

# **Dundee Town Council Minutes**

**Index to 1778/1779**

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Dundee Town Council Minutes, Vol. XI, are housed in Dundee City Archives. The following annual Index covers the period from the start of the new council on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1778 to September 1779 until the election of the New Council on 21<sup>st</sup> September 1779.

Because the pages of the Minute Book are unnumbered, it has been necessary to identify items by the date on which they appear in the minutes.

Spelling of the proper names was not consistent within the minutes and for the purpose of the index the probable modern equivalent has been used.

NEW COUNCIL ELECTED 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 1778:

PROVOST – Henry Geekie, to be proxy for Bailie John Pitcairn, and George Maxwell outgoing Provost at the start of the new council year.

DEAN OF GUILD – William Maxwell

COUNCILLOR ('COUNSELLOR') TO THE GUILD – Provost Patrick Maxwell

TREASURER – Alexander Riddoch

KIRKMASTER – James Thomson

SHOREMASTER – Provost George Maxwell.

MERCHANT - Alexander Riddoch, proxy for George Dempster (Esquire of Dunnichen).

BAILLIES:

James Thomson

James Johnston

John Guild

Thomas Crichton

William Chalmers

James Halliburton

John Cristale

BAILLIES OF THE BARONY [OF HILLTOWN]

Andrew Sword and David Mitchell, previously *weavers* in Dundee.

COUNCIL OFFICER:

James Duncan

TOWN OFFICERS:

Patrick Ritchie

TRADES COUNCILLOR:

George Dempster (absent), proxy by Alexander Riddoch.

MERCHANT COUNCILLORS:

David Blair – to the Hospital Master.

John Thorns

Andrew Mitchell

Patrick Mitchell

MERCHANTS, IN THE DEAN OF GUILD'S OFFICE:

David Cay

Thomas Miller

Michael Luke

David Lumsden

MERCHANT IN TREASURER'S OFFICE:

Patrick Hunter

THE TRADES PRESENT:

BAKER – Patrick Ritchie

BONNETMAKER – John Langlands

CORDINER

FLESHER

GLOVER

HAMMERMAN – William Bisset, proxy for William Chalmers (Trades Counsellor)

SHOEMAKER – Patrick Mathew

TAYLOR – Peter Mill

WAULKERS

WEAVERS – Andrew Sword and David Mitchell in Hilltown.

AIRTH, Alison – the Treasurer was to pay Provost Maxwell the balance paid by him to Alison Airth, to take credit therefore in his accounts, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

ALISON, William – *Stentmaster*, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

ALLARDICE, George – his widow was to be paid 2s 6d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

ANDERSON, George – *Merchant*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. See also: CONSTABLES

ANDERSON, John - to be paid 3s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

ANDERSON, William – *Mealmaker*, Dundee, granted the original bill to Charles More, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. See also: MORE

ANGUS, Alexander – *Maltman*, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

BAIN, Walter – *Mason* in Dundee who particularly distinguished himself by his endeavours to extinguish the said fire in the vicinity, on 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778, was entered into the Locked 'Lockit' Book by the Council, entitled to full freedom of the Town.

BAKER, William Henderson – *Rector* of the Grammar School, 13<sup>th</sup> February 1779.

BALBIRNIE, Patrick – to be paid 2s 6d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

BANKING COMPANY, DUNDEE, see SCOTT, Thomas, Mr

BENNET, John – *Blockmaker*, in Dundee admitted as *Burgess*, and discharging from his Majesty's Navy showing paid fifty marks Scots to Alexander Riddoch which is accepted of in full of his freedom, 29<sup>th</sup> March 1779. See also: RIDDOCH

BISSET, George – *Merchant*, in Dundee, to be paid 2s 6d of charity, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. The Hospital Master was to pay him 5s 0d of charity, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

BISSET, William (Convener) – *Hammerman*, in Dundee, to be proxy for William Chalmers, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778; He was due £32 of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

BLAIR, David – The present *Magistrate's Treasurer* chosen to stent the Stent masters, 6<sup>th</sup> September 1779.

