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Dean and Chapter, Durham Cathedral - Upon Searching Inside The Coffin Of St Cuthbert Europe's Oldest Book Was Discovered



Description: -

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Authors, French -- Correspondence -- 19th century.

Péladan family.

Péladan, Adrien, -- 1815-1890.

Péladan, Josephin, -- 1859-1918.

Currency question -- Great Britain.

Banks and banking -- Great Britain.

Bank of England.

Coffins -- England -- Durham

Cuthbert, -- Saint, Bishop of Lindisfarne, -- ca. 635-687 -- Relics.St

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A female ornament adorning a male corpse.

St Cuthbert's coffin features in new display at Durham Cathedral

Travelling once again, the cart with the coffin became stuck at , which was taken as a sign that the saint wished to remain there. The story of the Dun Cow, as depicted in an eighteenth-century panel on the north facade of Durham Cathedral. Cuthbert is the only male, but also the only priest, and the only bishop.

Saint Cuthbert of Lindisfarne

Whether the bindings depicted, which were presumably of leather, included raised elements cannot be detected, but the books are stored singly flat in a cupboard, which would reduce the wear on any raised patterns.

Treasures of St Cuthbert and their heritage

Other probable possessions of Cuthbert found inside are an ivory comb, a portable altar, and a with gold and garnet , a rare and important early example of Christian Anglo-Saxon jewellery. The lowest horizontal raised line is not straight, being higher at the left, probably because of an error in the marking or drilling of the holes in the cover board through which the ends of the cord run.

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