

These treats ought to be previously authorized by the
council, and attested, when laid out, by two of the
council, or more, who are hereby ordained to write,
or cause to be written on the bills the date and oc-
casion of the expence, and the person's name to
whom the same was paid, or is due, and to sign the
said bills, and report and produce them in council
within a month, at farthest, after the said expence is
incurred. And further finds, decrees and declares,
That the said extraordinary Deacons of Crafts have
not to give their special vote and consultation, an-
nually, in electing and chusing the members of the
council of said count of Edinburgh; but that they have
no vote in the election of the officers of the Town-d-
ward, the constables, and baillies of the publick
markets of the city, and their assistants, kirk and
college-transfers, rent-masters, and auditors of the
town's accounts; nor in electing and chusing the
warden bailies of the suburbs, namely, the baillies of
Leith, Canongate, Portburgh, and Calton, the ma-
jor and ordinary council having the only right
of choosing the said officers. But finds, decrees and
declares, That the said extraordinary deacons have a
seat, and ought to be adjoined with the ordinary
council, at least ought to be legally called for that
end, when they are to proceed to the election of the
warden, bailies, dean of guild, or treasurer, or to let
out, or any manner of such, upon the yearly
renting on, Martinmas-even; or to give benefices,
or other such effects within the Burgh; or to grant ex-
traordinary contributions, exchequers, and concerning pub-
lic buildings; or to dispose of the common good, ex-
cept the sum of Twenty Pounds Scots together. And
finds, That the said extraordinary deacons have
no vote in chusing committees for deliberating
upon, and preparing all or any of the said matters,
nor are able capable of being members of the said
council. And as to the article of councillors
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