



DALHOUSIE CASTLE.

This is a building of very great antiquity, delightfully situated on the north bank of the South Esk river, which passes by it at only a few yards distance from the walls. It received a more modern aspect from the proprietor, the late Earl of Dalhousie, by which it has lost a considerable part of its former venerable appearance. Sir Alexander Ramsay of Dalhousie flourished in the 14th century, and was one of the bravest warriors of which that age could boast, under whose tuition the Scottish youth were anxious to learn the art of war. We have an account of his martial achievements at the battle of Otterburn recorded by Froissart. He was basely murdered by Douglas of Liddisdale, from a principle of envy, soon after his sovereign had appointed him to the office of warden of the borders. The present proprietor The Rth Hon. George Ramsay Earl of Dalhousie is a Lieutenant General in the army and greatly distinguished himself during the late war.