

## REVIEWS.



FROM Messrs. Edmondstone & Douglas, 88 Princes Street, Edinburgh, we have received the prospectus, with specimen plate, of a work entitled, "*The Records of the Coinage of Scotland.*" This quarto volume, edited by R. W. Cochran-Patrick, LL.B., will no doubt prove of service in the elucidation of the history of an important series of the British Coinage.

— "*Issues of the Mint of the United States, Chronologically arranged and described,*" by W. S. Appleton, is the title of a small pamphlet of twenty pages, which we have received from the author. It is a reprint from the *American Journal of Numismatics*, and in this form it will no doubt become an authority with the collectors of American coins.

— "*Numismatic Chronicle.*"—Part IV. of this journal is to hand. Its contents are a continuation of the supplement to "Madden's Jewish Coinage," and an exhaustive article on the Metrology of "the Ancient Electrum Coins struck between the Lelantian Wars and the Accession of Darius." It gives a full "account of the rise and extension of the early electrum and gold currencies of the Greeks, both on the Asiatic and European sides of Aegean." This field, highly interesting to all Numismatists as the birth-place of money and of art, is almost inexhaustible. Even in those early days, the issue of the many cities of Greece and her colonies, gave tokens of that highly artistic coinage, in which there is constantly something new to every Numismatic student. Altogether the article is well worthy of perusal, and reflects credit on the research of Mr. B. V. Head, who is now an acknowledged authority in Greek Numismatics. From the introduction we quote that:— "The discovery not long since of a small number of electrum coins on the coast of the mainland opposite the island of Samos, has lead me to examine more minutely than I