le-Street. "To the god Vitiris, Duihno pays a vow." The name Duihno recalls the Gaulish river Duina. EE vii, 985.

DEO. VE TER! NE CALAM ES. V. S. L

61 $\lceil 145 \rceil$ —Small altar, $11 \times 7''$, "To the god from Carvoran. Veteris, Necalames (?) pays a vow!." C 761, LS 320.

RELIGIOUS DEDICATIONS

62 [146].—Small altar, $9\frac{1}{2}" \times$ $5\frac{1}{2}$ ", from Chester-le-Street. "To the Deæ Vitires, Vitalis pays a vow." This and 63 are remarkable as making these deities female.

DAEABu S VITIR IBVS VITALIS s l M

63 [142].—Small altar, $14 \times 7''$, DEABS VITBVS from Chester-le-Street. The stone is a coarse grit and the letters are not easy to read. Line I is VADRI probably deabus, the u having been cut small and vanished. Line 2 seems an abbreviation, in the medieval manner, for Viteribus; this style of abbreviating gradually comes into use during the Roman period, but is rare before the fourth century. Line 3 is faint, and its meaning is not known. Line 4 has been thought to contain a

 $^{\circ}64$ [165].—Lower part, $7\frac{1}{2}$ " × $6\frac{1}{2}$ ", of a small altar from Old Penrith, Cumberland. "[To the SLM Di] Vicres, T? S? pays a vow." The letters T and S in line 2 are uncertain. Vicres is presumably a misspelling of Vitires. LS 270.

reference to the river Wear (Vedra). C 454, LS 542.

65-80.—Unidentified Deities.

65 [3].—Altar, $49'' \times 21''$, from Housesteads, with the inscription almost entirely obliterated. At the end can be read trib(unus) libertus ex v(oto) s(olvit) l(ibens) a(nimo). "tribune and freedman, discharged this in accordance with his vow, willingly." C 657.

66 [6].—Small altar, 21\frac{1}{2} \times 11", found on the line of the Wall near Byker Bridge. It is well cut, but the inscription has been worn away by sharpening tools on the face. "Julius Maximus, priest, (dedicates this) to the god Di (?)" It

RTVS EX V S L A

IVL. MAX IMVS. SAC

D. DI. . . .

0. 1. . . .

⁵ PE. . . . QV. . . .

H . . .

is impossible to say what god is meant. EE vii, 1007.

G...GN

Gamma Gi", from Chester-le-Street. It seems to read: "To the god Dig..." but it is impossible to say what god is meant. Line 3 is unintelligible, and line 4 illegible. C 453, LS 543.

DEO M **68** [225].—Small altar, 12" \times **. C. RSE** 7", from Lanchester (Greenwell Collection). "To the god M(ars?)..." The rest is obscure. It has been read Deo M(ithrae) C(auto) P(ati) S(oli) I(nvicto), abbreviating a string of titles of the Sungod, but the letters, though faint, seem to disprove this view. C 650 and 1344c, LS 675.

69 [199].—Altar, 53" × 17", from the Mithraic cave at Housesteads, and presumably dedicated to the Invincible Sungod Mithras, but everything has perished except the first line. C 648, LS 185.

SANCTE ET NVMIN

DOMITIVS EPICTET

COMMILITONIBVS TEMPLVM

"To the holy goddess . . . and the deities [of the Emperors], Domitius Epictetus . . . with his fellow-soldiers, [built] this temple." The emperors referred to may be Marcus Aurelius and Verus or Commodus, as the lettering seems to belong to the late second century. EE vii, 1000.

VSLM of die 25" × 24", of a large altar from Benwell, or possibly the lower part of a pedestal supporting a statue or the like, since the top of this stone is not broken off but dressed, and this would imply that the altar, if such it was, was made of two separate stones, which is contrary to practice. Round the stone is a band of scroll-work, above which is a band of conventionalized vegetable forms. The lower part of the die bears the inscription: "So-and-so, centurion of the Valerian

Victorious Twentieth Legion, pays a vow." The letters, owing to weathering, are barely visible, but the style of the fragment resembles that of the large Benwell altars, Nos. 1-3. C 514, LS 16.

72 [36b].—Two fragments, together 15"×10", from an altar found at Wallsend. "[Set up GELER. PR by . . .] Cornelius Celer, prefect of the Fourth Cohort of Lingones." SIIII

The cohort is conjectural, but would fit the tops of letters visible in line 5. EE ix, 1158.

73 [68].—Part, 15" × 14", of a D10. . . . slab from Carvoran. It runs, ET NVMINIBV roughly, "To the god . . . and to IVL. PACATVSI I the deities [of the Emperors], ET PACVTIVS C Julius Pacatus . . . and Pacutius SET VI. VAL. ET C . . . and V (?) Val (?) and CCVS A SOLO ... ccus built this (temple) from ER. V S the ground in discharge of a vow." The name in line 5 is illegible. In line 7 [fec]er(unt) v(otum) s(olventes) is recognizable. The lettering is rough and bad. C 755, LS 300.

74 [114].—Part, 18" × 14", of a slab or altar from Risingham. "[To the god . . .] for the welfare of Arrius Paulinus, erected by his freedman Theodotus." C 1000, LS 610.

75 [104]. — Altar, 33" × 14", the inscription almost wholly lost by weathering. It has been ascribed to Housesteads, but this is pure conjecture, and its real

PRO SALVTE
ARR & PAVLINI
THEODOTVS
L | R

C . . . SEV . . .IDIVS. SEVE RVS PRAEF V S L M

source is unknown. The only thing that can be regarded as even fairly certain is "[D]idius Severus, prefect, paid a vow." The Housesteads garrison was commanded by a prefect, and this, so far as it goes, bears out the traditional view of its origin. C 655, LS 181.

NVS. O LEG AGENS. CVRAM aRAM. DICAVIT

76 [213] -Bottom right-hand portion of an altar, roughly cut in very coarse grit, found at Great Chesters. $17'' \times 14''$. "... nus,

v S L M centurion of the . . . legion, in charge . . . dedicated this altar and paid his vow." The stone seems to have been used as building material in the headquarters building.

. . S. TRO IVS DET.S.V.S.L.L.

77 [144].—Lower part, $9'' \times 6''$, of an altar from Benwell. The sense seems to be that "... Jus(tus) of the tribe Tromentina, centurion, and his family, paid a vow." C 516, LS 26.

MILVM. BINIVS V. S. L. M.

78 [131].—Small base or pedestal, 12" × 7", on which a statue or other votive offering has been placed. The inscription is rudely cut in the rough grit-stone, but there is little doubt of the letters; the meaning is less clear. Perhaps armilum is a

solecism for armillam, a kind of error not uncommon in provincial Latin of the Empire; and in that case the sense is: "Binius pays his vow and gives the god an armlet." Armillum is a very rare word meaning a drinking-vessel, but it may be doubted whether it would be used locally in this way. From Carvoran. C 744, LS 298.

TE.

79 [217].—Fragment, 13" × 10", from Great Chesters. Probably from an altar; the letters are very roughly cut and hardly finished. EE ix, 1201, d.

X V X S X L

80.—Fragment of small altar, 6" × 4". Origin unknown. genus paid a vow."

II. IMPERIAL DEDICATIONS AND RECORDS OF BUILDING

These fall into two main classes. Nos. 81–95 are slabs of some size and importance, generally recording the full name and titles of the emperor under whom the work was done, and intended to be ornamental features of the buildings concerned. They are often decorated with sculptures, and were always painted, often with gold letters. Nos. 104–140 are "centurial stones," which are ordinary building stones, or little more, cut, generally in a very amateurish fashion, with the name of the unit (generally a century, sometimes a cohort or legion) that built the particular piece of walling in which they were placed. Such stones were often set up in forts; but most of those in this collection come from Hadrian's Wall, and yield valuable deductions concerning the manner in which it was built.

81-95.—Building and other imperial slabs, in chronological order.

81 [1].—Part, 22" × 22", of a slab, which appears to have recorded an address by Hadrian to his troops on the occasion of a victory or other achievement; this must have OMNIVM. Fidem . . .

HADRianus . . .

A.NECESSITAT . . .

VATIS.I . . INOPR

P.II.F.ICIPATIIC

III. IS. IC. IA.

been when he came to Britain in 122, and the achievement was therefore possibly the construction of the Great Wall in its earlier form, the final form being perhaps a result of Hadrian's visit. Another piece of what appears to be the same monument is in London, and the two together suggest some such sense as this: Hadrian, on the completion of a vast number of forts scattered over the province, and of a fortified barrier crossing Britain from sea to sea, reviews his armies and praises their universal loyalty and steadiness; necessity has forbidden them to conquer the entire world, but they have conserved the frontiers of the Roman Empire, and so forth. The stone was re-used in the pre-Norman church at Jarrow, and an Anglian cross is visible on one edge. It must have come

from some site near the eastern end of the Wall. C 498, LS 539.

82 [98].—Slab, $40'' \times 24''$, from the milecastle at Milking Gap, at the east end of Crag Lough.

