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AND TO THE

MASTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE INCORPORATION OF MALTMEN IN GLASGOW.

VISITOR AND GENTLEMEN.

I HAVE the pleasure of presenting to you a more extended narrative, chiefly of the *early* history and social customs of the Incorporated Craft of Maltmen in Glasgow, than is contained in the few notes appended to a "Roll of Visitors of the Craft" printed in 1864.

It was pleasing at the time to receive approval of the "Roll" and its notes, from our local antiquaries, John Buchanan, LL.D., James Pagan, and Sheriff Strathern, the latter suggesting that a similar contribution from each of the Fourteen Incorporations, of which the Trades' House consists, would form desirable companion volumes to Mr. Crawfurd's Sketch of the House.

In his edition of "Glasghu Facies," Dr. Gordon acknowledges obligation to what he is pleased to term the "interesting pamphlet" of the Maltmen.

In "Annals of the Skinners Craft," the accomplished annalist, Mr. William Henry Hill, contesting the order of precedence of the Skinners in the Trades' House, takes occasion to refer to the "Roll of Maltmen," in which Mr. Crawfurd's statement that the Incorporation arose out of the Letter of Guildry in 1605 is disputed, and says "the Clerk of the Maltmen has very clearly shown that the Maltmen were existing as one of the Incorporations of Glasgow at least as far back as the year 1556."

To add to the interest of the present Print, there is given a Roll of Names of Members of the Incorporation from 1605, preserving the spelling peculiar to the periods, in the order of their enrolment from that remote time to August, 1879; and a Roll of the present Members in the same order, in which the ancestry of each Member is traced by giving his Craft Genealogy. It may surprise some to find themselves merged in a common kindred, of which they were not previously aware, taking them back to an early stage in the history of the Craft. Perhaps this may appear not the least interesting portion of the Volume.

The opportunity has been taken to present as an Appendix, copies of such interesting documents as the Letter of Guildry, its Ratification by Parliament, Minutes of Approval and other Acts of the Town Council, Charter of Confirmation by the Archbishop, and of the Act abolishing the Exclusive Privileges of the Crafts; also, a reprint of our Laws and Regulations, sanctioned in 1852, and subsequent Additions.

Having now complied with your request for a Handy Book of the Craft, it will be gratifying to me if the manner in which it is published prove acceptable to you, and if the matter, limited as it is considering the choice of my materials, meet your approbation.

I remain.

VISITOR AND GENTLEMEN.

Yours very faithfully,

ROBERT DOUIE.

37 BATH STREET, GLASGOW, 1st September, 1879.

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