*Merchant Counsellor*, last council day, accepted 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778; *Hospital Master*, 29<sup>th</sup> September 1778. Authorised to retire by the Dundee Banking Company and to pay up the interest due on John Jobson's Bill and to grant his bill to the said company, 9<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

BROWN, James – *Shipmaster*, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

BUDDIE, Elizabeth – was paid 2s 6d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

BURNS, George – *Merchant*; the Council agrees to accept of twenty years purchase for a ground belonging to a house in the Nethergate of Dundee, annual of £3 13s 4d Scots, payable to the Hospital of Dundee by the said George Burns, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

CABLES, Alex – *Weaver*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

CAIRN, John – *Merchant*, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

CHALMERS, William – *Baillie*, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1778; *Trades Counsellor*, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778. *Baillie Chalmers' Bill* - authorised as Collector of the two pennies on the pint to retire and pay interest due on his bill on behoof of the town for £320 stg. of principal and £8 12s 8d of interest included therein as principal payable, 11th November to the Dundee Banking Company, including interest, 9<sup>th</sup> January 1779; To receive £300 and pay the same to William Scott, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779; received £300 stg. for paying Thomas Scott the part of the principal sum in the Town's Bond and to take a receipt thereof, 13<sup>th</sup> February 1779.

A balance of £160 8s 0 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>12</sub> d stg. money credited to himself for land and crop in his accounts discharged by the Council, with a balance of £91 14s 7 <sup>7</sup>/<sub>12</sub> d stg. of which he was to receive in allowances in his next year's accounts; to pay bill to Mr Riddoch of £300 sterling, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779. See also: RIDDOCH.

CLERK, David, Moncurr - the lawful *son procreate* betwixt David Moncurr, *Journeyman, Carpenter* in Dundee, and Barbara Clerk his wife, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

CLERK, Sir James – petition for David Moncurr Clerk to be transmitted to him that he may be approven of and presented to be one of the *Bursars in Clerks mortification*, and appoint the petition to lie on the table, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779. See also: MONCURR

CLERK, Barbara – wife of David Clerk, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

CONSTABLES – The following named persons were voted in to office, year 6th October 1778:

1. ANDERSON, George – *Merchant*, for the Overgate
2. ELDER, Patrick – *Dyer*, for the Murraygate and
3. MONRO, John – *Shoemaker*, for the Nethergate.
4. MUIR, Thomas – *Hammerman*, for the Murraygate.
5. MUNGO Murray – *Hammerman*, for the Seagate
6. KEILLOR, William – *Taylor*, for the Overgate.
7. THOMSON, William – *Hammerman*, for the Seagate.
8. THOMS, George – *Weaver*, for the Nethergate.

COUPAR, Patrick – *Mealseller* in Dundee, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

COUPAR, John – given ten shillings of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

CRICHTON & CHALMERS – Petition by these merchants representing that the petitioners carried on a considerable Thread Manufacture in the Wellgate of Dundee and it would be a great advantage to their work, and no indictment to the public, if they were allowed to fix a small pipe to the main pipe, conveying water thereto which should be done under the inspection of Tradesmen, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

CRICHTON, Thomas – *Baillie*, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1778. Elected to be the successor to Provost Henry Geekie, 24<sup>th</sup> May 1779. Council chose him to stent the Stent Masters, 6<sup>th</sup> September 1779. See also: GEEKIE

CRISTALE, John – *Baillie*, 21<sup>st</sup> September 1778.

CRISTALE, William – *Weaver*, paid five shillings charity, by Hospital Master, 9<sup>th</sup> April 1779; Paid 3s 0d stg. of charity by Hospital Master, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

CROALS, Andrew – his widow to be given 5s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

DALE – *Widow*, to be paid 5s 0d of charity by Hospital Master, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

DAVIDSON, Thomas – *Writer* (Scots for lawyer) in Dundee, with outstanding debts of the town's revenue given up by the Treasurers and intromitted with by him in virtue of an act of Council of the twenty third of May 1774, formally audited and approven of by the Annual Committee and were this day discharged by the Town Council, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

DEACONS OF CRAFTS – called into Council on 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

DEMPSTER, George – *Baillie*, of Dunnichen, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

DEMPSTER, Mr – *Representative from the Kirk Session in Dundee*, in parliament for the Repeal of the law against Catholics, 9<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

DICK, James – *Merchant* in Dundee, a *Hospital Pensioner* upon the hospital funds for £100 Scots yearly to be paid monthly to commence from the first day of 9<sup>th</sup> January current, 1779.