IMP CAES TRAIAN HADRIANI AVG LEG. II. AVG

PLATORIO NEPOTE LEG PR PR

honour of the Emperor Cæsar Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus, (built by) the Second August Legion, under Aulus Platorius Nepos, legate pro praetore" (i.e., Governor of Britain). This and similar slabs make it absolutely certain that the milecastles, and therefore the turrets and the Wall, were built about 122-126, for we know that Platorius Nepos was governor in 124. C 660, LS 199. (Plate V.) -

83 $\lceil 98a \rceil$.—The right half, S. TRAIAN 24" × 23", of a slab exactly like the ANI AVG foregoing. It was found in the AVG same milecastle as the duplicate. EPOTE LEG PR PR The other half of this slab is in the Dean and Chapter Library at Durham. C 661, LS 200.

divi NERVAE Nepoti traiANO. HADRIAno AVG.

12", of a slab from Chapel House, west of Thirlwall; probably from a milecastle at LEG. XX. V. V "In honour of the Emperor Cæsar, or near that site. son of the divine Trajan,] grandson of the divine Nerva, Trajanus Hadrianus Augustus; built by the Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legion." C 835 (wrongly ascribed to Birdoswald), LS 325.

IMP. ANTONI NO. AVG. PIO. P. PAT. VEXILATIO LEG. II. AVG. ET. LEG VI. VIC. ET. LEG

85 [11b].—Slab, $26'' \times 19''$, dredged out of the river at Newcastle, in the north channel of the Swing Bridge. The neatness of the work and

84 [109].—Portion, 26" ×



82. SLAB FROM THE MILE-CASTLE AT MILKING GAP.



the absolute lack of weathering are remarkable; as is the omission of one L in vexillatio and the T and first I in contributi. These are errors of

XX. V. V. CONR
BYTI. EX. GER. DV
OBVS. SVB. IVLIO. VE
RO. LEG. AVG. PR. P

contributi. These are errors of cutting merely, and the missing letters were no doubt painted in their proper places on the stone. "In honour of the Emperor Antoninus Augustus Pius, father of his country, by a vexillation (draft) of the Second August and Sixth Victorious and Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legions. contributed from the two Germanies (Upper and Lower), under Julius Verus, praetorian legate of the emperor." Julius Verus was governor about 157-160. He had to repair the ravages of a great rising in Scotland and the north of England; this slab shows that his legions were found by him in a weak condition, having doubtless suffered in the recent war, and had to be reinforced by drafts from overseas, which landed at Newcastle (like the Sixth Legion itself in Hadrian's time, see Nos. 44, 46), and on landing erected a statue or the like to the emperor. EE ix, 1163. (Plate IV.)

86 [222].—Cast of a "distance-slab" from Castlehill on the Antonine wall. The original was sold to an American, and perished in a fire at Chicago. "In honour of the Emperor Cæsar Titus Ælius Hadrianus Antoninus

IMP C T
AEL HADR
IANO AN
TONINO AVG
PIO PPVEX
LEG XX VV FEC
PM P III

Augustus Pius, father of his country. A vexillation of the Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legion built three miles of the Wall." The Antonine Wall was built by vexillations or drafts working at individual stretches of considerable length; that of Hadrian by centuries, working at very short pieces. Obviously the Antonine method was an improvement on the Hadrianic. C 1133a.

87 [194].—Fragments, 27" x 24", of a slab from Great Chesters: "[In honour of the Emperors] Cæsars

impp. caesar	ibvs an	ITONIN	O ET	vero
augustis par	THICIS	MEDIC	ıs	
• • • • • •	RAET	ORVm .		
MISI	. CCII	IET	г.,	
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Antoninus [and Verus], [august,] conquerors of Parthia, healers; [built by the . . .] of Raetians . . ." The title medicis makes it probable that M. Aurelius Antoninus and his colleague Verus are the emperors in question (A.D. 162–169). The Raetians in question are probably the same vexillation as in Nos. 14, 20 and 90; we know of no cohort of Raetians in Britain. C 731, LS 286.

NIIO. PAVLIN

aG. IN. PRAETENtura

sides. (a) An inscription in good second-century style, probably Hadrian or Antoninus Pius, recording the erection of a building in charge of [Tere]ntius? Paulinus, acting in the garrison.

IMPERATORIB

CAESARIBVS

M. AVRELIO AN

tonino. . . . Emperors, either Marcus Aurelius and Verus or Commodus, or Caracalla and Geta. C 634, 664; LS 203.

89 [138].—Large slab from Risingham, probably built in over the south gateway of the fort when the whole was rebuilt, or extensively repaired, under Septimius Severus. The inscription is contained within a large wreath of leaves and berries; a Victory on the right and a figure of Mars on the left act as supporters. The text contains a great number of ligatured letters; its upper portion is lost, but can be restored with certainty.

"[In honour of the Emperor Cæsar L. Septimius Severus Pius Pertinax, great conqueror of Arabia] Adiabene and Parthia, thrice consul, and of Marcus



89. SLAB IN HONOUR OF SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS.

Aurelius Antoninus (" Caracalla") Augustus, twice consul, [and of the most noble Cæsar P. Septimius Geta,]

Imp. caes.

L. Septimio Severo

Pio Pert. Arab. AD. PARThiCO MAXI. COS. III, ET M. AVREL. ANTONINO PIO COS. II AVG., et P. Sept. Getae, nob. caes., CVM MVRIS, VETVSTATE LAPSIS, IVSSV ALFENI SENECIONIS COS., CVRANTE OCLATINIO ADVENTO PROC. AVGG. NN., COH. I. VANGION. M. EQ. CVM AEM, SALVIO TRIB.

SVO A SOLO REST.

the First Cohort of Vangiones, a thousand strong and furnished with a contingent of cavalry, with its commanding officer Æmilius Salvius, tribune, restored from ground-level this gate and these walls, decayed through age, at the bidding of Alfenius Senecio, the illustrious proconsul, and under the superintendence of Oclatinius Adventus, procurator of our lords the emperors."

The name of Geta, here as on many other inscriptions, has been erased by order of his brother Caracalla after his murder in 212. Severus was consul for the third time in 202; Caracalla consul for the second time in 205; the inscription therefore dates between 205 and 208, when Caracalla was consul for the third time. The phrase "decayed through age," which is common in such inscriptions, seems generally intended to disguise the fact that the buildings in question had been destroyed by enemies. Alfenius Senecio (vir clarissimus is the ordinary title of a man of consular rank at this period) was Imperial Governor of Britain about A.D. 203-208. It appears from this inscription that the repairs at Risingham were carried out before the visit of Severus to Britain (208-211), though the next entry shows that more, and very important, rebuilding was done after his death. The last letters of line 7 are hardly legible. C 1003, LS 626. (Plate VI.)

- 90 [155].—Fragments of a great slab, $9'\ 3'' \times 2'\ 9''$, from Risingham. Completed, the inscription runs as follows, the lines being numbered:
- 1. imp caes divi. SEPTImi severi pii arabici adiABENICi parthici maxiMi. BRItannici maxiMi Filio. Divi marci antonini pii 2. germanici SARMATici nepoti, divi antoNiNi Pii PROnep., divi hADRIANI Abnep., divi traiani. PARTICHI. ET divi nervae adnep., 3. m. aurelio ANTONino pio felici aug parthico maximo britannico maximo germanico maximo. TRIB. POTESTATe...imp...cos. 4. propagatori imperii PROCONSVLI. PRO... et iuliae domnae aug matri avgvsti nostri et 5. castrorum. SENATVS. HAC PATRIE...6. coh. i. vangionvm. ITEM. RAETI. GAESATI. ET. EXPLoratores... POSVERVNT.

"In honour of the Emperor Cæsar Marcus Aurelius Antoninus (i.e., Caracalla, 211-217) pious, fortunate, august, greatest conqueror of Parthia and Britain and Germany, in the th year of his tribunician power, times Imperator, - times consul, extender of the empire, proconsul, pro . . ., son of the divine Septimius Severus, pious, conqueror of Arabia and Adiabene, greatest conqueror of Parthia and Britain, grandson of the divine Marcus Antoninus, pious, conqueror of Germany and Sarmatia, great-grandson of the divine Antoninus Pius, great-great-grandson of the divine Hadrian, greatgreat-great-grandson of the divine Trajan, conqueror of Parthia, and the divine Nerva; and in honour of Julia Domna, august mother of our Emperor and of the camp and the senate and the country; erected [in token of their loyalty and devotion?] by . . ., [the First Cohort of] Vangiones, the Raetian Spearmen, and the . . . Scouts."

The date seems to be somewhere in the years 212-217. The erasure at the end of line 5 seems to have contained the name of a governor or other officer who fell subsequently into disgrace. C 1002, LS 628.

91 [99].—Slab, 37" × 34", from High Rochester. "In honour of the Emperor Cæsar Marcus Aurelius Severus Antoninus (i.e., Caracalla), pious, fortunate, august, great

IMP. CAES. M. AVRELIO
SEVERO. ANTONINO
PIO. FELICI. AVG PARTHICO
MAX. BRIT. MAX. GERM

MAX. PONTIFICI. MAXIMO
TRIB. POTEST. XVIIII. IMP. II
COS. III. PROCOS. P. P. COH. I
FIDA. VARDVL. C.R. EQ. ANTO
NINIANA. FECIT. SVB. CVRA. . . .

10. LEG. AVG. PR. PR.

conqueror of the Parthians, Britons and Germans, Pontifex Maximus, holding the tribunician power for the nineteenth time, Imperator for the second time, consul for the third time, proconsul, father of his country; built by the First Loyal Cohort of Vardulli, Roman citizens, 1,000 strong, with a contingent of cavalry, Caracalla's own, under the supervision of . . . propraetorian legate of the emperor" (i.e., governor of Britain). The date is 215. An emperor held the tribunician power once for every year of his reign. C 1043, LS 568.

