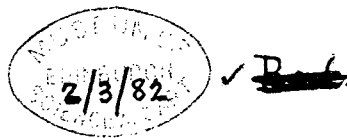


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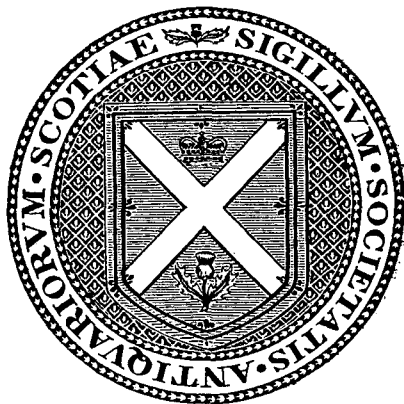
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STATUTES

OF THE

ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY

OF

SCOTLAND.

DIRECTION TO THE BINDER.

The Plates to be placed opposite the pages to which they refer.

Office-Bearers and Council.

1. THE Office-Bearers of the Society shall consist of a President, three Vice-Presidents, two Secretaries for general purposes, and one Secretary for foreign correspondence, and a Treasurer, all of whom may be re-elected except the First Vice-President, who is to go out by rotation, and not to be again eligible for one year.

2. The Council shall consist of the Office-Bearers and nine Ordinary Members; three of the latter to go out annually by rotation, and not be again eligible for one year. Any two Office-Bearers, one of them being the President, or a Vice-President, and three of the Ordinary Council, to be a quorum.

The Council is to have the direction of the affairs, and the custody of the effects, of the Society; and must report to the Annual General Meeting, on the 30th of November, the state of the Society's Funds, and other matters which may have come before them during the preceding year.

The Council may appoint Committees or individuals of their own body, to take charge of particular departments of the Society's business.

3. The Office-Bearers shall be elected annually at the General Meeting, on the 30th of November.

4. The Secretaries for general purposes shall record all the proceedings of Meetings, whether of the Society or Council; and conduct such correspondence as may be authorized by the Society or Council, except the foreign correspondence, which is to be carried on, under the same authority, by the Secretary appointed for this particular purpose.

5. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all monies due to or by the Society, and shall lay a state of the funds before the Council at every stated Meeting; and shall find security for his intromissions to the satisfaction of the Council.

6. The Council shall meet regularly once every three months during the Session, on the first Monday of November, February, and May. But the President, a Vice-President, or any two Councillors, shall have power to call extraordinary meetings of the Council when they shall see cause.

Meetings of the Society.

1. One General Meeting shall take place every year, on the 30th day of November. If the 30th happen either on a Saturday or a Sunday, then the meeting is to take place on the Friday immediately preceding. The Council shall have power to call extraordinary General Meetings, when they shall see cause.

2. The Ordinary Meetings of the Society shall be held on the second and fourth Mondays of every month, at eight o'clock in the

evening, beginning on the second Monday of November, and ending on the last Monday of May.

Members.

1. The Members of the Society shall consist of Ordinary, Honorary, and Corresponding Members.

2. The number of Ordinary Members shall be unlimited.

3. Candidates for admission as Ordinary Members must be recommended, in the following form, by at least three Members of the Council.

“ A. B. a gentleman well skilled in many branches of polite learning, being to our knowledge desirous of becoming a Member of the Antiquarian Society of Scotland, we whose names are subscribed do recommend him as deserving of that honour, and as likely to prove a useful and valuable Member.” The recommendation to be read at the next ordinary Meeting after the one at which it shall be presented, and a Ballot to take place at the third meeting, provided Nine Members be present. The Election to be determined by a majority.

4. Notice shall be given by the Secretaries when any Candidates are to be balloted for, at least eight days previous to the meeting, and shall insert the names in the notice.

5. The number of Honorary Members shall not exceed twenty-five; and shall consist of men eminent in science or literature, not residing in Scotland; and they shall not be liable for any fee of admission or annual contribution.

6. All recommendations of Honorary Members must be made through the Council; and must be balloted for in the same way as Ordinary Members.

7. Corresponding Members must be recommended and balloted for in the same manner as Ordinary Members. They shall not be liable to the payment of fees or annual contributions, unless they reside within fifteen miles of Edinburgh; in which case, they shall pay an annual contribution of One Guinea.