DICK, Mungo – *Merchant* in Burgh of Dundee, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

DOIG, Robert – *Manufacturer*, in Dundee having for the reasons therein mentioned the Council would allow him to continue in the possession of the seat in the Old Church formerly occupied by him, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

DUNCAN, Alex – the *Council's Agent* in Edinburgh, an account was due to him of £46 2s 0d stg. in the years 1775 and 1776, in relation to the law in respect of the Repeal of the Statutes against Popery, to be approved by the three Bodies and inserted in the Edinburgh newspapers, on 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

DUNCAN, Janet – wife of Patrick Mitchell, and daughter of the deceased James Duncan, *Merchant* in burgh of Dundee, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1778.

DUNCAN, Robert – an account due to him for £1 9s 0d stg. for work done to the public wells and a demand to pay a year salary to him for keeping the said wells that the Council recommended, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779

#### DUNDEE BANKING COMPANY –

Baillie Chalmers' Bill for behoof of the Town, for £320 stg. of principal and £8 12s 8d of interest included, 9<sup>th</sup> January 1779. Also, John Jobson's bill on behoof of the Hospital for £101 14s 6d of interest, both bills payable on 11<sup>th</sup> day of November last.

EASSON, John – *Maltman*, the Meal maker dues to be paid to him were £35 stg., for which a confirmed bill granted by Thomas Morgan and Patrick Coupar, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

ELDER, Patrick – *Dyer*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. See also: CONSTABLES

FALCONER, John – *Merchant* in Dundee, given the Weigh House at £10 stg. Also the dues payable by the Fleshers both free and unfree, for the New Flesh Market and Slaughterhouse to the said John Falconer at £55 stg. for which their last branches confirmed bill was granted by him, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

FAIRWEATHER, Oliver – *Merchant*, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

FLEMING, George – *Servant* to Alexander Morison, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778. See also: MORISON.

FLIGHT, John – *Hammerman* in Dundee making offer to keep the public Fountain pipes and wells in proper order for £3 10s 0d stg. yearly to be payable, and half each six months, without any further payment being considered by the Council, they agree to John Flight's proposal and appoint him to enter upon the work at Lammas next the first half years allowance to be paid at Candlemas thereafter but with the declaration that he shall have no further demand from the Town than the yearly allowance above mentioned for any furnishings or work respecting the wells or pipes or keeping them in repair, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

FORD, David – *Treasurer* - paid the ordinary accident of fifty merks Scots when in full of his freedom, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1778.

GEEKIE, Henry – *Esquire and Merchant of Dundee elected as Provost*, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778; Mrs Geekie of Parkhead was to be paid five hundred pounds sterling due to her by the Town's by Bond at the term of Martinmas next, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778; Esquire Merchant and Provost of Dundee, elected to be their Commissioner, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

GEEKIE, Mrs – *Landowner from Parkhead*; She wanted payment of the £500 stg. due to her by the Town by Bond at the term of Martinmas next, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. She and her daughter owned the great tenement of land, garden and Bakehouse, belonging to the Town and Community of Dundee, lying on the south side of the Nethergate, purchased by the town from both in order to repay the said Alexander Riddoch, with its current proprietor being the said Rector Mr Watson, 13 February 1779; wanted that the town should pay her 5% interest in place of 4½% currently, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

See also: RIDDOCH and WATSON

GEORGE, King – the third (his Majesty), 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

GREENHILL, Alexander – *Merchant*, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

GIBSON, James – *Merchant* in Dundee, by the privilege of Francis Gibson, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

GIBSON, Francis – *Weaver* in Dundee, the father of James Gibson, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

GLASGOW, ROYAL, VOLUNTEERS  
see: ROYAL GLASGOW

GOURLAY, Mary – the Hospital Master was appointed to be paid 2s 6d stg. of charity, 31<sup>st</sup> August 1778.

