

The following paper was read :—

NOTES, HISTORICAL AND ANTIQUARIAN, RELATING TO LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE.* *By J. Harris Gibson, Esq., Honorary Curator.*

March 20th, 1879.

J. G. JACOB, Esq., Hon. Treasurer, in the Chair.

The following objects were exhibited :—

By J. Harris Gibson, Esq.

1. A large silver medal, Liverpool Botanic Gardens, shewing bust of Charles Linnaeus.
2. A sterling of John II, Count of Hainault (13th century), found on the Meols Beach.
3. A rare Irish token, issued by Thomas Fisher (circa 1690).
4. A Liverpool Poll Book—Canning, Gascoyne, and the Earl of Sefton's Election, 1818.

By Charles T. Gatty, Esq.

An Ancient Deed, referring to Delinquents and Recusants in Cheshire during the reign of Charles II; the following reading of which was kindly given by Alfred Scott Gatty, Esq. :—

CHARLES the Second by the grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland defender of the faith &c. To the Receivo' gen'all of our Revenues comeing of the estates of Delinquent and popish Recusants in our County of Chester, greeting—Whereas you stand charged in yo' Accompt wth the yearely rent of cxli for the ffarme of the demesne lands late of John Moore decd Delinquent wth the appurtences scituate lyng and being in Chelwell with divers old Rents there in o' County aforesaid now or late in the tenure or occupation of John Lawrenson or his Assignes soe to him lett from yeare to yeare under the yearely rent aforesaid which for the halfe yeare ended the 25th day of March 1660 is lvli As by a Constat thereof under the hand of Wm Chislett Deputy Audito' of the Revenues of the said County remayning in the custody of this Remembranc' appeareth. Neverthelesse for certaine causes the Barons of our Excheqr now moveing Wee comand you that you forbear to make any demand or demands for the said Rent or to take any distresse or distresses for the same charged to be ene as abovesaid. And if you have leyved the same or any other Arrears of the said Rent wch are remayning in yo' hands and not yet answered unto Us That you by force of these presents restore the same unto John Moore gent or his Assignes And Wee will see yt you shalbe thereof discharged upon yo' Accompt as is just. Witnesse Sir Orlando Bridgman Knt and Baronett at Westm' the xijth day of July in the xijth yeare of our reigne. Bye Rolle of Remembrances of the

* *Transactions*, p. 67.

same yeare Trinity Record the . . . Rolle [in a certaine proces there touching John Moore gent who hath pleaded in discharge of the p'misses abovementioned] And by the Barons. OSBORNE.

By J. G. Jacob, Esq.

1. A rare and valuable Aureus of Tiberius and Agrippina.
2. A unit or Broad, value twenty shillings, of Charles I.

The following paper was read —

A CENTURY OF RECUSANCY, ILLUSTRATED FROM THE RECORDS OF THE BLUNDELLS OF CROSBY, Part I.* *By the Rev. T. E. Gibson.*

April 3rd, 1879.

The Rev. R. R. MOORE, M.A., in the Chair.

The following object was exhibited :—

By Joseph Mayer, Esq., F.S.A.

A well-preserved Roman coin, found by Mr. Thomas Johnstone whilst excavating a cellar for a house he was about to build in a field near Bebington Church in 1876. On the obverse is the emperor with radiated diadem, around which is the inscription—IMP. P. LIC. VALERIANVS. P. F. AVG. On the reverse side are two figures, Valerian and Gallerian, standing and offering sacrifices at an altar, with the inscription—PIETAS AVGG(ustorum). The coin is a denarius (billon) of Valerian, and interesting from its having a hole pierced through it, and may have been used as a pendant ornament for the neck by a Saxon lady.

The following paper was read :—

ON THE EXCAVATIONS AT CARANDA, IN FRANCE. *By Joseph Smith, Jun., Esq.*

April 17th, 1879.

F. J. BAILEY, Esq., Vice-President, in the Chair.

The following objects were exhibited :—

By Charles T. Gatty, Esq.

1. Wooden one-handled tankard or cup, encased in a thin coat of bronze, and with a bronze handle attached, ornamented with Late Celtic designs: No. 6384 in the Mayer Collection. The late Mr. Albert Way, in the *Archæological Journal*, vol. xxvi, p. 65, speaks

* *Transactions*, p. 33.