

APPENDIX

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Minute of Meeting of Gentlemen interested in the Formation of a HIGHLAND CATTLE SOCIETY and HERD BOOK, held in the Highland and Agricultural Society's Show-Yard, at Edinburgh, on the 24th July, 1884.

On the motion of The Mackintosh of Mackintosh, The Right Honourable The Earl of Dunmore was called to the Chair.

The Chairman, in opening the proceedings, thanked the gentlemen present for responding to the Circular he had issued, inviting them to meet him on the present date, to discuss this question, viz., the necessity of establishing a Highland Cattle Society and a Herd Book.

He was very glad to see so large and influential a gathering of gentlemen present, representing, as they did, some of the great Highland Folds, and he also was able to state that the following noblemen and gentlemen, although unable to be present, had given their adhesion to this scheme by letter, viz.: Mr J Anderson, Kuhn; Mr Anderson of Lochdu; The Duke of Atholl; Mr Baillie of Dochfour; Mr Balfour of Strathconon; The Earl of Breadalbane; Cameron of Lochiel; The Earl of Cawdor; Sir W Gordon Cumming; Mr J Duncan, Benmore; The Earl of Kintore; Lord Lovat; Mr Malcolm of Poltalloch; Mr Osgood H Mackenzie of Inverewe; Sir Alexander Muir Mackenzie of Delvine; Mr W D Mackenzie of Glen Kyllachy; Mr Mackintosh of Kyllachy; Mr Macgillivray, Ballochroan; Mr Marshall of Callander; Mr A Macgregor, Glenlyon; Mr A Macgillivray, Kingussie; Mr Robertson, Greshornish; Mr Robertson, Achilty; Mr P Russell, Warroch; Mr Rollo, Baadhead; Mr Stewart, Bochastle; Mr John Smith, Inverallan.

The Chairman then adverted to the fact that, although there were Herd Books for Shorthorn, Hereford, Polled Angus, Galloway, Ayrshire, and Jersey Cattle, yet their own most beautiful breed, the Highland Breed of Cattle, had no Herd Book. The time had now come to remedy this, and he considered that the names which had already been sent in as favourable to the formation of a Society were sufficient to guarantee success in the launching of the scheme, and feeling as he did that this movement would be of the greatest benefit to all breeders of Highland Cattle all over the Highlands of Scotland, he begged to move the following resolution:

“That a Society should be formed, to be called ‘The Highland Cattle Society of Scotland’, the object of which shall be to maintain the purity of the breed known as Highland Cattle, and to establish a Herd Book in which to register their pedigrees.”

This motion was seconded by Mr Stewart of Ensay, and carried unanimously.

Mr Campbell of Kilberry then moved, “That in order to provide funds for launching of the said Society on a solid basis, all subscribers of Ten Guineas shall be duly registered as life members, and shall be entitled to every issue

of the Herd Book, free of cost, and that the annual subscription for other than life members be 10s per annum, but members might compound by paying down Ten Guineas, which would entitle them to the same privileges as life members." This was seconded by Mr Carnegie of Stronvar, who testified to the great advantages that would accrue to Breeders by being enabled, by the establishment of a Herd Book, to register the pedigrees of their cattle, and thus enhance the value of their stock.

Mr Hardie, Lochaline, seconded by Mr Cameron, Mossfield, moved, as a modification, that tenant farmers should only pay five guineas, one half down, and the other half in two years, and the motion, as modified, was carried unanimously.

The following gentlemen who were present then intimated their intention of becoming life members:- Allan, Robert, Glenmore; Baird, John, Knoydart; Brydone, T., Luskentyre, Harris; Campbell, John, Shiness. Sutherland; Campbell, Donald, Mossfield, Oban; Campbell, James, Ormaig; Campbell, John, Kilberry; Campbell, Hector A., Island of Coil; Carnegie, David, Stronvar; Carnegie, James, Ayton Hill, Fife; Dunmore, Earl of, Harris; Forbes, Duncan, Culloden; Hardie J., Lochaline; Macdonald, Alexander, Balranald, N Uist; Macdonald, Donald, Tormore, Skye; Macdonald, James, Valley, N Uist; Macdonald, Allan, Waternish, Skye; McDiarmid, Duncan, Camusericht, Rannoch; McDiarmid, D A, Killiemore, Mull; Macdougall, J, Ardsheal; The Mackintosh of Mackintosh; Mackenzie, N B, Fort William; Malcolm, John, Poltalloch; Malcolm, J. Wingfield, Poltalloch; Malcolm, W Maitland, Auchnacraig, Mull; Martin, W J B, Ri Cruin; Maclellan, Keith, Melfort; Mackenzie, Allan R, yr., Kintail; Middleton, Lord, Applecross; Murray, C J, Lochcarron, Moray; Colonel H Drummond, Blair, Drummond; Macgillivray, John, Ballachroan, Kingussie; Reid, Robertson F, Biallid, Kingussie; Shankland, William, Achnacrosh, Lismore; Southesk, Earl of, Kinnaird Castle, Brechin; Stephens H C, Avenue House, Finchley; Stewart, John, Ensay, Harris; Wood, Herbert, Raasay.

The Mackintosh of Mackintosh then moved that a President, a Vice-President, and an Editing Committee be appointed, and that the first President be the Duke of Atholl, the first Vice-President Mr Malcolm of Poltalloch, and that Lord Dunmore be Chairman of an Editing Committee representing the various Highland Counties to be selected by the present meeting.