GREER – *widow*, was to be paid 2s 6d charity, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

GUILD, John – *Baillie*, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778; *Hospital Master*, from Martinmas 1773 to Martinmas, 1774 having been formerly audited by the Annual Committee was this day laid before the Councils, and approven of, and a balance found due to the Hospital of £445 2s 11d Scots, to the Hospital Master, 9<sup>th</sup> July 1778.



GUILD'S BURSARY, see SMITH, Andrew – son of William Smith and THAIN

GUTHRIE, John – *Stent Master*, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

HACKNEY, William – *Merchant* in Dundee, granted £315 stg. accounts sent to him on 13<sup>th</sup> November 1776 in relation to the Packhouse & Packhouse years, The Tonnage, Beacon, anchorage and shore dues; The Plank money and weighing of coals and the dues payable for cleaning, Growing vegetables; conjoint bill granted by William Hog: 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

See also: HOGG

HALLIBURTON, James – *Baillie*, chosen to stent the Stent Masters chosen last Council day, *on the 24th September, 1778, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778.*

HALLIBURTON, Mrs – widow of Ian, to be paid 10s 0d charity, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779; also due 10s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

HAYS, James – his accounts payable by Dundee Council, from 24<sup>th</sup> June 1777, 29<sup>th</sup> of September, 25<sup>th</sup> of December, 1777 and the 25<sup>th</sup> March 1778 inclusive; with the King's Mails until the 6<sup>th</sup> of July 1778.

A window and house duty was due from 5<sup>th</sup> April 1777 to 5th April 1778.

'Hay's Bond' - including vouchers, were delivered to him and the accounts were discharged to him, and the Stent Roll delivered up to him, 6<sup>th</sup> September 1779.

HENDERSON, James – *Slater*, to be given half a guinea by the Treasurer for his trouble in relation to assisting with the extinguishing of the fire in Thorter Row, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

HENDERSON, William – *Slater* to be paid 2s 6d stg. of charity by the Hospital Master, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

HENDERSON, William – *Baker*, 13 February 1779. Proprieted the lower or ground floor of that property in the Nethergate belonging to the town, with the garden and Bakehouse built on; He offered £180 stg. for the first Lett being the said lower storey; the rights were to be delivered to him as he was the most considerable purchaser, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

HOG, William – *Merchant* in Dundee, granted the bill to pay William Hackney, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. See also: HACKNEY

JOBSON, John – *Joiner*, received principal payment on 11<sup>th</sup> November last just bill on behoof of the Hospital for £101 14s 6d of interest included therein, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779 .

KEILLOR, William – *Taylor*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. See also: CONSTABLES.

KEITH, Alexander – the Treasurer was appointed to pay him, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

KEITH, William – *Shoemaker* in Dundee, dues payable by the Fleshers both free and unfree for the new flesh mercat Slaughter House of £6 stg. to be paid in part of the account due to him by the Town, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

KINNEAR, – *Deacon*, who was involved in the conversations, along with the Provost Magistrate, with the Chapel about achieving a Grant from the Council in relation to their proposals to build a new Chapel on the piece of ground where the Guard house and Meal Mercat presently stand, and raise an elegant front towards the High Street, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

KINNEAR, William – *Coppersmith* in Dundee by the privilege of the deceased William Kinnear, *Vintner* in Dundee, his father, when the Locked Book was opened this day and he took the Burghal oath, 17<sup>th</sup> September 1778

LANGLANDS, Andrew – *Bonnetmaker*, burghess of Dundee, and partner of John Langlands, paid the ordinary accidents of which he was due, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1778.

LANGLANDS, Jean – *Spouse* of Alexander Morison, lawful daughter of John Langlands, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

LANGLANDS, John – *Bonnetmaker*, burghess of Dundee, paid the ordinary accidents of which he was due, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

LESLEY, James – *Weaver* in Hilltown, Council signed a Charter of Confirmation and Precept of Dundee in favour of him receiving two Roods of land with houses and biggings lying on the Westside of the Hilltown of Dundee, as heir to the deceased John Losly, 26 July 1779.

LESLEY, John – *Servant* to Ian Wright, *Merchant* in Dundee his Brother-German, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

LOW, James – *Maltman* (deceased), Burgess of Dundee, and *father* of Margaret Low, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778. See also: MORISON.

