

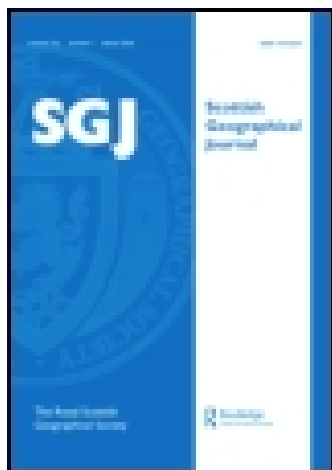
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LIST OF OBJECTS

SHOWN AT THE

FRANKLIN COMMEMORATION MEETING, EDINBURGH,

ON 4TH JUNE 1895, AND ON SUBSEQUENT DAYS.

THE objects, which included relics of the Franklin Expedition, and of the Search Expeditions, and others connected with life in the Arctic regions, whaling and sealing, were kindly lent to the Council by the Ladies and Gentlemen, and Institutions, whose names are given below :—

BY THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION, London.

Lieutenant Irving's Medal.

BY MR. R. C. BELL, W.S.

'Memoirs of Lieutenant Irving,' by Benjamin Bell, F.R.C.S.E. (*Presented to the Society.*)

BY MISS SCOTT MONCRIEFF, Joppa.

Silhouette portrait of Lieutenant Irving. Sketch of cairn erected to his memory at Point Victory. Print representing his funeral. Photograph of his tomb in the Dean Cemetery.

BY MR. JOHN J. W. CAMPBELL.

Stuffed penguin and skull of seal from the Antarctic seas.

BY MR. W. G. BURN-MURDOCH.

Selection of his Antarctic sketches (twenty-five in number).

BY MRS. SOUTTER, Kirkcaldy.

Ten Arctic sketches by Dr. A. D. Soutter ; model of an Eskimo kyak ; button with crest of Lieutenant Des Vœux, R.N., of H.M.S. *Erebus*. Relics of Captain Hall's expedition in the *Polaris*, 1871 :—Captain Hall's rifle ; two pairs of snow spectacles ; a Testament.

BY MR. ROBERT MILLIKEN, Kirkcaldy.

Eskimo bow and arrows. Cake of cocoa left in a cairn by one of the Search Ships, probably in 1850. Log of H.M.S. *Edinburgh*, 1833-35, kept by midshipman John Irving.

BY MR. HENRY, Gunmaker.

Large harpoon gun on stand, with harpoon ; shoulder gun, with lance.

BY MR. B. J. MALONEY.

Proclamation offering £20,000 for the discovery and relief of the Franklin Expedition. Play-bill and epilogue printed on board H.M.S. *Assistance*, Captain Ommaney, R.N., of Captain Austin's Search Expedition, 1851. Form of record to be left in cairns.

BY COLONEL MURRAY of Polmaise Castle.

Two Arctic Discovery medals.

BY THE ALBERT INSTITUTE OF LITERATURE, SCIENCE, AND ART, Dundee. Mr. John Maclauchlan, Secretary.

Sledge used by Captain Kennedy of the *Prince Albert*, sent out by Lady Franklin in 1851; tin case and papers left by him at Prince Regent Inlet in 1852, and found in 1875 by Captain Kilgour of the *Polynia*. Tin of meat left by Sir James Ross's Search Expedition, 1848-49, and found by Captain Soutter of the *Intrepid*, 1874. Knife found on Beechey Island, probably belonging to the Franklin Expedition. Relics of an Eskimo party which perished in Elwyn Bay. Two Eskimo knives (ivory); pair of snow spectacles; Eskimo harpoon. Harpoon taken from a whale in 1894, which had been imbedded in it for at least thirty-seven years. Two stuffed Antarctic seals.

BY MR. DAVID BRUCE, Dundee.

Harpoon gun with stand; harpoon and tackle; two hand-harpoons; three bomb lances; a whale lance.

BY MR. ROBERT KINNES, Dundee.

Two tins of meat left at Port Leopold to relieve Sir John Franklin's Expedition, and brought home by Captain Soutter of the *Intrepid*, 1874. Four sealskins.

