

And when the pipe grows foul within,
 Think on thy soul defiled with sin;
 And of the fire
 It doth require,
 Thus think, then drink tobacco.

The ashes that are left behind,
 May serve to put thee still in mind,
 That unto dust
 Return thou must;
 Thus think, then drink tobacco.

Most of the foregoing pages were already thrown off when the *Gateshead Observer*, of June 6th, 1857, reached me, with the following notice of proceedings at a meeting of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-on-Tyne. It may very fitly be appended as a note to this sketch, as sufficing to show the latest views of my friend, Dr. Bruce, on the antiquity of pipes and tobacco. It will be seen that he still speaks of the miniature Elfin pipes as *medieval*; but subsequent remarks seem to indicate that by this term he means the era of Queen Elizabeth, if not indeed that of the Revolution, though neither of them would be generally recognised as pertaining to the province of the medieval historian.

"A PAPER—OF TOBACCO."

"Dr. Bruce said, when the circular convening the meeting was issued, there was no paper in prospect, and he had therefore written a short one, not anticipating the many interesting communications which had filled up the meeting so agreeably. His paper was on the subject of the clay-pipes occasionally found in situations where we should only expect to find remains of a time long anterior to that of Sir Walter Raleigh. To this subject his attention had been turned, within the last few days, by a letter received from the Treasurer (Mr. Fenwick) from a mutual friend—Dr. Daniel Wilson, of Toronto. The Doctor wrote:—What says Dr. Bruce to the Roman tobacco-pipes now? Tell him I have got a crow to pluck with him for that. I got quoted from his pages, and held responsible for much more than I ever thought, said, or meant to say. Let him look-out for a mislive from the land of tobacco. The passage referred to, in his (Dr. Bruce's) second edition of 'The Roman Wall,' had, curiously enough, and vexatiously enough, been more quoted and translated, perhaps, than any other. It asked 'if smoking pipes must be numbered among Roman remains—such pipes, some of the ordinary size, others of pigmy dimensions, with intermediate sizes, having been found in Roman stations, in close association with remains of undoubted Roman origin.' Dr. Wilson was quoted on the subject, where, in his *Archæology of Scotland*, he speaks of 'Celtic,' 'Elfin,' or 'Daher' pipes, occasionally found under circumstances raising the supposition that tobacco was only introduced as a superior substitute for older narcotics. Dr. Bruce produced several specimens—one, a tiny bowl, dug