LOW, Margaret – *spouse* of Alex Morison and lawful daughter of the deceased James Low, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778. See also MORISON.

LOWNIE – widow was to be paid 5s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779; the same on 9<sup>th</sup> April 1779.

LOWSON, John – widow was to be paid 2s 6d stg. charity, on 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778; his widow was to be paid 2s 0d, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

LOWSON, William – widow to be paid 3s 0d stg. charity by the Hospital Master, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779; also the same was due on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

LYON, William, Mr – *Writer*; the present proprietor of the acres of land, immediately to the north ward of the West Chapelshade belonging to the Community, 13<sup>th</sup> February 1779; Council produced a Renunciation by him of the acres in the Upper Chapelshade, which belonged to the Town of Dundee, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

MAXWELL – *Provost George* had been accompanied at the Convention of Royal Burghs, by Baillie William Maxwell and that the Stent Roll was continued as formerly to what the Burgh "Burrow" dues amounted to, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

MAXWELL, David – *Advocate*; late Hospital Master, he had intromissions with the Hospital Funds from Martinmas 1775 to Martinmas 1776; he was due a balance to the Hospital of £595 11s 7d Scots which he was appointed to pay David Blair, Hospital Master, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779. wanted the town to pay him interest at the rate of 5%, the money due to them by the Town, in place of 4½, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

MAXWELL, George – *widow* – was to be paid 2s6d stg. of Charity, 31<sup>st</sup> August 1778; was to be paid 5s 0d stg. of charity to be paid by the Hospital Master, on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

MATHEW, George – *Brewer*, in Dundee, who along with James Mill, granted the conjunct bill, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

MAVER, Robert – *Shipmaster*, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

MAXWELL, George (Provost) – *Provost; Hospital Master* from Martinmas 1774 to Martinmas 1775, having been formally audited by the annual committee, and this day laid before the council and approven of; a Balance found due to the Hospital of £328 8s 7d Scots, which was appointed to be paid to the present Hospital Master, and the vouchers put up in the Town's press, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778; *Shoremaster*, on the last Council day, 29<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

MAXWELL, Patrick – *Baillie to be Councillor to the Guild* last Council Day chosen, intimated, 29<sup>th</sup> September 1778; nominated and appointed *Merchant in State Provost of Dundee to be their Commissioner to the next General Assembly of the Church*, 9<sup>th</sup> April 1779.

MAXWELL, William – *Baillie*, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

MCDONALD, Daniel – his wife who was to be paid 5s 0d stg. of charity paid by the Hospital Master, on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

MCDONALD – his widow was to be paid 5s 0d stg. charity to be paid by the Hospital Master, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

MEAL – widow, who was to be paid 2s 0d of charity, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

MEDISSON – widow to be paid 2s 6d stg. charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

MELVILE, William – his daughter was to be paid 5s 0d charity by the Hospital Master, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

MELVILE, Sarah – who was to be paid 5s 0d stg. of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

MILL, James - *Bonnetmaker*, in Dundee, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

MITCHELL, Andrew – *Merchant*, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

MITCHELL, David – *Weaver* in Dundee, 29<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

MITCHELL, Patrick – *Merchant* in Dundee, by the privilege of Janet Duncan, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1778.

MITCHELL, William – *Town Officer*, was to be paid the sum of £1 stg. of charity by the Treasurer, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

MONCURRE, David – *Journeyman/Carpenter* in Dundee, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

MONCURRE, CLERK, David – *lawful son procreate* betwixt David Moncurr and Barbara Clerk, his wife, praying to have his petition transmitted, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779. See also: CLERK.

MONRO, John – *Shoemaker*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. See also: CONSTABLES.

MORE, Charles – *Capmaker*, in Dundee, to receive the customs at the Overgate and Nethergate ports and Council Wynd, at £42 stg. , granted conjunct bill by William Anderson, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. See also: ANDERSON

MORGAN, Thomas – *Vintner*, confirmed the bill to George Spence, 4<sup>th</sup> January, 1779. See also: SPENCE.

