

A Committee of The Highland Society
London, Met at the Shakespeares Head Tavern
Covent-Garden 8th March 1784 —

Present Neil Malcolm Esq: A.P. in the Chair

Mr. Archibald Campbell
Major James Campbell
Capt Campbell Lochmiller
Mr. William Forbes
Mr. Simon Houston
Mr. John Mackenzie
Mr. Colin Mackenzie
Mr. Secretary Mackenzie
Colonel Duncan MacPherson
Mr. James Morison
Mr. George Gun Munro
Mr. Duncan Stewart
Mr. George Stewart

The Committee having taken into Consideration
the Expediency of Members wearing the Highland
Garb on a particular day in each year —

It was Moved That it be recommended to the
Society, to express their desire of shewing every mark of
respect to the Garb of their Ancestors, and that such
Members, as appear in the Highland Dress on the 19th
May, being the Queens-Birth day, will be considered
as warm friends to the spirit of the society —

Resolved That George Stewart Esq: be requested
to form an Emblematical design, proper for
distinguishing the Presidents Chair, and that

Mr.

14. Mr. Stewart be requested to report his Ideas on this Subject at the next Meeting of the Committee.

The Committee having taken into their consideration the Question referred to them by the Society, as to the propriety of offering a reward for the best Gaelic Poem, to be recited at the Annual Meeting of January.

Resolved That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that such a measure will be productive of happy effects in giving new energy to Gaelic Poetry, and is therefore highly worthy the attention of the Society. —

Resolved That it be recommended to the Society to offer a premium of Five Guineas, to be paid to the Author of the best Gaelic Poem, wrote on such Subjects, as shall be given out Annually by the Society. The Merits of the different Poems to be decided by a Committee of Gentlemen conversant in the Language, and the Premium to be paid in Money, or in such manner as shall appear to be most acceptable to the successful Composer. —

The Committee having taken into Consideration the State of the Arrears of Officers of the Army and other Members who must have been necessarily absent out of the Kingdom found great difficulty in coming to any determination in the same without having the Votes of the Members at large, And therefore —

Resolved To advise with the Society thereon at their next meeting. —