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'The impact of the Vikings on monetary circulation in Ireland and Britain'

This paper will provide a broad survey comparing the impact of the Vikings on monetary circulation in each region of Ireland and Britain that they settled. The conclusion is that their use of money was dependent on the economy that they found in each region on their arrival. In each case there is a transition from a bullion to a coin economy but it moves at very different paces, so that in the Danelaw their production and use of coinage is strongly influenced by Anglo-Saxon practice, while in western Britain and Ireland, where there was little coin use before their arrival, the economy develops much more in line with the economy in Scandinavia.