SVB MODIO IV **92** [96].—A fine slab, $37'' \times 26''$. with mouldings at top and bottom; LIO LEG AVG PRO on the right is a curved sword, on PR COH I AEL DC the left a palm branch. Found out-CVI PRAEEST M side the main west gateway at Bird-CL MENANDER oswald. "Under Modius Julius, TRIB praetorian legate of the Emperor, (set up by) the First Ælian cohort of Dacians, commanded by Marcus Claudius Menander, tribune." Modius Julius was probably governor of Britain about the years 217-219; this gateway, like many other buildings along the line of the Wall, seems to have been repaired or rebuilt about that time.

93 [113].—Fragment, 11" × 10", of a slab probably recording the restoration of a building in the reign of Caracalla, at Risingham.

C 838, LS 389.

IMP. CAES. M . . .
ANTONINVS. P . . .
ADIABENICV . . .

"The Emperor Cæsar Marcus Aurelius Antoninus, pious, fortunate, august, conqueror of Adiabene... [built this, by the hand of such and such officers, and such and such military units]." C 1004, LS 629.

••••• IANIII ••• 94 [112].—Fragment, 18"
•••• TISSIMI AVG •• × 11", of a slab recording rebuilding at High Rochester.
•••• The elaborately tied letters are remarkable; the fragment has been much defaced by the ploughshare. The titles fortissimus augustus, probably referring to Caracalla, and mater castrorum senatusque, probably referring to Julia Domna, his mother, are alone legible. C 1047, LS 579.

IMP. CAES. M. AVR. SEVE RVS. ALEXANDER. P. FEL AVG. HORREVM. VETV STATE. CONLABSVM. MI COH. II. ASTVRVM. S. A. A. SOLO. RESTITVERVNT PROVINCIA. REGENTII MAXIMO. LEG VAL. MARTIN

FVSCO-

95 [79].—Large slab, 49" × 40", from Great Chesters. "The Emperor Cæsar Marcus Aurelius Severus Alexander, Pious, Fortunate, August. The soldiers of the Second Cohort of Asturians, Severus Alexander's own, rebuilt from the ground this

granary fallen through age, Maximus being governor of Britain, in the consulship of Fuscus [for the second time and Dexter], under the superintendence of Valerius Martinus..." The slab is in a fresh condition, but purposely broken; it was evidently taken down when the Emperor Severus Alexander suffered damnatio memoriae (cf. Geta in No. 89) after his death. The date is 225; this is the last of a long series of rebuilding records that extend from early in the reign of Severus (197) for nearly thirty years. C 732, LS 285.

96–103.—Fragments of similar slabs, incapable of being dated with certainty.

96 [170].—Fragment, $17\frac{1}{2}'' \times 14''$, of slab from Housesteads. It had an inscribed panel in the centre, of which

one corner with the letters N O (evidently the end of an emperor's name, e.g., Hadriano or Antonino) survives; to right is a vexillum supported by the arm of a soldier. C 608.

97 [212].—Fragment, 6" × 5", severi of a slab probably commemorating the restoration of a building in the reign of Severus. Found at Great Chesters. EE ix, 1195.

98 [209].—Part of an ansate slab recording the erection or repair of a building, from Great Chesters. 19" × 16". It had been built into a later fabric. Imp(eratori) [Caes(ari) . . .] p(io) f(elici) II...

... "To the Emperor (Cæsar . .) pious and fortunate . .." There is nothing to show what emperor is commemorated. EE ix, 1194.

99 [211].—Fragment, 19" × 15", imp. CAES of a slab probably recording the erection or restoration of a building in the late second or early third century. From Great Chesters. "To the Emperor Cæsar... Maximus..." The letters of line 3 are broken at the bottom, but they are not p(io) f(elici) a[ug(u|sto)]; the third looks more like P, B, R, or D, and the second may be E. EE ix, 1196.

100. — Fragment, 11½" × 9" RESTITVI (bottom right-hand corner) of a slab co. LEG. in very coarse grit, with moulding. S. PR. BR. From Whitley Castle. The letters seem to indicate that some building was restored, in the governorship of . . . cus, Legate of the emperor, with possibly an allusion to the Province of Britain at the end. EE vii, 963.

101 [61].—Fragment, $14\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8''$, COH....

of a slab from Chesterholm. In the centre was an inscribed panel, Q C a on the left a shrine containing a MVC &

vexillum, on the right probably another containing a

standard: for the decorative scheme cf. No. 106. "—th cohort; century of Probianus, in charge of Mucius . .." For the phrase quorum curam agit, cf. Nos. 14, 20. C 719, LS 267.

102.—Small fragment, 7"×5", EGI
of a large slab, probably from Risingham, with large
letters, probably representing the word fecit, "built."
The slab seems to have recorded the construction or
reconstruction of a building, and since the letters are in
the style of the late second or early third century, it
probably adds another to the large number of building
records of that period at Risingham.

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I.....
Sub cura
FL SECVNDI
PREF

103 [82].—Slab with inscribed panel surrounded by a cable moulding; in the margin are six circles containing crosses, which are purely ornamental, and must not be taken for Christian symbols. The six lines of text are much obliterated:

"Century of Primitivus" is legible at the beginning and "in charge of Flavius Secundus, prefect," at the end. A prefect commanded an auxiliary cohort; why he should here be in charge of legionary troops, such as was, presumably, the century of Primitivus, is not clear. Perhaps the century was detailed to help Secundus's auxiliaries in building something. The slab may have come from Carvoran. C 502c.

104-142. Centurial stones from the Wall.—The Wall was built by assigning a given length of it, not more than a mile or two, to each legion, and then dividing this into a portion for each century. The centuries worked as independent and self-contained working-parties, and built each a section about 30-50 yards long, after which the entire legion was moved on to a new place. Thus (a) the legion signed its length of wall by putting its name on a stone at each end (cf. Nos. 116, 120); (b) the cohort put its name on a stone at each end of its length (cf. No. 142,

not from the wall); and (c) the century did the same for its length. Hence two identical centurial stones have sometimes been found quite close together (e.g., Nos. 107 and 108).

104 [37].—Centurial stone, COH I $13\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 9\frac{1}{2}$ ", from Wallsend. "First O FLORI Cohort, century of Florus." C 488, LS 5.

from Wallsend, 13" × 10". "Third of Sentius Priscus."

The first line is less deeply cut than the rest, especially the numeral, which is too faint to be read with certainty; Horsley read it as X. C 490, LS 6.

106 [103a]. — Building stone, LEG XX VV found at Newburn: In the CHO IIII centre, at the bottom, is an eagle; OLIB FRO on the left is a vexillum with the OTERE MAG inscription LEG | XX, on the right a standard. "Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legion; Fourth Cohort; centuries of Liburnius Fronto and Terentius Magnus." EE vii, 1010.

107 [23].—Centurial stone, OARRI $11\frac{1}{2}$ " × 6", from Benwell. "Century of Arrius." C 527b, LS 43.

108 [24]—Centurial stone, OARRI 102"×6", from Benwell. "Century of Arrius." C 527a, LS 44.

14].—Centurial stone, 14½" × 7", perhaps from Benwell; it 2 ivi. Ivv was once in a collection at Ryton. The inscription is not legible with certainty, but perhaps runs: "Seventh(?) cohort, century of Julius Juv(enalis)" or the like. Certainly Bruce's reading of the second line is incorrect. C 526, LS 42.

110 [183a].—Centurial stone, 9 AVI
15" x 12", found on the line of the DI RVFI
wall near West Denton, a little west of the lane leading

to Newburn. In an ansate panel surrounded by mouldings, the inscription "Century of Avidius Rufus." EE ix, 1169a.

stone, 9" × 4". From Walbottle, but has been ascribed to Housesteads. "Century of Car(inus?)." The last letter might be R or P. EE ix, 1170.

O IVLI PRO

GVLI $13'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$, from Walbottle, found about 200 yards west of the Engine inn, on the West Turnpike. "Century of Julius Proculus," in ansate panel. EE ix, 1169b.

3 PP 113 [38].—Centurial stone, $8\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 8\frac{1}{2}$ ", from Walbottle. "Century of the primus pilus," i.e., the senior centurion of a legion. C 534, LS 51.

GRINI10" $\times 5\frac{1}{2}$ ", found in the wall near Walbottle. "Century of Peregrinus." The letters I N are tied. The centurion recurs, on a stone very similar in style, at Tretower in Brecknockshire; this suggests that the present stone may belong to the South Welsh (Second) Legion. C 533b, LS 49.

9 ARRI 115 [25].—Centurial stone, II $\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 4\frac{1}{2}$ ", from Rudchester. "Century of Arrius." EE vii, 1013; LS 920.

116 [137].—Building stone,
11 24" × 19", from Brunton, with
124" × 19", from Brunton, with
134 inscription "(Built by) the Second
135 August Legion," in an ansate panel. C 562a, LS 93.

COH I O NA
BASSI HAS P
23" × 6", from Hatheridge, N.W. of
Chesters. "First cohort, century of Na(evius?) Bassus,
hastatus primus," i.e., third centurion in order of
seniority in the legion. C 597, LS 127.

