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## THE QUIGRICH.

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IN the year 1782, Mr. William Thompson, of Ohrst's Church College, Oxford, during a long vacation ramble in the highlands of Perthshire, was shown, at the village of Killin, on the banks of Loch Tay, the *Quigrich*, or crosier believed to have anciently belonged to St. Fillan, who has bequeathed his name to the neighbouring Strathfillan, at the head of Glendochart, as well as to other points of local interest in that district of Perthshire. The Earl of Buchan was then organising the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, which obtained a Royal Charter in the following year, and to him, accordingly Mr. Thompson communicated a notice of the curious relic, accompanied with a drawing, the rudeness of which he entreats the Society to excuse, it being only the hasty sketch of a traveller, meant to lead the Society to the possession of the original.\* But in this intention the intelligent tourist indulged in hopes which were not destined to realization; and when the communication was at length

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\* Transactions of Soc. Antiq. Scot. vol. iii, p. 289.