

cere thanks for the honour you have done me in drinking my health.—(Cheers.)

Mr. Blackie now rose to propose a bumper to the health of an absent friend, Mr. Alexander Bannerman. (Immense applause.)

Mr. Ross begged a bumper to their worthy Chairman. (Loud cheering.) (Drank with all the honours.)

Mr. Blackie could not express how grateful he felt to his hon. friend for proposing his health, and to the company for the very kind manner in which they had received it. He thanked them for the honour done him.

Mr. Blackie then gave the health of "The Provost and Magistrates of Montrose.

Provost Paton returned thanks.

"The Provost and Magistrates of Brechin" followed.

Provost Speid returned thanks.

"The Provost and Magistrates of Arbroath" were then given, and Provost Kay returned thanks.

Mr. Ross.—Although he was unwilling to obtrude himself again upon their notice, yet he had another toast to propose, which he hoped would be received and drank with satisfaction.—"The worthy and respectable inhabitants of Aberdeen, the real constituents."

Baillie Milne considered that it fell to his lot to return thanks, as he believed he was the oldest citizen present. He hoped the day was not far distant when the citizens of Aberdeen, as electors, would have an opportunity of entertaining a townsman of their own as their representative, and upon that occasion, he was convinced, they would be happy to be honoured with the company of the two honourable members now present.

Mr. Blackie craved a bumper.—"Sir John Forbes."

Sir John Forbes returned thanks.

Mr. Blackie begged leave to propose the health of that uncompromising reformer and friend to retrenchment, "Joseph Hume, the Member for Middlesex."

Song, by Mr. Angus, Advocate—"A man's a man for a' that."

The health of Sir William Seton was then drank. Sir William returned thanks.

Song, by Mr. Lindsay, Dean of Guild of Montrose—"My native Highland Home."

Mr. Lumsden Sheriffs said, that, of all the burghs in Scotland, none enjoyed a greater share of independence than Banff. As there was a gentleman in the company from that quarter, he begged leave to propose his health—"Mr. Cameron."

Mr. Cameron, in returning thanks, alluded to the late strug-