- 118 [65].—Centurial stone, COH V
 13" × 7½", from near Sewingshields.
 "Fifth cohort, century of Caecilius PROCLI
 Proclus." Two duplicates were found near Chesters.
 C 625, LS 162.
- 119 [251]. Centurial stone, 16" × 8", from Sewingshields. c TERENTI "First cohort, century of Terentius Cantaber." EE vii.
- 120 [78].—Stone found in the LEG II
 Wall west of Sewingshields. AVG
 "(Built by) the Second August Legion." This marked
 the beginning or end of a length of Wall built by that
 legion, as did 116.
- 121 [60].—Centurial stone, COH V PR
 12" × 9", from the Wall west of ... AX
 Sewingshields. The second line is illegible, and it is impossible to interpret the whole with certainty. C 626, LS 163.
- 122 [254].—Centurial stone, O GELLI PHILIP 19" × 6", from near Cawfields. PI "Century of Gellius Philippus." EE ix, 1187.
- 123 [255]. Centurial stone, 3 MAXI
 13½" × 7½", from near Cawfields. "Century of Maximus."
 EE ix. 1188.
- 124 [257]. Centurial stone, 8" × 8", from near Cawfields.
 "Century of Romulius Justus." IVSTI
 EE ix, 1189.
- 125 [253]. Centurial stone, COH. III

 16" × 8", from near Cawfields. 9. SOCELL

 "Third cohort, century of Socellius." A duplicate was seen about two miles to the west in 1757. EE ix, 1190.
- 126 [259]. Centurial stone, COH V

 12" × 9", found near the mile-castle OSIIXTI PROC
 on Cockmount Hill, west of Great Chesters. "Fifth

Cohort, century of Sextus Proc(ulus)." The last letter is not very clear; it may be B. EE ix, 1202.

COH VIII 127 [261]. — Centurial stone, **3 SIICCI**II" \times 9½", found with the foregoing.

"Eighth cohort, century of Seccus." EE ix, 1205.

COH. III

SENII.I

found with 126, 127. "Third cohort, century of Senilis." EE ix, 1204, where the centurion's name is not read.

COH VIII 129 [261].—Duplicate of 127, **3 SIICCI**14"×8", from Low Town farm,
near Ollalee. The bottom is broken off. EE iv, 685.

3 MAXI130 [256]. — Centurial stone, 13" × 7", from near Ollalee. "Century of Maximus." EE ix, 1203.

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131 [262].—Part, $8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$, of
a centurial stone from Mucklebank
Turret. "Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legion; tenth cohort; century of [Jul]ius Florentinus." EE ix, 1387.

FL. CL. 15" × 8", from Mucklebank Turret. "First Cohort, century of Flavius Claudianus," or some such name. EE ix, 1206.

COH V 133 [258].—Centurial stone, 3 IVLI 3 VALE $14'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$, from Walltown Crags. "Fifth cohort, century of Julius Vale(rianus?)." In spite of the two centurial marks, one century is probably intended.

O CLAVDI

P & XXX. SE & from Carvoran. "The century of Claudius built 30½ paces." P might stand for passus, paces, or pedes, feet; probably the former. C 782, LS 344.

135 [62].—Centurial stone, 15" × 8", from Carvoran. "The CASSIA century of Valerius Cassianus built INPVPXIX 19 paces along the line of the Wall" (per vallum passus xix). This would be about 30 yards. C 789, LS 340.

136 [110].—Part, 14½" × 14", of a building-stone from Carvoran. It ANTOnius is not a centurial stone in the ordinary sense, but a personal G.S.F. record of his presence left by an individual soldier; cf. Nos. 141 and 148–150. "Century of Martialis; Antonius Viator, from Upper Germany, made this." C 781, LS 338.

137 [39].—Building-stone, COH VIII
13"×5", from Drumburgh in Cumberland. "Eighth
Cohort." It is given twice in LS, once erroneously with
false ascription to Benwell (41), once correctly (523); in C
it is given once (524), following Bruce's wrong entry.

138-141.—Centurial stones from the Wall, source unknown.

138 [20].—Centurial stone, COH. VIII $11'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$. "Eighth cohort, century 9 VAL. VERI of Valerius Verus," a centurion appearing at Ollalee and Foultown. C 502e seems intended for a reading of this stone, which is not in LS.

139 [64].—Centurial stone,
14" × 9". Inscription, much defaced, in an ansate panel: "Tenth cohort, century of Vesuvius Rufus." The same centurion appears on a stone in the vicarage garden at Gilsland.
C 502f appears to be this stone, which is not in LS.

140 [67].—Centurial stone, COH VIII

14" × 8". "Eighth cohort, century 3 CAECILI

of Caecilius Clemens." Said to CLEME

come from Chesterholm, but this is probably an error due
to the fact that it was in a collection which contained

stones from that site. It is a duplicate of a stone (C 569, LS 100) found on the Wall near St. Oswald's, and this stone also, therefore, probably comes from the Wall. C 718, LS 265.

COH. III 141.—Centurial stone, $15\frac{1}{2}$ " × $6\frac{1}{2}$ ". "Third cohort, century of . . ." Not in C or LS.

OCTAVI

142 [30]. — Small thin slab, SEBANI

10" $\times 5\frac{1}{2}$ ", of very friable sandstone, from Cramlington; originally, no doubt, from the Wall. The inscription has no visible centurial mark: "(Century) of Octavius Sebanus." Hübner claims to have seen the centurial mark, which may have been rubbed off since his time. C 1027; not in LS.

143–150.—Stones resembling the above in general character.

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ALIVS
Mill; perhaps originally from a mile-castle thereabouts.
"Century of Julius Numisianus: Ulpius Canalius and L. Gout . . . ius." The lettering is very rude and the reading, in details, hardly certain; but it evidently records the names of two men belonging to a century, who have cut their names idly, rather than recorded their share in the building of the Wall. C 502, LS 14.

FE... Building-stone, 15" × 8", from Longwitton Hall, to which place it was perhaps brought from Risingham or High Rochester. "Built by the Second August Legion." EE ix, 1361.

144 [149].—Building-stone, coh... 15" × 12", from Corbridge. The regimental badges of the Second Legion, capricorn and pegasus, face each other at the top, with a crescent between them; below is the legend: "Second August Legion.

- cohort." The vanished numeral may have been III. EE vii, 989.
- 145 [151].—Building-stone, LEG II
 14"×13", from Corbridge; found about 1883. The letters are neatly COH III F
 cut within a double moulding. "Built by the third cohort of the Second August Legion." The inscription is much weathered, but legible. EE vii, 990.
- 146 [147].—Building-stone, LEG.VI.VIC.P.F.
 23"×7", from Corbridge. "Sixth Legion, Victorious,
 Loyal and Faithful." It commemorates building done at
 Corstopitum by that Legion. C 475, LS 647.
- 147 [152].—Building-stone, found 1856 near Corbridge. 18" x PIE F VEX 13". Inscription clearly cut within REFE mouldings. "Legionis vi pi(a)e f(idelis) vex(illatio) refe(cit)," "rebuilt by a vexillation of the loyal and faithful Sixth Legion." For vexillations at Corbridge cf. No. 24. C 476, LS 646.
- 148 [106].—Stone resembling a centurial stone, from Chester-le-Street. $18\frac{1}{2}" \times 8"$. In an ansate panel are the letters NEMI, the beginning of an incomplete inscription. Not in C or LS.
- 149 [31].—Building-stone, COHI & TH $13\frac{1}{2}'' \times 9\frac{1}{2}''$, from Clavering Place, RACVM

 Newcastle. In an ansate panel is the inscription "First Cohort of Thracians," with a rude palm-branch below on the right. C 501, LS 13.
- 150 [33].—Building-stone, 20" COH I BATA ×7", from Carvoran. In an ansate VORVM. F panel, the inscription "Built by the First Cohort of Batavians." This was the garrison at Carrawburgh, and its employment in building work at Carvoran is worthy of notice. C 777, LS 331.
 - 151 [192].—Building-stone from Piercebridge, 2' 5" x

7", bearing in large and well-cut letters the name BELLINVS, in all probability idly cut by the person who C 430 (where it is ascribed to Binchester), bore it. LS 726.

152 [28].—Building-stone from Walbottle, $12'' \times 7\frac{1}{2}''$, with the four letters ELIX neatly cut; apparently part of the name Felix, but there is a blank space before the E. Not a centurial inscription; a soldier has cut his name idly on a stone. C 528, LS 50.

153 [252].—Building-stone, 11" x 6", from Sewingshields, with the roughly-cut letters NAR. It resembles a centurial stone in style, but is probably idle cutting.

ILV .AJOM .OTHA .C **154** [215-6]. — Two-thirds of a well-made millstone from Great Chesters, 16" in diameter, with the inscription running round the upper surface: "Century of Anto(ninus); mill number seven." The numeral is broken offishort at the end, and may have been VIII or VIIII. EE ix, 1197.

III. TOMBSTONES, INSCRIBED

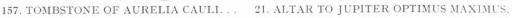
ANICIO-INGENVO MEDICO ORD, COH I TYNGR VIX AN XXV

LS 196.

