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THE MINT OF GLOUCESTER.

A SUPPLEMENT.

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IN Vol. X., page 17, of the Transactions of the Society I gave an account of the Mint of Gloucester, with a catalogue of coins struck at the mint, and I offered it as a contribution from a new member. Having now severed my connection with the city and county, before taking leave of the Society, I venture to supplement my original paper by some additions to the list I then presented.

I hoped that the list of coins, struck at Gloucester, which I compiled would prove to be fairly exhaustive, but it was in the nature of things to expect that some additional information would from time to time come to light. I did not claim that the original catalogue was a complete one, but the addenda which I now have to make are by no means numerous.

The greater number of them are attributable to a visit which I paid on the 1st of October, 1888, to the Royal Cabinet of Coins, preserved in the Prindsens Palais at Copenhagen. The Gloucester pennies in that collection number 52 in all. As they were not arranged with any reference to Dr. Hildebrand's work, it was necessary to compare each with his plates, and to transcribe the legend of each coin in full. My time was limited, and only enabled me to catalogue 30 of the specimens, and I am greatly indebted to Mr. P. Hauberg, the courteous assistant Curator of the Coin Collection, who very kindly undertook to transcribe the remaining 20, which he has done with admirable exactitude.

To avoid unnecessary repetition, I have arranged the pieces under the numbers given in my original paper, with references to the "types" adopted by Hildebrand.

Æthelræd II.

No. 1

Hild. type A.

ÆÐELRED REX ANGꝝ
LEOFNILE ON LLEA

Copenhagen.

ÆÐELRED REX AN :
NIREÐ ON LLEAƷE :

do.

No. 2 b

Hild. type B. 2.

Obv.—King's bust to the right, filleted. In front a sceptre terminating in three pellets; all within a circle.

Rev.—Hand with outstretched fingers proceeding from a bow. A hook depends from either side of the bow; all within a circle.

ÆÐELRÆD REX ANGLLOꝝ
LEOFNILE M-O LLEA

Copenhagen.

This is a fresh sub-variety to No. 2.

No. 4

Hild. type D.

ÆDELRAED REX ANLO
LEOFNILE M-O LLEA

Copenhagen.

No. 5

Hild. type E.

ÆÐELRÆD REX ANGLꝝ
EODƷINE Mꝝ ON LLEAꝝ :

Copenhagen.

Cnut

No. 1

Hild. type E.

LNVT REX ANLLO (a pellet in the field).

BOLL(A) (O)N LLEY

Copenhagen.

LNVT R·EX A·NGL· (3 pellets in the field).

LGDYNE ON LLEY

do.

LNVT REX ANLLO

SIREO ON LLEYE

*do.*LNVT REX ANLLOR (ω before face).

SIREO ON LLEY

do.

LNVT REX ANLLO : (pellet before face).

SIREO ON LLEY

*do.*LNVT REX ANLLO \odot R (ω before face);NI: RED \odot N LLEY (cross and pellet in adjoining angles).*do.*

This is probably the same piece as that last described of this type in my original list, taken from Ruding, Plate D, fig. 30, the "habitat" of which I was unable to discover.

1 b

Hild. type E. d.

LNVT REX ANLLO

LGDRIE: ON LLEY·

Copenhagen.

The head is in a distinct quarterfoil.

LNVT REX ANLLORV :

SIREO \odot N LLEYVELL*do.*

A fresh moneyer of this type. The legends are of remarkable length.

No. 2*Hild.* type G.

ENV:T R·EX AN·

BOLLK O·N LLEVEJ·:

Copenhagen.

Badly struck, and rather illegible.

ENV.T R·EX πNLL

LODRILL: ON LL·EVEES

do.

E·NV.T ·R·E·X πN

L·E·OFSILE ON LLE·V·

do.

This is a fresh moneyer of this type.

ENV.T RELX.:

SIRE·D ON LL·EVEJ·:

do.

ENV.T R·ELX πN

SIRE·D ON LLEVEELE

*do.***No. 3***Hild.* type H.

ENV.T REL·+·:

SIRE·D ON LL·EVEJ·:

Copenhagen.

ENV.T R·EL·+· π·:

VVLNOÐ ON LLEVEJ·:

*do.***No. 4***Hild.* type I.

ENV.T ·REL·+·

VVEVERD ON LLEVEJ·:

Copenhagen.

ENV.T ·REL·+·

VVEVEVERD ON LLEVE·:

do.

This is almost identical with the piece already described in my original catalogue, and is perhaps from the same dies.

Harthacnut

No. 2

Hild. type B.

HARÐALNVT RE

LODRIC ON LLEVELE:

Copenhagen.

HARÐALNVT REX

LEOFNOÐ ON LLEVE:

do.

Eadward the Confessor

No. 1

Hild. type A.

EDYERD REX

LODRIC ON LLEVE

Copenhagen.

This is a fresh moneyer of this type. He appears to have been a moneyer at Gloucester under Cnut, Harold I., and Harthacnut. The name reappears at Gloucester on the Confessor's "Pax" coinage, *Hild.* type D. a.

No. 2

Hild. type B.

EDVE: RD REX

ÆLRIC ON LLEVI

Copenhagen.

This is also a fresh moneyer for this type. He too was a moneyer under Harold I. and Harthacnut, and, probably, as Ægelric, under Cnut. He struck under the Confessor, *Hild.* types D, E, and F. The regular recurrence of these names in this way is strong evidence that the sequence of types adopted by Dr. Hildebrand is correct.

No. 5

Hild. type E.

EDVE · RD REX:

GODRIC ON GLEVELE:

H. Montagu, Esq.

No. 6*Hild.* type F.

EDYERD REX

YVLFIT ON LLEYE

*H. Montagu, Esq.***No. 7***Hild.* type H. The "Sovereign" Penny.

This piece is a remarkable specimen, of very coarse, exaggerated workmanship. The *obv.* is 'negative' in every respect, and the lettering barbarous and blundered. I give the legend as it would read as a positive, showing that it appears to terminate in ANGLO. The *rev.* is 'positive'; but the martlets face one another in the upper quarters. The legend is also blundered, and the whole coins seems to point to Danish work.

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FDVI=I ON GLEYLI+

*H. Montagu, Esq.***No. 9***Hild.* type A.c.

EADYARD REX

LEOFINE ON GLEY

H. Montagu, Esq.

William I.

No. 2*Hawkins*, fig. 234.

WILLEMVS REX I

SILVE ON GLEYEE

H. Montagu, Esq.

A fresh moneyer of this type.

Henry I.

Hawkins, type 6, as figured by me.

hENRIEVS :

THVR . ON: GLOYEL : *H. Montagu, Esq.*

The name of the moneyer was perhaps Thurstan.

Hawkins, type 11.

On examining the two pieces of this type in the British Museum, referred to in my note, I find that one of them is almost unquestionably a Gloucester coin. The flan is small and the legend on the *rev.* is consequently cut away in parts. The first letter of the moneyer's name might be h, but is more probably B. Of the last two letters only the bottom stroke of an E, followed by the base of an I and a full stop are decipherable. There is no indication that the last letter was N, although "Badewen" was doubtless intended. My reading of the coin is

hENRIEVS

BADEWEI . ON GLO

Henry III.

"Long Cross" Coinage, without sceptre.

hENRICVS REX . III'

LVCAS DN GLOV

J.D.R.

This coin, obtained from a German dealer, was presented to me by Mr. Montagu. Beside the blundered ON on the *rev.*, it has very peculiar lettering. There is a piece exactly similar at Copenhagen.

hÆRICVS REX . III'

RICARD ON GLO

Copenhagen.