

P R E F A C E .

At an Extraordinary Meeting of the St. Andrew's Society, held in the St. Andrew's School House, on the 26th November, 1855.

Present :—Duncan McPherson, Esq., in the Chair ; Hon. F. W. Primrose, Messrs. R. Neill, J. Thomson, J. Gibb, D. R. Steuart, D. A. Ross, H. S. Scott, D. C. Thomson, Joseph Morrin, M.D., D. Wilkie, R. P. White, P. Sinclair, W. Walker, jun., W. McLinton, John Laird, James Hewitt, James Nicol, D. McFarlane, A. Ritchie, Michael Stevenson, A. D. Webster, A. Robertson, W. Paterson, Rev. Dr. Cook, Robert Mitchell, D. Rae, Robert Shaw, W. Hossack, James Dean, W. C. Henderson, James Hamilton, D. McGie, C. Roger, McLean Stewart, and G. Bisset.

It was moved by the Rev. Dr. Cook, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Primrose, and resolved, "That whereas the experience of twenty years has proved it to be impossible to carry on the Society according to the original rules, and impossible, also, to procure a meeting such as the constitution requires for the alteration of these rules, this meeting, consisting of thirty-seven members, resolve that the quorum of fifty, necessary for such alteration, be reduced to twenty-one."

It was moved by John Thomson, Esq., seconded by J. Nicol, Esq., and resolved, "That the following gentlemen be a Committee to revise the laws and submit them to a subsequent meeting to be held at their call within a month from this date, viz. : Hon. F. W. Primrose, Rev. Dr. Cook, Dr. Morrin, James Dean, James Gibb, Charles Roger, and John Thomson, Esqrs.

At the General Meeting of the Society, held in the St. Andrew's School House, on the 17th December, 1855, it was moved by D. Wilkie, Esq., seconded by J. Hossack, Esq., and resolved, "That the constitution and rules as amended be adopted and printed for the use of the Society.