

the foresaid seminary or college at Partickhill, during any one or more years of the whole period of their studies, according as the same shall, in the discretion of said Trustees or Governing Body, appear expedient or necessary in order to the effectual and liberal fulfilment of the known wishes and intentions of the Testator and the appropriation of the funds left by him for the purpose.

That the Petitioners, as the Governing Body of said Trust or Institution, have, at a meeting held on the 30th January last and specially called for the purpose in terms of the Statute, resolved by a majority of those present at the meeting that it is expedient that provision should be made for the better application of the endowments of said Trust, and that this application should be made for a Provisional Order. A certificate of posting of the circular convening the meeting, and also the minute of meeting, accompany this Petition.

May it therefore please the Right Honourable the Secretary of State, on considering this Petition and the papers produced therewith, to direct this Petition to be published in the Edinburgh Gazette, and in one or more Newspapers circulating in the County of Lanark, and to remit to the Commissioners acting under the Statute before recited, to inquire into this Petition, and report thereon to the said Secretary of State, as provided for in said Statute; and thereafter, on receiving the report of said Commissioners, to issue a Provisional Order in relation to the several things herein mentioned, either in accordance herewith, or with such alterations and modifications not being inconsistent with the general principles hereof as may appear to him requisite,—all in terms of and as provided for in said Statute, and to do further and otherwise in the matter as may seem to him meet and proper. And your Petitioners shall ever pray, &c.

(Signed) P. M'LAUGHLIN.  
( " ) DONALD CARMICHAEL.  
( " ) P. F. FORBES.  
( " ) JOHN SHAW.

ALEXANDER & TAYLOR, Writers,  
194 West George Street, Glasgow,  
Agents for the said Trustees.

28th March 1879.

**PUBLIC NOTICE, IN TERMS OF THE  
ENDOWED INSTITUTIONS (SCOTLAND)  
ACT, 1878, SECTION 5.**

**I**N terms of an Order by the Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, dated 27th March 1879, made under the provisions of the Endowed Institutions (Scotland) Act, 1878, 41 and 42 Victoria, chapter 48, it is hereby intimated that a Petition has been presented to the aforesaid Secretary of State by James Hope, Deputy-Keeper of the Signet, Edinburgh, Edmund Baxter, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh, Auditor of the Court of Session, and John Kirk, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh, Director of Chancery, sole surviving, accepting, and acting Trustees, original and assumed, acting under the Trust Disposition and Settlement of the deceased John Robertson, sometime Schoolmaster at Preston, thereafter residing at West Newington Place, near Edinburgh, dated

17th March 1830, and with three Codicils thereto, dated respectively 17th March 1830, and 16th and 17th June 1831, all recorded in the Books of Council and Session 13th January 1832 and as such the Governing Body of 'Robertson's Academy,' Edinburgh, praying for a Provisional Order giving power to them to apply the whole of the revenue of the Trust Estate to the foundation of a Bursary of £25, tenable for five years, to be called the 'Robertson Bursary,' the Bursar to be elected annually by the Edinburgh School Board under such conditions as they shall from time to time appoint from the pupils attending the Elementary or Primary Schools of Edinburgh, and to be bound to continue his education during the whole years during which he shall be in receipt of the Bursary, at the High School of Edinburgh.

ELLIS & BLYTH, W.S.,

Petitioners' Agents.

16 South Charlotte Street, Edinburgh,

31st March 1879.

Petition of the Dean of Guild and Directors of the Merchants' House of Glasgow to the Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for a Provisional Order with respect to the Mortifications and other Endowments within mentioned.

To the Right Honourable Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department.

**THE PETITION**

OF

**THE DEAN OF GUILD AND DIRECTORS OF THE  
MERCHANTS HOUSE OF GLASGOW,**

Humbly Sheweth,

**T**HAT an Act was passed in the Session of Parliament 1878 (41 and 42 Victoria, caput 48), entitled 'An Act to Amend the Law relating to Endowed Schools and Hospitals and other Endowed Institutions in Scotland, and for other purposes.'

That the said Act provides (sections 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8) for the Governing Body of any Endowed Institution in Scotland applying for and obtaining from Parliament, power and authority whereby changes may be made in the Government and Management of the said Institutions or in the application of their Endowments, on a petition to that effect being presented to the Secretary of State for a Provisional Order.

That your Petitioners are the Governing Body of the Mortifications and other Endowed Institutions after mentioned, the original constitution and purposes whereof are detailed in a Statement which accompanies this Petition, and to which your Petitioners respectfully refer.

That your Petitioners at a Meeting convened in terms of the said Act, held on the Eleventh Day of March Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-Nine, unanimously resolved 'that it is expedient that provision should be made for the better government and administration of the said Institutions, and for the better application of the Endowments thereof, and that an application should be made to the Secretary of State for a Provisional Order,' to the following effect, viz:—

I. That the Names of the Founders of the Mortifications hereinafter mentioned shall be retained and preserved as distinctive of their respective Endowments; but that the whole other conditions, qualifications, and preferences stipulated, prescribed, or referred to, in or by the several Deeds of Mortification or Foundation, Bonds, Minutes, or other writings relating thereto, or by any practice or usage connected therewith, of or concerning the administration or distribution of the Funds thereof, except as hereinafter mentioned, shall be cancelled, annulled, and declared of no force or effect, and that all rights and powers of control, oversight, or supervision, inconsistent or at variance with the enactments of the Provisional Order hereby sought, shall also be cancelled and annulled.

II. That the revenues of certain of the Mortifications in this section mentioned shall be augmented by the Merchants' House of Glasgow, as hereinafter specified, and that the revenues of the whole of the Mortifications