

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF THE PRINCIPAL ITEMS OF  
TOWN COUNCIL AND POLICE BUSINESS, AND  
THE MORE IMPORTANT LOCAL EVENTS, FROM  
1832 TO 1888.

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1832.

April.—The night watchmen instructed not to mention the state of the weather while calling the hours during the night.

18th May.—Great Reform Meeting held on the Broadhill.

8th August.—Local Demonstration in honour of the Passing of the Parliamentary Reform Bill.

1833.

15th October.—The Girdleness Lighthouse lighted for the first time.

5th November.—The First Election of Town Councillors under the Reform Bill.

8th November.—Election of Magistrates and Office-bearers. Before proceeding to the election, the Dean of Guild, on the part of the burgesses, claimed the administration of all funds, mortifications, and other property belonging to the burgesses, and stated that, with this reservation, he was prepared to concur in the election of Provost, Baillies, and Office-bearers. [Statements to the same effect were made by the Dean of Guild on various occasions in subsequent years.]

11th November.—The Council having agreed to admit reporters to their meetings, the Lord Provost, on the reporters being introduced, explained that the Council had agreed to admit them to their meetings, but that, as discussions of a delicate and confidential nature might frequently occur, they could not be present on such occasions; that, although the members of Council were anxious to give all due publicity to their proceedings, they were, nevertheless, desirous to be free from restraint in the expression of