

Englishmen only got situations in them. But now *tempora mutantur et nos mutamur in illis*; one-pound notes are as plentiful as blackberries (laughter); and the English are fain to take a leaf out of our book, and to borrow the Scotch system—that excellent system which is one of the most beneficial features in our commercial economy, and which has so largely contributed to raise our nation to the high rank which it now holds.

MR BURNES, Banker, returned thanks.

THE CHAIRMAN then gave “The Town and Trade of Stonehaven, and Mr Barclay, the superior of the Newtown.”

MR BARCLAY, in returning thanks, said the superior of the Newtown was Lord Arbutnot. There was one man still alive, who recollected when there was but one thatched house in Arduithie, or the Newtown of Stonehaven. The plan of it had been laid down by his father, and it was now the most regular little town in Scotland, containing three thousand inhabitants. His father, though not the superior, was truly the father of it. (Cheers.)

Several other toasts were drunk, and the evening passed with the greatest harmony and cordiality. The company broke up before ten o'clock.

The dinner was of the best description, and the arrangements reflected great credit upon the committee of management.