

2nd October.—First turf of the Deeside Railway Extension (Banchory to Aboyne) cut.

15th October.—Her Majesty The Queen passed through Aberdeen on her way southwards from Haddo House.

21st October.—The last public execution in Aberdeen.

1858.

24th September.—Large portrait of the Prince Consort, by Philip, presented to the Council by the Subscribers.

1859.

21st March.—Alford Valley Railway opened for traffic.

14th September.—Meeting of the British Association in Aberdeen—The Prince Consort, President.

2nd December.—Deeside Railway Extension (Banchory to Aboyne) opened for traffic.

19th December.—The Town Council vote 50 guineas, and the Harbour Commissioners 100 guineas, to the fund for the formation of Artizan Artillery and Rifle Corps.

1860.

20th December.—Celebration of the Tri-centenary of the Reformation.

1861.

12th October.—Perambulation of the Town's Marches by the Town Council and citizens.

The new Police and Water Bill, the building of the new Grammar School, and the management of the Guildry Funds, engaged the attention of the Council during the year.

1862.

7th August.—Royal Assent given to the Aberdeen Police and Waterworks Act, 1862.