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PREFACE.

The Borough and Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed has ever occupied an important and, in some respects, a unique position, having been a bone of contention for many generations between the Kings of England and Scotland. Its status, defined by a Charter granted 30th April, 1604, by James 1., and confirmed by Act of Parliament the same year, was reformed in 1835, when the place for all intents and purposes became a Northumbrian Town. The right to return two Burgesses to Parliament, which Berwick retained until 1881, the natural advantages of its position, and the enterprise and business habits of its townsmen united to assure to the Town great commercial prosperity. Evidences of this are apparent to the traveller from the south, whose eye is attracted by the red roofs and massive walls of warehouses and other buildings rising tier upon tier from the river's edge to the top of the bank or terrace upon which the Town is built-

Besides the Town, the Parish of Berwick-upon-Tweed contains a few small scattered hamlets, and comprises 5,790 acres of land.

The census returns are-

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It is well to remind readers that provious to 1752 the year began on the 25th of March, instead of, as now, on the 1st of January.

H. M. W.

October, 1905.

The Lists of Vicars of Berwick-upon-Tweed given by Randal (State of the Churches) and Scoti (Berwick-upon-Tweed) being defective and inexact, the table of the succession of incumbents, usually prefaced to the first volume of the Registers printed by this Society, will be withheld until a later volume of the Berwick Registers so as to obtain greater fullness and accuracy.