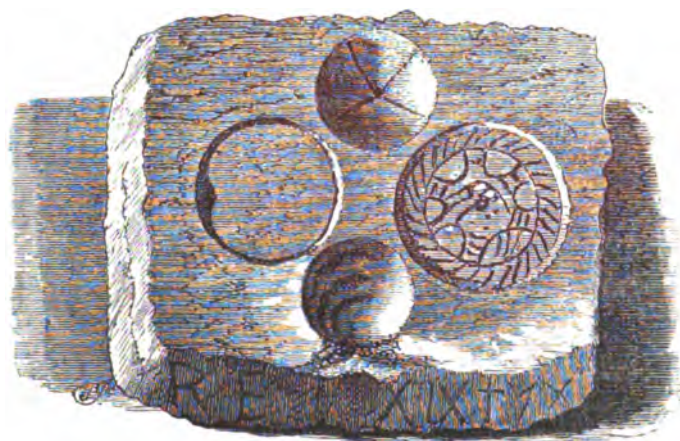


As there is no channel for admitting the molten metal, it may be supposed that they were intended for studs or buttons ornamented only on one side, but the letters on the edges of the stone could have no connection with these ornaments. Other instances of such moulds are noticed by Mr. W. Williams, which lead to the supposition that the Llandderfel one belongs to the Roman period.



COES Y GEDOL.—In the Arch. Camb., 1869, it is stated that Mrs. Coulson of this place had discovered, near the old road passing her house to Dolgellau, an incised stone with markings, which have been considered by Mr. Wynne of Peniarth and Mr. Wynne Ffoulkes to be artificial (not natural), one observer having regarded them as decided runes, whilst others have thought them to be rude delineations of animals. No further notice of this stone has appeared.

GANLLWYD, near Dolgellau.—An inscription on a rough grained angular piece of rock sticking out of the ground facing Rhaiadr Du is mentioned by J. Peter in Arch. Camb., 1874, p. 168, who adds, 'It does not seem to be ancient, although the letters are so weather-worn that they are almost illegible. I made out the following, which shows that the legend is Latin:—

Olw . sowr . Rellgio loer .  
Ra . ais ennorem conspicinnis Deum  
Per inviæ . unes . te a . pode r Riea