MORISON, Alexander – *Merchant* in Dundee by the privilege of Jean Langlands, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778. See also: LANGLANDS.

MORISON, Alex – *Merchant* in Dundee by the privilege of Margaret Low, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778. See also: LOW.

MORISON, James – *Esquire* of Naughton, heir to the deceased William Morison, signed a Charter of confirmation, to occupy two acres of land – as part of the barony of the Hilltown of Dundee, with the grass thereto belonging, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779; The Council and Trades this day signed a *Precept of Clare Constat* in favour of James Morison owning parts of the Barony of the Hilltown of Dundee, the land of Coldside, including the eight acres of land call Backside Acres, and all those two acres of land lying within the Parish of Dundee, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

MORISON, William – *Merchant* (grandfather of James Morison), 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

MUDIE, Peter – his *widow* was to be paid 5s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

MUIR, Thomas -: *Hammerman*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778; widow to be paid 5s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779; his widow also paid 5s 0d of charity, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

See also: CONSTABLES.

MURRAY, Mrs – *widow* of the deceased Alexander Murray, *Merchant* in Dundee, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779. She owned a seat in the old East Church of Dundee purchased from Mrs Watson of Turin which he had authorised her to dispose of, whereby she was due to pay the yearly rent of one Guinea, for three years from and after Whitsunday last, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

MURRAY, Mungo – *Hammerman*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. See also: CONSTABLES.

NAIRN, Mr – the *Town's Lawyer*, due several years of retaining fee, on 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

NEILSON, Archibald, Mr – *Merchant* in Dundee to be his successor to the next General Convention of Royal Burroughs to meet at Edinburgh, the fourteenth day of July, 1778,

NICOLE, James – *Mason* in Dundee, due to be given the remainder of the sums due to the Tradesmen of Dundee, of £120 4s 9d due to Convener William Bisset, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

NICOLE, John – *Merchant*, Burgess of Dundee and having paid £40 Scots to James Thomson when *Treasurer* in full of his freedom, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

NEISH – widow to be paid 5s 0d, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

OGILVY, James – *Stentmaster*, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

OWEN – widow paid 2s 6d, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778; Widow to be paid 5s 0d, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1779;

PATON – widow to be given 5s 0d, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

PEARSON – widow was paid 5s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

PENN, Andrew – *Pavier*, in Dundee, sold street dung to him for one year at £15 stg., as he had undertaken to employ a sufficient number of men to keep the streets clean, particularly to sweep the High Street; if the profits of the Dung should not answer the expense the Council would give him an abatement of the agreed on rent, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

PETTY CUSTOMS – at the Overgate and Nethergate ports, and Burial Wynd stables, of the whole meal and victuals coming into the same to be set up at £42 stg.

The customs at The Craig and ladles of the whole meal and victuals coming into the same to be set up at £20 stg., 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

The Meal Mercat dues including the Gate Penny for fruit, seed, wheat, potatoes, conform to the use of the customs on all victual imported and exported as specified in the table of the Petty Customs to be set up at £35 stg., 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

PETRIE, Margaret – to be paid 2s 0d stg , 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

PITCAIRN, John – *Baillie*, Provost Henry Geekie to be proxy to him. 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

POPERY LAWS – The Clerk was appointed to write to the Town's Agent at Edinburgh for information as to whether or not the city of Edinburgh has made any application to his Majesty or Parliament for preventing a repeal of the laws against Popery extending to this part of the Kingdom, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

Testifying the firm resolution of the three bodies of committees of the Kirk Session Trades to concert measures for opposing any law respecting the Repeal of the statutes against Popery, and to meet with the other committees in the Kirk session to discuss how the expenses of petitions to the law's repeal is to be delayed, 23<sup>rd</sup> January 1779. See also: ROMAN CATHOLIC BILL

RAMSAY, Agnes – was to be paid one pound and one shilling sterling, from charity, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778; was to be paid £1 stg. charity, 9<sup>th</sup> April 1779.

