

## REVIEWS.

*The Numismatic Chronicle and Journal of the Royal Numismatic Society*, 1905. Quaritch, London, 20s. (issued in four quarterly numbers at 5s. each, 8vo, paper covers).

Interesting to the collector as the pages of the *Numismatic Chronicle* are, the reviewer looks for something more. He, at the least, expects that those who write for the edification of others, have taken the trouble to keep themselves posted to date with the modern literature of their particular subjects. It is in this respect that the *Chronicle* is sadly wanting. The numismatic world has not stood still since *Ruding*, *Hawkins*, and the *British Museum Catalogue* were published, and yet in the British sections they are quoted over and over again in preference to anything of a modern character. For example, it is now some years since the first volume of the *British Numismatic Journal* was issued, and although it has illustrated and published thousands of British and Irish coins, it has not yet dawned upon the sleepy intelligence of the contributors to the *Numismatic Chronicle*, for not a single reference to its volumes has yet appeared. This is but one instance of the many that could be given to prove an absolute lack of energy on the part of those who would fain teach others what they know not themselves, but it is sufficient to show the diffidence one feels in essaying to review an old-fashioned Journal conducted on old-fashioned principles, and yet to do justice to its good intentions.

The *Chronicle* for the year 1905 devotes a larger share of its pages than usual to the subject of British numismatics, which includes the following :—

*A Recent Find of Roman Coins in Scotland*, by George Macdonald, M.A. During excavations at Gartshore, in the parish of Kirkintilloch, on the site of one of the stations of the Antonine Vallum, thirteen