BY MR. JOHN ALLEN BROWN, London.

(1) Relics of Captain Weddell, R.N., and of his Antarctic voyages, 1820-24 :—

Captain Weddell's portrait and seal; log of the *Beaufoy*; three ms. charts; autograph letter and two sketches by Captain Weddell; and other documents relating to him. (*Presented to the Society.*)

(2) Relics of Sir James Ross's Antarctic Expedition, 1839-43, with H.M.S.S. *Erebus* and *Terror* :—

Placard offering double pay to petty officers and seamen. Sheet of copper torn from the *Erebus* in a storm. Portrait of Dr. M'Cormick of the *Erebus*. Play-bill on satin, 1841. Coal from Kerguelen Island.

(3) Relics of Sir Edward Belcher's Franklin Search Expedition, 1852-54 :—

Play-bill of the *Resolute*, Captain Kellett, C.B. Vane and line left by the Franklin Expedition on Cape Riley, and three stones from the cairn.

BY MR. ROBERT HENRY JOHNS.

Arctic Discovery medal granted in virtue of the services of his father, who perished with Sir John Franklin.

BY ADMIRAL A. H. MARKHAM.

Eight chromo-lithograph copies of pictures by Lieut. Cresswell, R.N., illustrating the cruise of the *Investigator*, under Captain Sir Robert M'Clure, when searching for Sir John Franklin. Engraving of the "Arctic Council" held in 1847 to consider the route along which search for Franklin should be directed.

BY PROFESSOR COPELAND.

Model of Eskimo kayak. Model of the *Germania*. Two ice spurs for climbing smooth ice; and two charts of Greenland coast.

BY DR. BUCHAN.

Ten volumes relating to the Arctic regions.

BY ADMIRAL SIR LEOPOLD M'CLINTOCK.

A 4-man sledge used by him during his successful voyage in the *Fox*, 1857-59,

to determine the fate of Sir John Franklin's Expedition. Model of a 10-man sledge used on the same occasion. Medallions of Sir John Franklin and Sir James Ross.

By MR. JAMES SPENCE.

Two letters written by Sir John Franklin.

By SIR WILLIAM TURNER (from Museum of Comparative Anatomy, Edinburgh University).

Skulls of walrus, musk ox, polar bear, and white whale ; and three heads of deer.

By MR. DAVID MACRITCHIE.

Models of Eskimo umiak and kayak, and a narwhal tusk.

By MRS. RAE.

Portraits of Sir John Franklin, Dr. Rae, and Sir George Simpson, Governor of the Hudson Bay Territory.

By MR. G. H. JOHNSTON.

Captain Scoresby's drawing instruments. Chart of the Arctic seas, 1854. (*The chart has been presented to the Society.*)

By MR. D. ALEXANDER, Dundee.

Three narwhal tusks.

MR. FRED. C. STEPHEN, Dundee.

Stuffed Polar bear, polar bear's head, walrus head, and seal. Model of an Eskimo canoe and fishing implements. Eskimo bow and arrows in case ; and six sealskins.

By MESSRS. D. LIVIE AND SONS, Dundee.

Photograph of a whale boat.

By THE ARBUTHNOT MUSEUM, Peterhead. Mr. R. Robertson, Hon. Secretary.

A large and valuable collection of objects connected with Eskimo whaling and fishing, and with Eskimo dress, industry, and ornament. Models of canoes, Eskimo kayak, snow shoes, lances and spears, bows and arrows, and dog reins. Model of a whale boat ; harpoons ; stocking worn by Captain (Sir James) Ross in the Polar regions ; seal club ; portion of Franklin stores from Davis Strait ; and many other articles.

By DR. D. WALKER, late Surgeon-naturalist of the *Fox*.

Portraits of himself and Lieutenant Schwatka. (*Presented to the Society.*)

By MR. ALEX. CARMICHAEL.

Two water-colour sketches taken in the Arctic Seas by Lieutenant John N. Anderson, R.N.

By REV. JAMES DRUMMOND, Bannockburn.