RAMSAY, Gilbert – widow was to be paid 2s 6d stg. of charity, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778; also to be paid 2s 0d stg., 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

RAMSAY, John – *Maltman*, chosen by Council to be Stentmaster, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

READ, Mrs – was to be paid 10s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

RIDDOCH, Alexander – *Merchant* to be proxy for George Dempster; 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778; present *Treasurer* authorized to subscribe the said articles of ours, which they oblige themselves to warrant; 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

He offered to lend the Community £300 on Bailie Chalmer's Bill on behalf of the Town and Community on condition that the Community would fix on some plan how he was to be repaid at Whitsunday next, authorised by the Council and Trades, 13<sup>th</sup> February 1779. He was repaid by the selling of property belonging to Mrs Geekie of Park-head and her daughter. See also: GEEKIE.

RITCHIE, Patrick – belonged to the Committee including the Treasurer, Hospital Master and Magistrates Dean of Guild, in charge of auditing all accounts of the town, 29<sup>th</sup> September 1778; he also belonged to the Committee in charge of ensuring that the streets were kept clean, 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779. He was the present *Magistrate's Treasurer*, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

RITCHIE – *Deacon*, 6<sup>th</sup> September 1779. He was one of the committee along with the present Magistrate's Treasurer. See also: BLAIR

ROMAN CATHOLIC BILL -:

The Provost, Henry Geekie, signed the petition opposing the laws in force against Roman Catholics. This was sent by the Provost Magistrate and the Town Council of the Borough of Dundee to the Right Honourable House of Lords and another to the Honourable the House of Commons and the Council approved of the motion, on 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

See also: POPERY LAWS

ROYAL GLASGOW VOLUNTEERS – soldiers whose activity involved extinguishing the recent fire in the Thorter Row, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

ST ANDREWS, UNIVERSITY OF, see GUILD'S BURSARY

SALTER, Patrick – *Brewer*, confirmed the bill to George Spence, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. See also: SPENCE.

SEAMEN – Sailors to be offered a bounty of three Guineas for entering on board his Majesty's Navy, and two Guineas to every ordinary seaman residing in or belonging to the Town and Parish of Dundee who had served voluntarily before the 1<sup>st</sup> September next; the Council authorised the Provost to sign an advertisement in these terms, and to insert it in all the Edinburgh news papers, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

SCOTT, Alexander, Mr – *Minister, deceased*, of the Gospel at Meigle requested payment at Candlemas next, of £300 in part of the principal sum of £600 stg. due to him by the Town of Dundee's Bond, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

SCOTT, Thomas, Mr – son of the deceased Mr Alex Scott, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. The Council and Trades agreed to borrow the money for answering Mr Scott's demand to borrow from the Dundee Banking Company, £300 stg. until Whitsunday, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779. Mr Thomas Scott was to receive 5% of the money in the Town's hands from and since Candlemas last, paid by Baillie Chalmers 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1779.

SCOTT, William – the sum of the bill proposed to be paid by baillie, William Chalmers to the said Dundee Banking Company, for £300 stg. on behalf of the Community included therein interest to the term of Whitsunday next and to apply that sum for paying William Scott, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

SIMMERS, Alexander – *Shoemaker*, in Dundee, by the privilege of the deceased Robert Simmers, *Shoemaker*, his father, when the Locked Book was this day opened and he took the burgal oath, 17<sup>th</sup> September 1778.

SMART, John – wife paid 5s 0d stg. of charity, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778.

SMALL, John – *Schoolmaster* in Dundee, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779. In relation to his purchase of part of Mrs Geekie's house, he was preferred to the purchase of the second loft being the second storey with the eastmost half of the lowest part at the unsettled price of £90 stg., Prices: for 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

SMITH, Alex – *Hammerman* in Dundee, paid £18 2s 6d stg. of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. Also paid £5 8s 1d by Provost George Maxwell, being the balance of his account of furnishing to the shore then the Treasurer to pay the balance paid to Alex Smith to credit the account of the Provost, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779.

SMITH, Alexander – to be paid £6 stg. by the Treasurer in part of the account due to him by the Town, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

SMITH, Andrew – son of William Smith, who had a petition made by his father, attached to appointing him to the vacant Bursar's position in Dr Guilds mortification at the University of St Andrews, which would lie on the table until the previous Bursar's resignation, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779. See also: SMITH, William and THAIN, Andrew.

