2nd April.—Council petition Parliament for the appointment of a Stipendiary Judge in the Police Court.

1850.

- 4th February.—Council resolve, by a majority, to petition in favour of the suppression of all Postal labour on the Sabbath day.
- 4th March.—Rate of interest on the Town's debt reduced from $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. to $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. [The preceding half-year it was reduced from 5 per cent. to $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.]
- 16th March.—First entry of a Railway Train into Aberdeen.
- 30th March.—Railway to Aberdeen (Ferryhill Station) from the south formally opened.
- 2nd September.—Instructions given for the removal of the "Old Bow Bridge." [The materials were subsequently utilized in the formation of the "Grotto" in Union Terrace Gardens.]
- 2nd September.—Council resolve to present each year a gold medal to a Student of the Fourth Class of the Marischal College on taking his-degree, and a silver medal to the Fourth or Fifth Class of the Grammar School.

1851.

- 14th May.—Removal of the "Auld Bow Brig" completed.
- August.—The Lord Provost officially attended the fêtes in Paris in connection with the International Exhibition.

1852.

- 14th April.—The removal of the ornamental well from Castle Street to Green reported to the Town Council.
- 5th July.—First turf of the Deeside Railway (Aberdeen to Banchory) cut.
- 25th November.—First turf of the Great North of Scotland Railway (Kittybrewster to Huntly) cut.