Franklin's narrative of his second expedition to the Polar Sea, 1825-27.

Memoir by Dr. (Sir John) Richardson on fishes and plants found in Arctic waters, with figure of "Tripe de roche."

By MESSRS. NICOL & JACK, Dundee.

Harpoon gun, with harpoon ; common whale lance ; gun with explosive lance ; and a burst explosive lance.

BY THE FREE PUBLIC MUSEUM, LIVERPOOL. Dr. H. O. Forbes, Director.

Objects collected by Dr. David Walker, naturalist on the *Fox* :—

(1) Franklin Relics.

A prayer-book, three knives, seven buttons, two pairs of scissors, a piece of canvas, thong from an officer's boot, fragment of sulphur from a seaman's jacket pocket—all from a boat belonging to the Franklin Expedition, found on the shores of King William's Land.

Piece of lint and an English farthing of 1839, from the medicine chest found at Point Victory.

Knife, with bone handle, made by Eskimo from a cutlass belonging to the Franklin Expedition.

Bow, bound with sinew, and two iron-headed arrows, made by Eskimo from the wood of one of the Franklin ships.

Spoon, the bowl made from a musk-ox horn and the handle from the wood of one of the Franklin ships.

An exact tracing of the record of the Franklin Expedition found in a cairn at Point Victory ; framed in wood made from the Franklin boat found on the shore of King William's Land, with a piece of copper from the same.

(2) Other Objects.

Seaweed on paper, collected by Captain Crozier, R.N., Franklin's second-in-command, at the Falkland Islands, during Ross's Antarctic voyage, and so labelled in Captain Crozier's handwriting.

Model of an Eskimo in his kayak, made by a Greenland Eskimo.

Eskimo comb and small implement of walrus ivory.

Small stone box containing brown sugar, deposited by Sir Edward Parry at Fury Beach in 1824, and used by the M'Clintock Expedition in 1859.

By MR. W. G. T. WATT, Stromness.

Copy of a statement made to Lady Franklin by a sailor of the *True Love* whaler, with sketch of the position of Franklin's ships as indicated by an Eskimo.

Letter of June 1845, from Mr. Ross, Solicitor, Stromness, regarding the attestation of Sir John Franklin's papers.

By MR. THOMAS BONNAR.

Five water-colour drawings of scenes in the Arctic regions, by J. C. Wintour, made from sketches taken by Dr. R. A. Goodsir in 1851-52.

Captain Kellett's report to the Admiralty of his expedition with the *Herald* and *Plover* in search of Sir John Franklin in 1849 ; reprinted from *The Times* of 24th and 25th January 1851.

Part of a letter, dated 20th May 1851, from Dr. Robert Goodsir, with sketch of coastline as seen from the *Lady Franklin*.

Portions of Dr. Goodsir's MS. account of the *Advice* Expedition.

Twelve pencil sketches by Dr. Goodsir. Print showing view of the "Devil's Thumb," from Dr. Goodsir's sketch. Engraved portrait of Sir John Franklin. Portraits of the principal officers of the *Erebus* and *Terror*. Map showing the course of the *Fox*. Draft of an address by Dr. Goodsir to the crew of the *Advice*. Two messages left in cairns by Captain Penny of the *Advice*, and other documents.

MS. by Dr. R. Goodsir, entitled "Franklin's Fate, by an Old Arctic Man."

By THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

North Polar Chart.

By MESSRS. RUSS AND WINKLER.

Skin of Polar bear.

By MR. W. B. WILSON, W.S.

Drawing of Lieutenant Irving's tombstone.

By MISS GILROY, Dundee.

Pieces of chocolate and tobacco left in a cairn by Sir J. Franklin's expedition.

By THE UNIVERSITY COURT, UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH—THE RAE COLLECTION.

1. Franklin relics found by Dr. Rae in 1854, being some of those for which he and his men received the Government reward of £10,000, as having been the first to ascertain the fate of the expedition. They consist of a silver spoon and silver fork which belonged to Sir John Franklin, a silver fork which belonged to Captain Fitzjames, three parts of watches, three coins, a gilt button, and an anchor ornament.