8. Before the name of any person is recorded as an Ordinary Member, he shall pay Two Guineas to the funds of the Society; and One Guinea annually. If any Member fails to pay his annual contribution for three successive years, due application having been made, the Council shall have power to erase his name from the list of Members, and to direct measures to be taken for recovering the arrears. No person in arrear shall be entitled to vote in the business of the Society.

9. No person who has ceased to be a Member of the Society shall be again eligible, unless a recommendation shall be signed by the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, and five of the Council. Any person so re-admitted, must pay the fees as if he were a new Candidate.

10. When any person elected shall fail to pay his fees three months after the date of his election, his election shall become null and void.

11. None but Ordinary Members are to hold any office in the Society, or vote in the business before it.

Property.

1. No manuscript or other article in the possession of the Society, printed books excepted, shall ever be lent out on any account whatever; nor shall copies, extracts, or drawings, be allowed to be taken without the consent of at least a quorum of the Council.

2. No book shall be given out without a receipt being written, in a book to be kept for that purpose, by the person borrowing it.

3. The property of the Society shall be placed in the custody of a Committee of the Council; and applications for admission into the Museum must be made through one of the Secretaries.

4. A register shall be kept of all donations, and published from time to time in the Transactions.

Publications.

1. Such papers as are read to the Society, if the authors intend them for publication, must be left with the Secretaries for the consideration of the Council.

2. As soon as a sufficient number of papers, deemed by the Council fit for publication, shall be collected as will make a Fasciculus, or part of a volume, the Council may take measures for publishing them, together with selections from curious MSS. or descriptions of pieces of antiquity in the Museum.

3. Every Member of the Society shall be obliged to receive a copy of the Society's publications, at such price as shall be fixed by the Council, not exceeding what is called the trade price.

Bye-Laws.

1. All bye-laws formerly made and interspersed through the Minutes, are repealed. Any Member may recommend new laws to a General Meeting.

2. Every new law, or proposal for altering laws already established, must be made known to all the Members at least three months

before the General Meeting, at which it is to be discussed, and adopted or rejected by vote.

The above laws shall be inserted in a book, and signed by the existing Members, and by every new Member at his admission; and they are to take effect at the General Meeting in December 1815.

But it is to be expressly understood that these laws are to have no retrospect, so as to infringe on the privileges of those who have been elected Correspondent Members or Associated Artists under the old statutes; though the class of Associated Artists is now abolished.

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Copy of a LETTER, which the SOCIETY agreed should be circulated among the Parochial Ministers of SCOTLAND.

REVEREND SIR,

As in many remote situations in Scotland, scarcely ever frequented by travellers, Monuments of Antiquity may exist, which are unknown except to a few persons in their immediate vicinity,—The SOCIETY OF SCOTISH ANTIQUARIES, desirous of obtaining information respecting their National Antiquities, have resolved to request the Ministers of the different parishes to communicate whatever may be worthy of observation in their bounds; and to draw up their Communications in such a form as may be suitable for their appearing in the Transactions of the Society. If drawings can be obtained, of such objects as may be particularly interesting, it would render the Memoirs the more acceptable. But should it be unsuitable to your pursuits, or incompatible with your ordinary avocations, to write a Memoir, the Society will gratefully receive brief notices of the existence and localities of remains of Antiquity, in the hope that some of its Members may be induced to examine them.

I am desired to say, that whatever Memoirs may be sent, with permission to publish them, shall be forthwith read before the Society, committed to the revision of the Council, and, if approved of, sent immediately to the press; and some copies of them will be forwarded to the Author.

You are particularly requested to inquire for ancient writings, which may be illustrative of the history of your parish, and depo-

sited either among public records, in the charter-chests of your Heritors, or in the possession of individuals. The Society is also desirous that you would attend to the names of places, from the etymology of which some information may be derived, respecting Parochial Antiquities, Manners, and Customs.

From the valuable materials afforded by the Clergy for the Statistical Account of Scotland, the Society is confident in their ability to furnish the most important information concerning the particular objects now in view.

I take this opportunity to mention, that the Barons of Exchequer, for the purpose of preserving the remains of Antiquity, have signified their intention of allowing the value of such Coins, and other articles of Gold and Silver, as may be discovered, and transmitted to their Lordships.

*Apartment of the Society of Scottish Antiquaries,
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