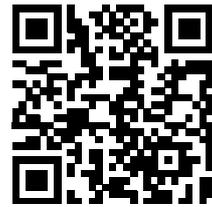


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The Scottish Parliament and the Wars of Independence



The Scottish Wars of Independence were a pivotal _____ in Scotland's history. During the late 13th and early 14th centuries, Scotland fought to free itself from _____ control. The Scottish Parliament, although not as powerful as it is today, played a significant role in this _____ for freedom. It was a platform for the nobility and commoners alike to voice their _____ against English dominance.

One of the most famous figures during this time was Robert the _____, who was declared king in 1306. The Parliament supported his claim to the throne and his efforts to liberate _____. This support was crucial, as it unified various Scottish factions under a common cause. In 1314, the Battle of _____ became a defining moment, where the Scottish forces, led by Robert the Bruce, secured a significant victory against the English. Following this victory, the Declaration of _____ was drafted in 1320. This document, sent to Pope John XXII, asserted Scotland's sovereignty and the right to self-determination. It highlighted the role of the _____ in representing the will of the Scottish people and their determination to fight for independence, regardless of the _____.

The Scottish Wars of Independence eventually led to the Treaty of Edinburgh–Northampton in 1328, which recognized Scotland's _____ from England. This treaty marked the end of the wars and a significant achievement for the Scottish Parliament and its _____, who had worked tirelessly to secure Scotland's freedom.

The impact of the Scottish Parliament during the _____ of Independence cannot be understated. It was a symbol of unity and resistance against English rule, showcasing the _____ of collective action and determination. The wars also set the stage for the _____ of a more robust and influential Scottish Parliament in the centuries to follow.

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