

# Transactions

OF THE

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## OTHER CURIOSITIES.

Dr Cramond also submitted for the examination of the meeting a gage over a hundred years old for measuring the height of horses, which was also to be presented to the Museum. It was once the property of Lord Kames. Dr Cramond also exhibited to the meeting a drawing which belonged to Lord Monboddo, and which he (Dr Cramond) received from Captain Burnett of Monboddo. The case lends countenance to Lord Monboddo's well-known peculiar views. The back of the drawing bears the following:—“This drawing was made from one of the Byraghi caste, which caste of Indians support themselves by begging. He was born in Madura [in Madras Presidency], but his family belong to Manacoit (?), a village about 50 miles distant. There was nothing particular in the form of his parents, nor of a sister who is now alive and married. His form is very peculiar from the prominence of his belly, and from the small of his back grows a quantity of hair, which when combed has the appearance as in the

drawing. He is now eleven years old and six months, is a Fool, and travels about the country with some of his relations, who show him for money.—Madura, 30th Sept. 1786.”

At the close of a highly interesting meeting, the thanks of those present were, on the motion of Mr James Morrison, solicitor, cordially awarded to Dr Cramond for the papers he had read, and with a vote of thanks to the Chairman the meeting ended.