Hawick Literary Society MS Magazine

Overview

There are few details currently known about this society and its magazine. According to an obituary notice for Frank Hogg in *The Hawick Express*, it may have been the Hawick Literary Society that was referred to as the 'young men's literary society' that is given as one of the ways that Hogg — a known member — helped to encourage a 'taste' for literature. This article states that he 'had the credit of helping to inaugurate the first course of lectures [for the young men's literary society] in the Exchange Hall' ('The Late Mr Frank Hogg', *The Hawick Express*, 21 February 1880, p. 3).

The evidence for the production of a society magazine for this group comes from an article on Hogg in *Hawick Songs and Song Writers* (1881). According to the article, the song, 'I like Auld Hawick' was written anonymously for the Hawick Literary Society MS. Magazine in 1867. Hogg sang it himself at a dinner in 1879, revealing himself as its author.

Name of Club, Society or Group That Produced the Magazine

Hawick Literary Society

Date of Existence

1867?-?

Date of Magazine

1867

Number of Issues

(at least) 1 (not extant)

Manuscript/Published Magazine

Manuscript

Contents and Contributions

Song (original); (other contents currently unknown)

Repository

Hawick Library (The Hawick Express and Hawick Songs and Song Writers)

Reference

Local History, LR828 MUR (*Hawick Songs and Song Writers*, 2nd edn, 1889; 3rd edn, 1897)