Cambridge Colloquium in Anglo-Saxon, Norse & Celtic

February 7, 2015

Communication and Control

8.45—9.10
Registration

9.10
Welcome and Introduction
CCASNC President Caitlin Ellis

9.15—10.15
Session 1

Julia Bolotina (ASNC)
The Lacnunga: Controlled Communication or Physician’s Notebook?

Ryder Patzuk-Russell (Birmingham)
Control of the Word: Ideologies and Rhetoric of Language in the Icelandic Grammatical Treatises

10.15—10.30
Coffee break (bookstall open)

10.30—11.30
Session 2

Exequiel Monge-Allen (Galway)
Becoming Sons of Life: the spiritual direction of the Céli Dé

Stephenie McGucken (Edinburgh)
‘Remove You from the Burning Desire of Lust’: St. Æthelthryth as Virgin, Mother, and Queen

11.30—12.00
Coffee break (bookstall open)
12.00–13.00
*Keynote Address*

Professor Stefan Brink (Aberdeen)
Medieval Laws: the most important written sources for understanding Scandinavian society

13.00–14.00
*Lunch*

14.00–15.30
*Session 3*

Samuel Ottewill-Soulsby (Cambridge)
Al-Bakrī and the Bretons

William Norman (ASNC)
Language as a factor in Norse-Celtic power dynamics: the saga evidence

Alexandra Reider (Yale)
The Structure of a Life: Lists in *The Fortunes of Men* and *Rígsþula*

15.30–16.00
*Coffee break (bookstall open)*

16.00–17.30
*Session 4*

Albert Fenton (ASNC)
Discourses of Control: Anglo-Saxon Writs as Legal Instruments

Jacob Hobson (Berkeley)
Political Theology in the Charters of Æthelstan A

Alexander Wilson (Durham)
‘Ef eigi kömi troll milli húss ok heima’: Monstrousness and the Communication of Power in *Sverris saga*

17.30–19.30
*Post-conference drinks in a local pub*

19.30
*Pre-prandial wine reception and canapés*
Gonville & Caius College (Green and Red Rooms)
20.15
Conference Dinner
Gonville & Caius College (Old Courts Dining Hall)