2. Personal relics of Dr. Rae :—gold watch, worn on his expeditions ; Arctic Discovery medal, with clasps for 1846-47, 1848, 1849, 1850-51, and 1853-54 ; gold medal awarded by the Royal Geographical Society ; needle-case ; books ; copy of Shakespeare and a book of sacred poems, which accompanied him on his journeys ; moccasins.

3. Dr. Rae's collections, consisting of Eskimo spoons, knives, canoes, bows and arrows, war club, stone lamp, North American Indian dresses, carved stone plates and stone implements, pipes, charms, hunter's rattle, medicine men's rattles, etc.

By MRS. HARGRAVE.

North American Indian dresses, knives, bows and arrows, tomahawk, pipe-bowls, snake-charms, powder-horn, models of canoes, and photograph of Dr. Rae.

By MR. JOHN MACLAUCHLAN, Dundee.

Medal belonging to Dr. Alexander M'Donald, R.N., Surgeon of the *Terror*, recovered by Sir Leopold M'Clintock from the Eskimo of Boothia in 1859, and sent to Mrs. Mollison, Dr. M'Donald's sister, with a letter from Lady Franklin, which accompanied it.

Book of autographs with Sir John Franklin's signature.

By MR. ANDREW WYLIE, Stromness.

Letter to A. I. Wylie, thrown overboard from the *Prince Albert* in 1851, by Captain Kennedy. Letters to A. I. Wylie, written, three by Lady Franklin, three by Miss Craicraft, and one by Captain Kennedy.

By PROFESSOR CHIENE.

Documents left by the late Dr. Robert Goodsir, among which are the following :—

I.—*Letters relative to Dr. Harry Goodsir of the Franklin Expedition.*

1. Letter from Earl of Haddington, dated 13th June 1844, to Lord William Douglas, stating that there would be no Arctic Expedition. Lord William had written on behalf of Harry Goodsir, who had offered his services.

2. 3. Letters, dated 24th January and 24th February 1845, to Harry Goodsir from Edward Forbes, the eminent naturalist. In one letter Forbes says : "Dear Harry,—I have had Sir John Franklin spoken to. I am advised to be easy. If you go, it must be as assistant-surgeon—so be prepared." Dr. Harry Goodsir was, in March 1845, appointed acting assistant-surgeon of H.M.S. *Erebus*, and thus sailed with Sir John Franklin. He left Edinburgh for London in March 1845, to join his ship.

II.—*Dr. Harry Goodsir's Letters* (thirty in number) from H.M.S. "*Erebus*."

He writes to his father (John Goodsir, Largo Manse, Fife) from Greenhithe, on the evening of 19th May 1845: "We are just starting, and I take this last opportunity of writing you from England." The course of the *Erebus* is described in other letters, as follows: on 23rd May she was off Aldborough; on the 31st May she was at Stromness; on 3rd June she was "about 60 miles to the north-west of Stromness, off the Stack Rock"; on 28th June in Davis Strait, lat. 63°; on the 30th June in Davis Strait, "crossing the Arctic Circle"; on 2nd July off the island of Disco, Baffin's Bay; and on 12th July 1845, off Whale Fish Islands. Here the letters end.

III.—*Letters from John Goodsir*, of The Manse, Largo, to his son Harry, in June 1844, and a letter relative to Harry from his brother John, afterwards the celebrated Professor of Anatomy in Edinburgh University, dated 19th August 1845.IV.—*Letters of Dr. Robert Goodsir*, of two Franklin Search Expeditions.

Robert, a brother of Harry Goodsir, was Surgeon on board the Franklin Search Ships *Advice* and *Lady Franklin* (Captain Penny). The letters are from the *Advice* off Cape Walter Bathurst, lat. 74°, 2nd August 1849; and Home Bay, "west side of Baffin's Bay," 68° 30', 21st and 22nd August 1849. Others are from the *Lady Franklin*, off Stromness, on 12th March 1850; off the island of Disco, Baffin's Bay, lat. 69°, 2nd May 1850; and Frow Island, lat. 73° 20' N., 30th June 1850.