155 [188].—Tombstone, 60" × Housesteads. '30", from of Anicius Ingenuus, memory surgeon serving in the ranks to the First Cohort of Tungrians, aged twenty-five." Ordinatus means that the person so described performed the duties of a private soldier but had also a special function of his own such as architect, surveyor or, as here, surgeon. Above the inscription is a hare in relief. C 690,

156 [101].—Tombstone, 64" × 33", found on Gallowhill, Carlisle. In a round-topped niche, with a column on each side topped by pine-cone finials, stands a lady in a long-sleeved robe; her hair is done in the style of the mid-







second century, characteristic of Faustina the elder; her right hand holds a bunch of flowers, her left the fringed end of her cloak. Beneath is an inscription in a sunk

D M AVR AVRELIA VIXSIT ANNOS XXXX VLPIVS APOLÍNARIS CONIVGI CARISSIME POSVIT

panel. "In memory of Aurelia Aureliana, who lived forty years. Set up by Ulpius Apollinaris to his dearest wife." Since AVR is clearly short for Aurelia, AVRELIA must be meant as an abbreviation for Aureliana. C 931, LS 497 (where the draughtsman has mistaken the roughly-finished chiselling under the lady's chin for a beard).

157 [207].—Tombstone, 60" x 25", from Great Chesters, where it had been used to form the foundation of a wall and the cover of a drain. "In memory of Aurelia Cauli . . . (set up by) Aurelia S . . . illa to her dearest sister, who lived fifteen years and four months." Above the inscription is an urn. EE ix, 1199. (Plate VII.)

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AVRELIAE
CAVLI...
AVRELIA
SORORI ca
RISSIME
VIXIT AN
XV M IIII

158 [83].—Tombstone, 62"
×33", from Carvoran. "In
memory of Aurelia Itala, a
native of Salona: set up by
Aurelius Marcus, of the century of Obsequens, to his
sainted wife, who lived thirtythree years without any
blemish." Aurelius Marcus

D M
AVR ITALAE
D SALONAS
AVR MARCVS
D OBSEQ CON
IVGI SANCTIS
SIMAE QVAE VI
XIT ANNIS XXXIII
SINE VLLA MACVLA

was a legionary soldier, and therefore a Roman citizen. What he was doing at Carvoran we do not know; if he had been engaged in the building of the Wall he would not have been accompanied by his wife. The cutter has put IFAIA, but probably meant ITALA. C 793, LS 321.

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NIS. XIII. M. V.
D. XXII. AVR.
QVARTINVS.
POSVIT. FILI
AE. SVAE.
the second century.

AVRELIA
VICTORINA
AVREL. victor
Pater filiae
FEcit...
broken off. C 573, LS 89.

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159 [120].—Tombstone from Risingham, 2' 6" × 1' 9". "Sacred to the memory of my loving mother Aurelia Lupula. Set up by Dionysius Fortunatus her son. May the earth lie light upon thee!" For the formula s(it) t(ibi) t(erra) l(evis), compare No. 186. C 1014, LS 616.

160 [119]. — Tombstone from Risingham, 34" × 26". "Sacred to the memory of Aurelia Quartilla, who lived thirteen years, five months and twenty-two days. Set up by Aurelius Quartinus to his daughter." The stone is an example of good quality work of C 1015, LS 620.

161 [138c].—Tombstone, 22" x 18", from Halton Chesters (Blackett Collection). "In memory of Aurelia Victorina, set up by her father Aurelius Victor" (to his dear daughter, or the like). The end is

162 [94].—Part, 24" × 24", of a tombstone from Risingham, with a floral scroll in the margin. "[In memory of] Au[relia] daughter of Meni..., wife of Marcus Aurelius C..., aged thirty-seven." C 1016, LS 618.

163 [182].—Part, 25" × 18", of a gable-topped tombstone from Benwell. Beyond the fact that the deceased was called Aurelius or the made out: the inscription is too

Aurelia, nothing can be made out; the inscription is too much weathered. C 538, LS 30.

TOMBSTONES, INSCRIBED

164 [95].—Part of a tombstone from Risingham, 24" × 13". The letters are sharp and clear, though late in style, but the meaning is almost wholly undiscoverable. Someone called Decep[tus?] seems to have died at the age of twenty-two on the 1st of June. It has been thought that rehitia[vit] unknown word meaning requievit,

S.DECEP ANN XXII Kal. IVN Rehitia Dit cos c

VPFIVVICT AVVNCVLV

twenty-two on the 1st of June. It AVVNCVLV has been thought that rehitia[vit] may be an otherwise unknown word meaning requievit, rested in peace. The stone was evidently put up by his uncle (avunculus); it has certain resemblances in style with continental Christian tombstones. C 1021, LS 623.

165 [183].—Part, 28"

× 10", of a tombstone, DECI BA
first seen a little west DIE PI |||||
of Birdoswald in 1752. ET BRAE
Since then it has lost ST. AXET
part of its inscription. VSERAT

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DEC
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We give, first, the text as copied in 1752, secondly, the letters visible to-day. It seems to commemorate two persons, one apparently only a few days old, the other, called Blaesus, ten years and . . . months. Line 2 seems to contain the Dacian name Decebalus; the father of these children was no doubt a soldier in the Dacian cohort in garrison at Birdoswald. C 866, LS 382. (C 539, LS 31, attribute the same inscription by mistake to Benwell.)

166.—Tombstone, 41" × D & M

31", with gable top and FELICIO & LIBERTI
decoration running round. VIXIT & ANNIS
The style of the work resembles that of the third century. "In memory of
Felicio, a freedman, aged twenty years." The word
Felicio is probably abbreviated for Felicionis. From High
Rochester. EE iv, 689.

167 [138f].—Tombstone, 20" × HARDALIO 19", found in 1868 in the stable- NIS ♥

conser.

solved by the collection of Hardalio, set up to their well-deserving fellow-slave by his collegium." The top, broken off, doubtless bore the formula D(is) M(anibus); the last line reads b(ene) m(erenti) p(osuït). The name Hardalio reappears elsewhere as Ardelio, etc. A collegium was a guild, or society of persons engaged in the same occupation; such guilds often buried members out of their common funds. Here we have a guild of slaves. C 572, LS 91.

IVLPR...IVS gable-shaped ornament at the top;
COII...GIC badly broken and joined together
in a wooden tray. D(is) M(anibus),
Iul. Pr...ius, con[iu]gi c(arissimae) p(onendum)
c(uravit). "Julius Priscus(?) had this erected in memory
of his dearest wife." From Corbridge. EE ix, 1153.

IVL VICTOR

SIG VIX AN

L X

"[In memory of] Julius Victor, standard-bearer, aged sixty." The letters are very well cut. C 1011, LS 622.

IVLIA. MATEr

NA. AN. VI IVL

MARGELLINVS

FILIAE CARISSIMAE

Materna, aged six: (set up by) Julius Marcellinus to his dearest daughter." C 478, LS 640.

DIS MANIBVS

L. NOVELL LAN

VCCVS C R AN L

NOVEL IVSTINA

FIL

F C

Lanuccus, a Roman citizen, aged fifty; Novellia Justina his daughter had this set up " (faciendum curavit). EE ix, 1198.

172 [200].—Tombstone, 62" × D I S M
27", from the cemetery at Great PERVICAE FILIAE
Chesters, nearly a mile south of the fort. A figure, apparently of a little girl, stands in a niche; at the top of the niche is a cable moulding, with incised chevron and other ornaments above it; below is a sunk panel. The work is rough and unskilful both in design and in execution. Dis M(anibus) Pervicae filiæ. "To the memory of my daughter Pervica." The inscription has been otherwise read, for it has suffered by weathering, and the first line is indistinct; but there is really no doubt that the version here given is correct. The name is Celtic, and is probably the same as Pervinca, which is fairly common (cf. No. 178). C 743, LS 281.

173 [118]. — Tombstone with M D inscription in a sunk ansate panel, SATRIVS HONORATVS above which is a disc divided VIXIT AN into eight sectors, between two crescents. Risingham. 38" x 22". MIS. V. ME "In memory of Satrius Honoratus. SIBVS VIII who lived five years and eight months." The lettering inclines to the rustic type. The omission of n in mensibus is not an error in spelling, but records a change of pronunciation which affected the syllable ens in the Latin of the Middle Empire. C 1019, LS 617.

174 [136].—Tombstone, 35" × 21", from Low Benwell, on the line of the Vallum. "In memory of Publius Sermullius Martialis." The lettering is rough. EE iii, 314.

175 [224].—Tombstone of the Christian period, from Mertola in Portugal, in the form of a plain slab with a cross in a circle at the top and a column at each side, incised. At the beginning of the

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VIII KAL SEPTEM inscription is the Chi-Rho mono-BRES & ERA gram which stands for the name DLXXV & of Christ. "Simplicius, priest, servant of God; he lived fifty-nine years, and entered into rest in the peace of the Lord on the eighth day before the Kalends of September (i.e., August 25th) in the 575th year of the (Spanish) era (i.e., A.D. 537)."

C VALERIVS & C & VOL & **176** [69]. — Tombstone, TVLLVS & VIAN & MIL. $35'' \times 30''$, with gable top, LEG & XX V. V from Carvoran. Valerius Tullus, son of Caius, of the Voltinian tribe, a native of Vienna (i.e., Vienne on the Rhone), private in the Twentieth Valerian Victorious Legion." The lower part of the stone is broken off. C 794, LS 322.

177 [138*d*].—Base, $18'' \times 11''$, with ansate panel on front. The NIBVS VILIDEDIVS first five letters of the inscription HERES POSIIT. must have been cut on another stone, probably sculptured, which rested upon this. memory of Vilidedius; set up by his heir." Similar misspellings of the word bosuit are common. Found near East Matfen, two miles north of the wall; but said by Hodgson to come from Housesteads. C 574, LS 88.