SMITH, Gilbert – his widow paid 3s 0d stg. of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

SMITH, Ian – An account due for £1 9s 0d stg. for work done to the public walls and discharged him from paying the half a year's salary claimed to be due, 9<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

SMITH, James – *Wright* in Dundee, paid £15 7s 11½ stg. of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

SMITH, William – *Hammerman*, who was paid 5s 0d stg. charity, by Hospital Master on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778 and on 9<sup>th</sup> January 1779 and the same again on 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779, and on 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

SMITH, William – *Merchant* in Dundee who wanted his son to be appointed to the vacant Bursary in Dr Guild's Mortification at the University of St Andrews, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

SPALDING, Janice – to be paid 5s 0d stg. of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

SPALDING, James – widow to be paid 5s 0d stg. of charity, 9<sup>th</sup> April 1779.

SPEID, Robert – son of the deceased Robert Speid, *Merchant* in Dundee, a Bursar upon Dr Guild's Mortification at the College of St Andrew, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

SPEID, Agnes, Miss – widow of Robert Speid, offered the upstart price of £40 stg. for the fourth storey of Mrs Geekie's property, offered to payable at Whitsunday next, 4<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

SPENCE, George – last customer due the Customs at the Craig at the sum of twenty pounds sterling, and the Fish stocks at £6 6s 0d stg. for both, for which a confirmed Bill was granted by Thomas Morgan, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1799.  
See also: MORGAN.

STIRLING, Patrick – *Merchant*, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

STOBBIE, William – his wife paid 5s 0d stg. charity, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778

SWORD, Andrew – *Weaver*, in Hilltown was granted a conjoined bill along with John Thrift, for the customs of the Wellgate, Murraygate and Seagate Ports in Dundee at £36 stg., 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779, See also: THRIFT.

THAIN, Andrew – his son the present *Bursar* to Dr Guild's Mortification at the University of St. Andrews who was to formally resign, 26<sup>th</sup> July 1779.  
at which point Andrew Smith would be appointed to the vacant Bursary. See also: SMITH, 6<sup>th</sup> September 1779.



THOMS, Alexander – *Merchant*, 27<sup>th</sup> July 1778.

THOMS, George – *Weaver*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. See also: CONSTABLES.

THOMSON, William – *Hammerman*, 6<sup>th</sup> October 1778. See also: CONSTABLES.

THOMSON, James – *Kirkmaster*, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778; His widow was to be paid 2s 6d , April 1779 and 24<sup>th</sup> May 1779; received 2s 6d stg. of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

THRIFT, John – *Indwellar*, received the customs of the Wellgate, Murraygate and Seagate Ports in Dundee and granted the bill of £66 stg. to him and Andrew Sword, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779. See also: SWORD.

TURPIE, Christian – *widow* paid 5s 0d of charity, 4<sup>th</sup> January 1779.

VALENTINE, James – paid 4s 0d stg. from charity, 26<sup>th</sup> October 1778, and also 5s 0d by the Hospital Master, 1<sup>st</sup> February 1779; his widow to be paid 5s 0d stg. of charity, 9<sup>th</sup> April 1779.

WALKER, John – late of Charlestown, 4 May 1779. He was preferred to the purchase of the third loft being the third storey from the ground with the westward half of the lowest of Mrs Geekie's house, at the £90 stg. 27<sup>th</sup> May 1779.

WATT – widow, paid 10s 0d charity, 9<sup>th</sup> April 1779; also paid 5s 0d charity, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1779.

WATSON, M – *Rector* of the Grammar School, the present proprietor of the great tenement of land, garden and Bakehouse belonging to the Town and Community of Dundee, on the Southside of the Nethergate, purchased by the Town from Mrs Geekie of Parkhead and her daughter, 13 February 1779.

WATSON, Clementina, Miss – she produced a letter in Council making offer of selling to the Kirk fabric a pew or desk in the old or East Church of Dundee. See also: MURRAY.

WILSON, William – *Merchant* in Dundee was admitted a *Burgess*, 4 May 1779.

WINDRAM, Andrew – *Servant* to Alex Morison, burgess by the privilege of Margaret Low, his spouse, 24<sup>th</sup> September 1778.  
See also: MORISON.