V.—*Dr. Robert Goodsir's MS. Account of the Search Expedition in the "Advice."*

The *Advice* sailed from Stromness on 17th March 1849. Goodsir writes (no date given): "At last, after months of hopes, fears, and disappointments, we are fairly under weigh for Lancaster Sound. God grant that we may see or hear something of them!" (Sir John Franklin's ships).

VI.—*Printed Matter*, including—

1. A playbill of the "Royal Arctic Theatre," 28th February 1851, on board H.M.S. *Assistance* (Franklin Search Ship), in which Mr. Clements R. Markham (then aged 21, and now P.R.G.S.) played in *Charles XII*. This bill was printed on board ship.

2. James Wyld's Chart of the Arctic Regions, dedicated to Lady Franklin (no date).

3. *The Daily Scotsman* of 24th September 1859, containing the official report, dated 21st September 1859, of Captain F. L. M'Clintock, R.N., who commanded the yacht *Fox*, despatched to the Arctic regions at the expense of Lady Franklin. Captain M'Clintock brought home two cases containing relics of Franklin's Expedition, and the record, found at Point Victory, dated 25th April 1848, and signed by Captains Crozier and Fitzjames, wherein the death of Franklin on 11th June 1847 is recorded, and it is stated that the *Erebus* and *Terror* were abandoned on 22nd April 1848, and that the survivors (105 souls) were on their way to the Great Fish River. *All perished*.

(All the above documents have been presented by Professor Chiene to the Society.)

VII.—*Portrait of Dr. Harry Goodsir taken the day before he sailed in the "Erebus."*

BY CAPTAIN SHAW KENNEDY.

A walrus tusk, walrus bone, stuffed reindeer head, and three nodules of ironstone.

BY PROFESSOR JAMES GEIKIE.

Specimens of basalt from Dundee Island, Antarctic Ocean.

Many of the smaller and more valuable articles were exhibited in cases kindly lent for the occasion by Messrs. Dowell, 18 George Street, Messrs. Jas. H. Smith & Co., 79 George Street, and Messrs. Ciceri & Co., 59 Frederick Street.

FRED. BAILEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROYAL SCOTTISH GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

APPOINTMENT OF AN HON. LIBRARIAN.

At a meeting of Council held on May 24th, the Hon. J. Abercromby was appointed Honorary Librarian in the room of the late Mr. John Gunn.

PRESENTATION OF POLAR RELICS TO THE SOCIETY.

As a result of the exhibition held in connection with the Franklin Commemoration on June 4th, several interesting and valuable collections have been presented to the Society, which is thus recognised as the fitting custodian of geographical relics of public interest. Among the objects thus acquired may be mentioned various relics of Captain Weddell, R.N., of Antarctic fame, presented by Mr. John Allen Brown, and a collection of documents presented by Professor Chiene, relating to Dr. Harry Goodsir, Assistant-Surgeon of the *Erebus*, who was lost with Sir John Franklin. These, with other gifts, such as portraits of himself and of Lieut. Schwatka, presented by Dr. D. Walker of the *Fox*; a memoir of Lieut. Irving of the *Terror*, presented by Mr. R. C. Bell; and a map of the Arctic regions, published in 1854, and presented by Mr. G. H. Johnston, form the nucleus of a geographical museum, which, it is hoped, will rapidly increase in size and importance.

MEMBERS IN ARREAR.

At a meeting of Council held on July 19th, the names of twenty-five members, whose subscriptions are more than two years in arrear, were removed from the roll of the Society under Law IX.

GEOGRAPHICAL NOTES.

By THE ACTING EDITOR.

EUROPE.

Geography at the Universities.—*The Geographical Journal* for July contains reports of the Reader in Geography at Oxford, the Lecturer in Geography at Cambridge, and the Owens College Lecturer. Mr. Mackinder delivered in the Michaelmas and Hilary terms courses of lectures especially intended for undergraduates reading for honours in history, and in the summer term a course to