. . . . N PR NTONIS VENOCARI 5.... NI OFERSIONIS ROMVLO SIMILI DALLI MANSVETIO SENICIONIS PERVINCE OVARTIONIS 10 HERES PROCRAVIT DELF INVS RAVTIONIS EX G S

178 [184].—Tombstone, $36'' \times 30''$, from Housesteads. It appears to commemorate a number persons: "In memory of ... [Fro]nto son of Venocarus, . . nus son Ofersio, Romulus son Alimahus, Similis son Dallus, Mansuetius of Senicio, Pervinca daughter of Quartio; erected by their heir, Delfinus son of Rautio, from Upper Germany." C 693, LS 197.

179-187.—The same, with the deceased's name lost.

179 [47].—Part, 50"×11", of a large tombstone, cut down to form a gatepost, from Risingham. Nothing consecutive can be made out, but the snatches of legible text (. . ae domini, per gelis das tenebras] or the like, qui sibi, tibi pro, Flaminius, . . e profund . . . [l]ucem volv[isse supremam] or the like, . . . [red]dere vitae) all point to a poem in hexameter verse, in the nature of an epitaph. C 1020, LS 609.

180 [80].—Fragment, $13\frac{1}{2}'' \times$ 11", of a tombstone from Risingham. The letters are well cut and quite unweathered, but the meaning is not clear, and the lettering has been suspected of being a modern forgery. C 1012, LS 624.

181 [111].—Fragment, 17" × 11", of a tombstone from Risingham. The letters of the first line are incomplete and uncertain, and the text cannot be restored with certainty. C 1022, LS 621.

182 [148].—Gable top, 13" × D. M 9", of a small tombstone, from MILES Corbridge. "In memory of a soldier of the Second August Legion . . . " The tops of the letters in line 3 are enough to identify the legion. The deceased's name either followed the statement of his rank and legion, or (more probably, since it always comes first on tombstones of the Empire) was absent. EE vii, 991.

183 [195].—Fragment, $18'' \times$ 18", of a tombstone from Rising-CCA ham. "In memory of . . . cca, VIXIT VITA

INII . . NSAE AEDOMINIR . IPERGELI . . . RVINII 5 IIQVI.SIBI . 111 . . 18 HFICI.NH QVEFRAG . TIBI PRO 10 RCE PRO FLAMINIVSO **EPROFVND** VCEMVOLV DEREVITAE

PS. AVG. C. E. H. ANNIS. J. C. XXIII. IVL ITIN

EI. TIAINEC RI, COMMVN. L. CELERITER. IVC VIXSIT. AN

LS 625.

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who lived a life . . . for thirty years ... " EÉ vii, 1088.

. . . . 1 VLI VS. HERES VIXI ANOS. XXX

184 [197].—Fragment, 18" x 15", of a tombstone from Risingham. "[In memory of So-and-so: erected by] . . . ulius his heir; he lived thirty years." The "t" of vixit has been omitted in error. C 1023,

RVTVS. DVL TIBVS SVIS ETVDINEM SIT ORD, FILIO SVBSTITVS

work instead.

185 [205].—Fragment, $16'' \times$ 14", of a tombstone from Risingham. The lower right-hand corner alone is preserved. It seems to represent a monument by one [(?)B]rutus "to his dearest parents" (dulcissimis parentibus suis) and to record the fact that since the son was prevented by ill-health from erecting the stone (per valetudinem sit impeditus) someone else was "substituted for the son," i.e., undertook the EE iv. 668.

186 [244].—Fragment, $10\frac{1}{2}'' \times$ IIIB 9½", of a tombstone, probably & LEVIS from Benwell. "[Si]t tib[i terra] levis," "may the earth lie light upon thee." C 540, LS 32.

187.—Fragment of a slab in which a round hole has been cut, perhaps with the intention of making a millstone of it. It bears in roughly-cut characters the numeral XLVIII, which suggests the age of the deceased, given on a tombstone. From Great Chesters. 12" x 7". EE ix, 1201, b.

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ΜΝΗΜΗΣ ΧΑΡΙΝ

188 $\lceil 13d \rceil$.—Fragment of a Greek tombstone in marble. found in a stone-mason's yard at South Shields, and probably brought from the Mediterranean in modern times as a curiosity. Above is a horseman throwing a spear; below, an incomplete inscription in a panel.

IV. INSCRIBED FRAGMENTS INCAPABLE OF BEING CLASSIFIED

189 [75]. — From Carvoran, IVS AGRIII $13\frac{1}{2}$ " × 11". ". ius Agripp[a, HAMIORY ... coh. i.] Hamioru[m]." For the First Cohort of Hamian Archers cf. No. 13. C 774. LS 328.

190 [40].—Said to come from Risingham, 12" x 6". The name N. EGNATIVS Egnatius, and a reference to a **aSTVRVM** regiment of Asturians, are alone legible. C 1028a, LS 631.

191 [26]. — From Rudchester, $10'' \times 6''$. The last line may con-OGENS tain the word [sol]vit, in which VITFELIC case the stone was a dedication. EE vii, 1014, LS 921.

192 [36c].—From Wallsend, . . . TICO $11'' \times 7''$. The whole may con-... PRAE ceivably have been a dedication to . . . VM Mars Cocidius by a prefect of the Wallsend cohort, the Fourth Lingones. EE ix, 1161.

193 [73].—Fragment, 11"×7", AVG. N from Great Chesters. The last CAEL. line seems to begin vicsit (vixit), VICS which suggests a tombstone of someone having some connection with the emperor (Augustus noster), perhaps a beneficiary (cf. No. 29) of the Imperial governor of Britain. C 742, LS 287.

194 [219].—Half, $13\frac{1}{2}$ " × 10", of a slab from Great Chesters. Possibly a tombstone: [D.] M. ... 10 [Sim]ilis, [opt]io, "in memory of Similis, an optio" (subordinate officer) or the like. EE ix, 1201a.

195 [115].—Part, $9'' \times 8''$, of a IMIL large slab with well-cut letters five ٧ inches high. This fragment comes from the first line of the inscription, which was an important one.

196.— From Great Chesters, $8'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$. EE ix, 1201, c.

197.— $7'' \times 6''$, perhaps v.s.[1.m.] **Vs** from the bottom line of an altar.

s 198.—11"×10", lower left-hand corner of a slab in coarse grit.

GDI. From Lanchester. EE ix, 1136.

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V. UNINSCRIBED ALTARS AND SLABS

- 199 [8].—Square columnar stone, not an altar, but some kind of pedestal. The sides and back are left rough; the back has at one time been intended for use as the front of an altar, and the ends of bolsters and the spout of a focus have been marked out on it.
- 200 [4].—Altar, $32'' \times 16''$, from Wallsend. The die is pierced by a hole, with grooves radiating from it. This seems to have been the first stage towards cutting down the altar into a millstone. LS 3.
- 201 [203].—Altar, 48" × 24", from Housesteads. Patera in wreath on right side, præfericulum on left. LS 174.
- 202 [35].—Altar, its face worn smooth and no trace of an inscription visible. Patera on right side, præfericulum on left. From Wark, on the North Tyne, where it was long used as a step in the stile at the foot of the Moot Hill. $35'' \times 16''$.
- 203 [45].—Unfinished altar, the focus not cut; $44'' \times 18''$. From Chester-le-Street.
- 204 [46].—Unfinished altar, 57" x 20"; the focus has never been cut, nor the bolsters shaped; it has been embellished in modern times with the initials of various persons, possibly cut while it was standing upside down

built into the garden wall of the old rectory (now demolished) at Gateshead. There is no trace of an ancient inscription and, judging by its unfinished state, there never was one. From Rudchester. LS 61.

- 205 [243].—Altar, 35" × 19", ornamented on front and sides with cable mouldings and swags. There may have been one line of inscription at the top of the die; if so, it has been purposely erased. Thought to have come from Housesteads.
- **206.**—Part of altar, $29'' \times 10'' \times 10''$. On one side a small winged figure supports a cornucopia.
- 207 [92].—Altar, $36'' \times 16''$. The mouldings of the capital have been trimmed down to square it for use as a building stone.
- 208.—Fragment of altar, $8'' \times 8''$, with a crescent onthe front of the capital and sunk panels on the front and sides of the die.
- 209 [227].—Small altar, $23'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$, chevron ornament on capital, patera on right, præfericulum on left. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). LS 698.
- **210.** [51].—Small altar, $25'' \times 7\frac{1}{2}''$, from the Mithræum at Rudchester.
- 211 [105].—Small altar, $14'' \times 7\frac{1}{2}''$. The focus is unfinished, showing that this stone was part of a maker's stock-in-trade.
- 212 [164].—Small altar, $14'' \times 9\frac{1}{2}''$; there is an ansate panel on the die and another on the base.
- 213 [162].—Small altar, $10\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 5\frac{1}{2}$ "; zig-zag ornament on base.
 - 214.—Small altar, $22'' \times 9''$, with arcading on base.
- 215.—Small altar, $13'' \times 6''$, with cable moulding round the die.
 - 216 [135].—Small altar, 24" × 9".
 - 217 [49].—Small altar, 16" x 8".
 - 218 [52].—Small altar, 21" × 10".

