

Farquhar, Esq. of Johnstone and Inverbervie.

The election was made at Aberdeen on 30th October, 1812, and although there was no other candidate, the delegate from Brechin reserved his vote.

1818. August 4—29th February, 1820.—Joseph Hume, Esq., of 38 York Place, Portman Square, London.

The election was held at Montrose on the 11th July, 1818, when Hume received three votes and Farquhar one. Aberdeen was, owing to the bankruptcy of its Common Good, temporarily disfranchised, and no delegate consequently was present at the election. Joseph Hume, of Burnley Hall, Norfolk, was born at Montrose in 1777, and entered the medical profession, having been a member of the College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, and assistant surgeon in the East India Civil Service, 1797. While engaged in this capacity he acted as Persian interpreter to the army during the Mahratta war, 1802-7. From January—September, 1812, he represented Weymouth in Parliament, and after the Aberdeen District, Middlesex, and Kilkenny. He died 20th February, 1855.

The Town Council of Aberdeen appear never to have appreciated Hume's services, and his letters asking their vote and interest were invariably allowed to lie on the table. On more than one occasion he wrote to the Magistrates and Council expressing "how great pleasure it would afford him to have their support," which they never, however, extended to him.

1820. April 21—2nd June, 1826.—Joseph Hume, Esq., of London.

At this election William Mitchell of Montrose wrote the Council that his brother John intended to come forward, and they resolved to give him their support. Hume was, however, re-elected at Brechin, 31st March 1820, having obtained the votes of Brechin, Arbroath, and Montrose.