

had remained here another half-year he had pulled the Crown off your head by his seditious doctrine, for he taught that Kings are by election of the people. Mr. Duncan, however, after gave practical proof of his regard to kingly authority." (Calderwood viii, pp. 272-3).

From St. Andrews Duncan passed to Dundee, then the second city in Scotland, and became Rector of the Grammar School there, *Moderator Scholae Deidonanae*, as he was called in the sounding Latinity of the time. Wodrow is not quite sure of this fact, though it is otherwise established; he cannot understand how Duncan could have had the time to write such learned books as those which are credited to the Dundee schoolmaster, and which obviously give its classical tone and colour to Duncan's English style—*Grammatica Latina* and *Scholia in Rudimenta Pietatis* (Edin. 1595), and *Studiorum Puerilium Clavis* (Edin. 1597). But he inclines to regard the identification as probable on the ground that "many ministers, as we have seen, were sometime before employed in public schools, and Dundee was a flourishing one." In these Latin studies Duncan showed himself a fit successor of George Buchanan, of whom we are told that he once served as Chairman of a Committee to fix on one Latin grammar for the whole of Scotland—probably the first instance in history of the demand for "uniformity of text-books!"

The date of Duncan's ordination at Crail Wodrow wrongly gives as 1590, which would certainly leave too short an interval for his scholastic activities at Dundee. It is now established from the parish records as having been September, 1597. Next year we find the following characteristic entry in the Records of the Presbytery and Kirk Session of St. Andrews. Those who know the district will easily be able to imagine the kind of February storm that kept the Minister of Crail from covering the nine miles that separated him from the meeting at which he was due:—

"Feb. 15, 1598(-9). The whilk day, after the incalling of the name of God, Mr. Andro Duncan, who suld have maid the exerceis and Mr. William Murray who suld