- **219** [53].—Small altar, $16'' \times 7\frac{1}{2}''$.
 - **220.**—Small altar, $7\frac{1}{2}$ " × 6".
- **221.**—Small altar, $9\frac{1}{2}$ " × 5"
- 222.—Small altar, $10'' \times 7''$.
- **223.**—Small altar, $9\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$.
- **224.**—Top of small altar, $12'' \times 7\frac{1}{2}''$.
- **225.**—Top of small altar, $7'' \times 6''$.
- 226.—Top of small altar, præfericulum on right side, patera on left. $8'' \times 6''$.
 - **227.**—Altar or pedestal (no focus), $10'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$.
- 228 [239].—Small altar, 16"×11". On the front, in a square-topped niche, a rudely-cut figure holds offerings beside an altar. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). LS 712.
- 229 [128].—Small altar, $9'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$. On the front, in a round-topped niche, is a figure, probably Mars; it appears to wear a helmet and to raise its right arm as if holding a spear. From Chester-le-Street.
- 230 [235].—Small altar, $8'' \times 5''$, with a horse in relief on the front. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). LS 697.
- 231 [232].—Small altar, $8\frac{1}{2}" \times 4\frac{1}{2}"$, with a toad in relief on the front. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). LS 694.
- 232 [233].—Small altar, $14'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$, with a toad incised on the front, and no focus. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). LS 695.
- 233 [234].—Small altar, $9\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$, with a toad incised on the front. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). LS 696.
- 234.—Small altar, $15'' \times 7''$, with a toad on each side of the capital, and chip-carving on the front.
- 235 [171].—Part of a very large ansate slab; this fragment (19" x 23") shows part of the characteristic ornament that filled the uninscribed ends of the slab.
 - 236 [22].—One corner, $18'' \times 17''$, of an ansate slab.

- 237.—Fragment of slab with part of vexillum, held by a soldier. The soldier's head is alone visible, to right of the pole carrying the vexillum. South Shields. $7'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$.
- 238 [166].—Fragment of sandstone, $8'' \times 7'' \times 4''$, with band of chip-carving; perhaps from an inscribed slab.
- 239 [85].—Part of a slab which originally had an inscribed panel in the centre, and on each side a "pelta-shaped" ornament and a supporter. This fragment includes the left-hand ornament with its supporter, a winged Victory with her left foot on a globe. First noticed in the early eighteenth century in the front of an old house at Corbridge; it came originally, no doubt, either from the Roman town of Corstopitum or from Halton Chesters. $3' \times 2'$ 6". LS 650.

VI. INSCRIPTIONS NOT ON STONE

- N.B.—Potter's marks, whether on Samian or on coarse pottery, are not catalogued here.
- 240.—Tile with stamp COH V Gallorum. Another, COH V broken off.
 - 241.—Tile with stamp N CO . . . retrograde.
- 242.—Tile with stamp LEVL... perhaps Sixth Legion.
- 243.—Tiles (several) with stamp LEG VI V. The Sixth Legion lay at York from about 122.
- 244.—Tile with stamp LEG IX HISP. From York. The Ninth "Spanish" Legion was annihilated about 117.
- 245.—Tile with graffito TIPRIMVS (Titius Primus), the maker having written his name with a piece of stick while the clay was wet. From Cramlington.
 - 246.—Tile with graffito IVLI.
 - 247.—Tile with graffito . . . ERIAVS.

- 248.—Drain-pipe stamped LEG VI VI: "Sixth Victorious Legion."
- 249.—Bronze patella with the maker's name, DRACCIVS, on the handle. From Prestwick Carr.
- **249**a.—Bronze bowl, $9\frac{3}{4}$ " diameter, from Prestwick Carr, with two punctured inscriptions indicating that it belonged successively to a trooper called Senecio of the *turma* (squadron) of Tiro Crescentinus, and to one called Vannius of the squadron of Candianus.

(1) T TIRONIS CRIISCETINI SENECIONIS

(2) T KANDIANI VANNI

- 250 [13c].—Handle of a bronze vessel, 2½" long, with the inscription in niello: VTERE FELIX: "Good luck to the user of this." From South Shields.
- 251.—Bronze patera with inscription engraved in a circle round the central boss: APOLLINI ANEXTLO-MARO M A SAB: "Marcus Antonius Sabinus (or some such name, dedicates this) to Apollo Anextlomarus." The second name of the god reappears in Gaulish inscriptions. South Shields (Blair collection). EE vii, 1162.

VII. UNINSCRIBED SCULPTURES

- **252.** Æsculapius.—Lower part of figure in relief; left hand holds a stick with a serpent twined round it, right holds a patera over an altar. $14" \times 12"$.
- 253 [55].—Fortune?—Small female figure seated in armchair; in her left hand a cornucopia, by her right foot a wheel. Head broken off. From Carvoran. 21"×14".

254-255.—Genius.

254 [230].—Genius standing in a niche; legs draped, nude from waist up; cornucopia in left hand, patera in

right, sacrificing on an altar. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). 24" x 20".

255 [241].—Figure, facing, in niche; lower part draped, upper perhaps nude; apparently holding an object resembling a cornucopia in left hand, and perhaps sacrificing on an altar with right. Very rough work; probably intended for a genius. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). $13'' \times 9\frac{1}{2}''$. LS 711.

256-257.—Hercules.

256 [86].—Life-sized figure of Hercules in the round. Head and feet are gone; in his right hand he holds his club, in his left an apple of the Hesperides; the lion-skin is fastened round his chest and over his left shoulder, and his quiver is hung from a belt over the same shoulder. The statue originally came from Rudchester, but its immediate provenance is a garden in Pilgrim Street, Newcastle, where it stood for many years. It is 4' high from ankles to shoulder, and stands on a portion (1' 11" × 2' 6") of a moulded plinth or base 9" high. There seems no proof that this plinth belongs to the statue. The carving is coarse and heavy.

257 [159].—Legs of a relief of Hercules $(2' \times 1' \ 11'')$. He holds his club in his right hand, resting on the ground, and his lion-skin hangs down his left side. From Housesteads.

, 258 [172]. Jupiter?—Upper part of nude, bearded figure with cloak thrown over left shoulder, in niche under a shell canopy. Good work. The presence of cement on the line of fracture seems to show that another piece of the sculpture, now lost, has been joined to this in modern times. From Housesteads. 2' 2" x 1' 9".

259-263.-Mars.

259 [7].—Relief of soldier, headless. Right arm is raised, no doubt holding a spear; left hand supports the rim of his shield, which rests on the ground. Sword at left side. By his right foot is, apparently, an eagle, which would identify him as Mars. From Housesteads. $3'.4'' \times 2'$.

- 260 [54].—Torso of a soldier wearing corselet and cloak, with sword hanging at his left side. The left arm hangs down, the hand probably resting on the rim of a shield; the right is raised, probably holding a spear. Good work which has suffered from weathering. The figure is designed to stand in a niche, and probably represents Mars. From Corbridge, whence it came to the Society in 1831; whether it belonged to the Roman town there seems uncertain. 22" x 11".
- 261 [173].—Upper part of relief of a soldier (? Mars), facing, with spear in right hand and sword at right side, and wearing a helmet. Probably from Housesteads.
- 262 [156].—Lower part, from breast downward, of a soldier, perhaps Mars. He wears a cuirass terminating in three rows of flaps or scales; part of his shield is visible on his left side, and his right arm is raised, doubtless holding his spear. From Housesteads. 2' 6" x 1' 4".
- **263** [27].—Building-stone on which is rudely incised a warrior, perhaps intended for Mars, with a spear in right hand and a small round shield in left. $10\frac{1}{2}$ " × 6".

264-267.—Matres.

- **264** a, b, c [175, 179, 177].—A set of three Mothers from Housesteads, found by the stream east of the fort. They are skilfully designed and well executed. Their chairs are raised each on a separate plinth, and the three evidently stood, side by side, almost touching, on one base. The middle one, b [179], is 18" wide; the others are $16\frac{1}{2}$ " wide, and all stand about 38" high to the shoulder. All are headless. The variety in the design of their drapery marks a somewhat high level of artistic skill. See No. 296 for a head probably belonging to one of these statues.
- **265** a, b [178, 176].—Two Mothers, an incomplete set, from Housesteads. They are 36'' high to the shoulder, $19\frac{1}{2}''$ broad, and 16'' deep, a [178] is a good piece of work; the goddess is sitting in a wicker chair, and her drapery is well designed. b [176] is unfinished,

being merely roughed out of the block. See No. 297 for an unfinished head probably belonging to this group.

- 266 [13a].—Two Matres and part of the third, all headless; seated (not on separate chairs) and holding objects, no doubt baskets of fruit, on their laps. Much damaged. South Shields (Blair collection). 24" x 22".
- 267.—Round-topped stone with three figures in relief, side by side, probably intended for Mother-goddesses, as they seem to hold something on their laps. The stone terminated below in a panel, probably inscribed, now broken off. Stevens collection. 12" × 13".
 - 268-274. Mercury.
- 268 [50].—Relief representing Mercury, nude, with the end of his cloak over his left shoulder and the stump of the caduceus in his left hand; his head and right arm are gone. To left are the legs of a goat; beneath is a panel surrounded by a cable moulding and bearing a cock. Very good work. From Corbridge. 16" x 11". LS 649.
- **269** [9].—Mercury, nude, facing, with bursa in right hand and caduceus in left. A cloak is thrown over his left arm. At his feet is a ram, kneeling; above his left shoulder is a cock. Found in Newcastle, near the Castle, in digging the foundations of the High Level Bridge. $17'' \times 10''$.
- 270 [202].—Relief of Mercury, wearing petasus and carrying bursa and caduceus, found under the road between Halton Tower and Halton Colliery. 15" × 10".
- **271.**—Gable-topped stone with the figure of Mercury very rudely incised upon it. He holds the bursa over an altar in his right hand, and the caduceus in his left; the wings of the petasus are represented by two lines, like antennæ, upon the head. $8\frac{1}{2}$ × 6". From Great Chesters.
- 272 [168].—Portion, 14" x 10", of a gable-topped slab bearing a rude relief of Mercury, in winged petasus, with bursa-in right hand. From High Rochester. LS 587.

