

"Fortrose Lodge, Stornoway, the second day of August, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight.

"The brethren having met pursuant to adjournment and being a monthly meeting the Lodge was regularly opened as an Apprentice Lodge, and the business of the Lodge having first been settled and adjusted, Brothers Hector Sinclair and Robert Clarke having successively petitioned to be admitted free and accepted Masons, and several members knowing them to be men of good character and being duly certified as such they were accordingly successively admitted. Thereafter the Lodge closed having first adjourned to the first Thursday of September next or until the Right Worshipful Deputy Master or person acting for him shall see just cause for calling a meeting of the brethren and due notice thereof given.

MALCOLM W. KEITH, D. M."



A DISTANT VIEW OF THE FARM OF GOATHILL.

On the 5th December, 1800, he received the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason along with a Bro. Hugh Mactavish.

The minute reads :— "Fortrose Lodge, Stornoway, the eighteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred.

"The Brethren met. The Lodge was regularly constituted into a Fellow Craft when Brothers Hugh Mactavish and Hector Sinclair were passed, Fellow Craft. The Lodge was closed with a resolution of being immediately re-opened as a Master Mason Lodge, which was accordingly done and the said Brethren raised to the Sublime