

The following notice of this slab is given by Mr. Wright, in "the Celt, the Roman, and the Saxon," p. 321 :—

"A monument found at Wroxeter (*Uriconium*) mentions an office, the exact character of which seems to be doubtful, though the *curator agrorum* or *agrarius*, may have been the overseer, or bailiff, of the town lands. The monument consists of a tablet in three columns or compartments; that in the middle contains an inscription to the officer; the one on the left has an inscription to the wife; the other is blank, and it has either been left so for a son, or has become erased. The central inscription is:—

D·M	To the gods of the shades.
DEVCCV	Deuccus
S·V·AN·XV	lived fifteen (?) years,
CVR·AG	he was overseer of the lands
RA TRE	of Trebonius. (?)

"The number of years is perhaps not correctly read from the stone, which seems to be in bad condition. The other inscription is:—

D·M	To the gods of the shades.
PLACIDA	Placida
AN·LV	lived fifty-five years,
CVR·AG	of the overseer of the lands
CON·I·A	she was the wife
XXX	thirty years."

Independently of the objections, that there is no authority for the office of *curator agrorum*, and that no account is taken of A in the 5th line of the central inscription, I am unable to perceive any grounds for passing over the obvious interpretation of CVR·AG scil. cur[am] ag[ente]. The form is found in many sepulchral inscriptions; and on p. 315 of Mr. Wright's work we have an example :—

CVRA[M] AGENTE  
AMANDA  
CONIVGE.

RATRE is evidently either FRATRE, the F and R being ligulate, or PATRE, the P having been mistaken for R.

In an able and timely\* summary of information relative to *Urioconium* by the Rev. H. M. Scarth, of Bath, which has recently been published in the *Journal of the Archaeological Institute*, this with

\* Wroxeter, in consequence of the discoveries which have lately been made there, is at present regarded with much interest by antiquaries, and "a well organized movement has at length been made for the exploration of the site of *Urioconium*."