- 273 [228].—Small figure, apparently of Mercury, carved in the round, with disproportionately large head, which bears horns; these seem meant for the wings of the petasus, and the figure carries in its right hand what seems intended for the bursa, and, in its left, what seems intended for the caduceus. From Lanchester (Greenwell collection). $9\frac{1}{3}$ " × 7".
- 274 [57].—Stone with nude male figure, facing, in relief. It is horned, and holds in its right hand a spear-like object with a blunt head, and in its left a small object. At its right side stands an altar. It is so crudely designed that its purpose is uncertain, but it is probably meant for Mercury with bursa, caduceus, and winged petasus. Burgh-by-Sands, Cumberland, in digging the canal.
- 275 [36d]. Minerva.—Part of a slightly convex stone disc, $8\frac{1}{2}$ " in radius, with a face in relief in the centre. Though the hair is not noticeably snaky, it is clearly a Gorgon head in the middle of a shield, which therefore belonged to a statue of Minerva. To judge from the quality of this fragment, the statue was an exceptionally fine piece of work. From Wallsend.

276-277. Mithras.

276 [71, 72].—Several pieces of a large and well-executed relief from the Mithræum at Housesteads. It belongs to the regular type of reliefs depicting Mithras killing the bull, surrounded by various symbolic attendants: two torch-bearers in Phrygian costume, with torches held respectively upwards and downwards; a dog; a snake; and a scorpion. The fragments comprise both torch-bearers or "dadophori"; the foot of a dadophorus; the left shoulder of Mithras with the brooch fastening his cloak; part of his thigh with the fluttering edge of his tunic; his hand, grasping the sword which he plunges into the bull's neck; a foreleg of the bull; and the dog. Other fragments, showing part of the bull's head and one horn, seem to be missing. LS 192.

277 [70].—A large sculpture from the Mithraic cave at Housesteads. In the centre Mithras rises from a rock, holding a sword in his right hand and a torch in his left; round him are the signs of the Zodiac arranged in relief upon an elliptical frame. The top of the frame and the arms of the god are lost, but his hands appear on the frame at either side of his head. 4' 7" × 2' 6".

278 [157 and 158]. Neptune, Nymphs.—Relief (5' 2" × 2' 10") of Neptune, reclining, with a hole in the stone for a fountain; trident in his left hand; a dolphin in his right. Behind his feet are three partially-draped standing figures, apparently water-nymphs, but their sex is not evident. From Housesteads, where the relief probably served to adorn the main water-supply of the fort, which stood at the south-east corner and was supplied by an aqueduct. Gordon and Horsley saw fishes above the nymphs, but the breaking of the stone has entailed the loss of these. LS 170, 234.

279-282. - Victory,

279 [93].—Figure of Victory, facing, in high relief, within a niche; her right foot rests on a globe, her wings are outspread, and her skirts flutter round her as she flies. The arms, which stood out free from the stone, are lost, but the hands doubtless held a wreath and a palm-branch, possibly in metal. The hair is done in the fashion of the mid-second century. The relief was evidently built into the façade of some important building at Housesteads, where in the eighteenth century Stukeley saw it "lying in the meadow fronting the station." $4' 8'' \times 2' 6''$. LS 235.

280 [56].—Figure of Victory, in relief, standing on the ground; freshly alighted, with wings still outspread. Her drapery is violently agitated by her flight. An exceptionally graceful and spirited relief, with strong traces of South Gaulish influence in the treatment of the drapery. Formerly used as a building-stone in Stanwix church, and saved when the old church was demolished. LS 482.

- **281** [138g].—Figure of Victory, in relief, flying to the left. Probably from Halton Chesters (Blackett collection). $32'' \times 16''$. LS 102.
- 282 [100].—Globe 11" in diameter, on which rests the foot of a Victory, broken off at the ankle, with some drapery adhering. The bottom and back of the globe are flattened, showing that the Victory, though carved in the round, stood in a niche. The statue was evidently lifesized, and a very good piece of work. From Stanwix. 14" × 11". LS 483.
- 283 [10].—Niche, beneath which stands a draped female figure. In her left hand she holds a cornucopia, in her right an object which she is holding above a cask or basket, with the gesture of one sacrificing on an altar. Her feet, the bottom of the cask or basket, and the bottoms of the pillars supporting the canopy, have been cut away to receive a horizontal bar or the edge of a slab. Dredged out of the Tyne at Newcastle in 1884. I' $5'' \times 10''$.
 - 284-290.—Sepulchral Reliefs.
- 284 [81].—Full-length male figure standing in a niche, the head and feet broken off; clearly a tombstone. The deceased wears a tunic and fringed cloak. The work is vigorous and well designed, in an unclassical but effective style characteristic of the northern parts of Britain and derived from Gaulish models. From Housesteads. 3' $6'' \times 2'$ 4''. LS 241.
- 285 [84].—Part of a draped (male?) figure in relief, the head and legs broken off. The figure wears a tunic and cloak, and is evidently part of a tombstone with a full-length relief of the deceased, like the foregoing. From Housesteads; found in the low ground near the Mithræum. $29'' \times 20''$.
- 286 [88].—Full-length figure of a soldier standing in a niche under a shell canopy. He is dressed in a tunic, cloak and crested helmet; in his right hand he holds a small axe and in his left a bow; a quiver is slung at his

back and a dagger at his right side. On his left arm is a "bracer" to protect it against the recoil of the bowstring; a Roman bracer, found at Great Chesters, is preserved in the museum together with arrow-heads from Housesteads. He is clearly an auxiliary soldier, perhaps a private of the First Cohort of Hamian Archers, originally recruited in Syria, which formed the garrison at Carvoran. The stone must be a tombstone, and probably stood upon an inscribed base. From Housesteads. 3' 8" × 1' 11". LS 240.

- 287 [236].—Fragment of relief. A cavalryman in crested helmet and cloak stands in front of his horse, which he holds by the bridle. The horse's head appears over his right shoulder. Lanchester (Greenwell collection). 16" × 14". LS 714.
- 288 [150].—Fragment, 19" x 18", of a tombstone from Corbridge. The deceased is represented, with another person, reclining on a couch such as the Romans used at meals; the relief is an example of the so-called "funeral banquet" tombstones.
- 289 [229].—Part of a tombstone, with "funeral banquet" relief. A man (the deceased) reclines on a couch, facing, with his right elbow raised as if taking food. From Warriors Bridge, a mile east of Lanchester; Greenwell collection. 19" x 29".
- **290** [66].—Upper part of a relief, probably sepulchral, from Housesteads. A figure with a cloak over its left shoulder stands in a niche. 13" × 10".
 - 291-315.—Fragments of figure sculpture.
- **291.**—Torso of male figure in the round, partly draped. The drapery is gathered into a roll round the waist and thrown over the left shoulder. $20'' \times 15''$.
- **292** [167].—Female torso, draped, $10'' \times 7\frac{1}{2}''$. It has stood in a niche, and held a cornucopia or palm-branch in its left hand.
 - 293.—Head wearing a high radiate crown, of the kind

often worn by emperors on coins. The lower part of the face is lost. $10'' \times 7''$.

- 294 [34a].—Head of a colossal statue, in laurel wreath; the lower part of the face is broken off. The features, with protruding eyeballs and hooked nose, seem intended to be grotesque. The work is of good quality. From Carvoran. 11" × 10".
- **295.**—Small female head, the hair in small curls pressed tightly to the head. $8'' \times 5''$.
- **296** [220c].—Female head in the round, nose and chin broken. The back is flattened, showing that the statue stood in front of a wall or within a niche. The hair is in the style of the mid-second century. It appears to belong to one of the three Mother-goddesses (No. 264) found at the same site, and, like them, is of good design and workmanship. From Housesteads. $11'' \times 7''$.
- 297 [220f].—Female head, unfinished; the blocking out of the hair proves that it was to have been executed in the style of the mid-second century. In period and style this head resembles No. 296, and almost certainly belongs to one of the unfinished group of Mothergoddesses of which two are preserved in this Museum (No. 265). From Housesteads. $9'' \times 6''$.
- **298** [220b].—Bearded head, with short curly hair and beard. $9'' \times 6''$.
- 299 [220a].—Bearded head. The face is flat and badly modelled; the back is flattened, showing that the statue was intended to stand against a wall or in a niche. $15'' \times 12''$.
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- 320 [138h].—Lion, lying down, with head raised; bad work, clumsy in design and execution. From Matfen Hall (Blackett collection); originally, perhaps, from Halton Chesters. 3' long, 18" high.
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- **352.**—Stone coffin, $4' \times 2'$, with coped lid, found in Hanover Square, Newcastle. It contained human bones and a Castor vessel; the latter is now in case C in the centre of the first-floor room.
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