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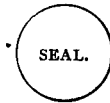
SIR,

Your Present, on behalf of the Berks Archaeological and Architectural Society, of Rules (1880); Annual Reports and Lists (Session 1882-83 and Session 1883-84); Transactions 1879-1880, 1880-1, 1881-1882; and Quarterly Journal, No. I, April, 1889; has been duly received, and it is my agreeable duty to convey to you the Thanks of the President, Council, and Fellows of the Society of Antiquaries of London for your kindness in thus contributing to promote the objects for which the Society is incorporated.

I am, Sir,

Faithfully yours,

W. H. ST. JOHN HOPE,
Assistant-Secretary.



To REV. P. H. DITCHFIELD, M.A.,
Hon. Sec. of the Berks Archaeological Society.

DISCOVERY OF ANCIENT COINS.—A singular discovery of a large number of York coins was recently made at Neville's Cross, in the North of England, and the find has excited a good deal of interest among numismatists. The coins, all of silver, number about 300, and were discovered in an urn. A young man named Markey was bird's-nesting near Neville's Cross, and near the foot of a tree saw what appeared to be a pot sticking out of the ground. In picking it up it smashed and a number of coins fell to the ground. Taking them first to be checks, he afterwards found out what they really were, and sold about 40 at Durham, where they were melted down. Others he took to a town councillor of Durham, Mr. Fowler, who, perceiving that they were English and Scotch coins in a good state of preservation, bought them at a fair price. The rest, with a portion of the urn, were secured by Mr. George Neasham, of the Durham University. The urn is about 9in. high, and of mediæval workmanship. The coins are groats, half-groats, and pennies of the two Scottish Kings, Robert Bruce and David II, and the first of the Edwards of England, and are believed to be associated with the battle between the English and Scotch armies in 1346.—

Reading Mercury.