

The North Parish Washing Green Society for Washing and Bleaching clothes, situated near the High Church, is vested in the Managers of the above Society, FOR BEHOOF OF THE POOR OF THE PARISH. It was left for the benefit of the poor, by Mr. Thomas Leach, but it was under no management, and continued a waste field until 1792. In that year, several respectable proprietors in the parish were of opinion that by forming a society for the improvement and management of the field, which was well supplied with fine soft water, it might not only be of great public use but might, in time, also be a source of relief to the poor. In this view a contribution was made among the Inheritors and Inhabitants for improving the Green and placing it under management. It was first enclosed and afterwards, by borrowing money, a substantial Washing House and Dwelling House for a Keeper were built. The Property having now become so much more valuable, it was thought advisable to have a Seal of Cause from the Magistrates of Glasgow, which was obtained in 1794.

Since that date the Society has been governed in terms of the Seal of Cause, by ten Directors, eight of whom are annually elected.

To the original Green the Society have made some considerable additions by purchase, and the Establishment is now very complete. The Washing House is commodious, and kept in good order: it is furnished with all necessary Boilers and Utensils, with abundance of Soft and Hard Water of superior quality, and an extensive Bleaching and Drying Green.

The premises are set annually to the highest bidder, and the present tacksman, who has continued for some years, is a civil, correct and careful man.

The Managers have thought it their duty thus briefly to give publicity to a Society, the nature of which it is believed, is not much known in the city, and to request the patronage and support of the Public in general, and of the North Parish in particular, to the Establishment.

They trust the Families who may be pleased to send their clothes to this Washing Green will find themselves well served.

The rents after deduction of the necessary expenses of management, go wholly to the poor, and the Managers are persuaded that no recommendation equal to this can be offered to the Inhabitants of Glasgow, those resorting to the Washing Green becoming thus customers and contributors to the poor.

Every person who contributes ONE GUINEA ( which also goes to the Institution) becomes a Member of the Society and the Managers invite the Heritors and Inhabitants of the North Parish ( who are not already entered) to become Members of the Society, and to give their assistance in the management of an Institution which now promises to afford an important Fund to the Poor.

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Willm. Bogle, Clerk.

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