

and a farthing of James II. These were all found on the beach at Leasowe, along with various other coins, principally guineas, on the 23rd of September, 1834. It was conjectured that they had formed part of the treasure in the ships of William III., which sailed from Hoylake for Ireland, in 1690. The box was constructed of solid oak from the Submarine Forest, and bore on its inner margin the following version of a local tradition,

*From Birkenhaven unto Hilbree
A Squirrel might leap from tree to tree.*

The following communications were then received:—

I.—NOTICE OF AN ANCIENT FIGURE OF ST. GEORGE AND THE DRAGON.

By John James Moss, Esq.

An etching and description of this very interesting piece of sculpture, will appear in the next number of the Proceedings.

II.—INSCRIPTION* ON THE GRAVE STONE OF A BLACKSMITH IN THE CHURCH YARD OF ALDERLEY, AT THE WEST END OF THE CHURCH.

By Richard Brooke, Esq., F.S.A.

In memory of John Henshall, of Nether Alderley, who died Dec. 25th, 1844, aged 77 years.

My sledge and hammer lie declined,
My Bellows too have lost their wind,
My fire's extinct, my forge decayed,
My vice is in the dust all layed,
My coal is spent, my iron gone,
My nails are drove, my work is done,
My fire-dried corpse lies here at rest,
My soul smoke-like soars to be blest.

III.—A REMARKABLE HAND-BILL, ISSUED IN THE YEAR 1805, BY A LIVERPOOL PERSON, SAID TO HAVE BEEN AN UPHOLSTERER AND CABINET MAKER.

By Richard Brooke, Esq., F.S.A.

This broadside was an extraordinary specimen of the art of puffing; and exhibited great skill and ability in the addresses to the various classes of customers.

* This epitaph is several centuries old; it is found in various Church-yards throughout the country, as well as in printed books.