

ing found dead, or amissing, the mother shall be holden and reputed the murderer of her own child: and ordains all criminal judges to sustain such process; and the libel being remitted to the knowledge of an inquest, it shall be sufficient ground for them to return their verdict, finding the libel proven, and the mother guilty of murder, though there be no appearance of wound or bruise upon the body of a child. And ordains this act to be printed, and published at the market-crosses of the head burghs of the several shires, and to be read in all the parish-churches by the reader of the parish.

Three casks of foreign rum having been lately seized in a coach, the Justices of the Peace for Edinburghshire did, on the 24th of May, condemn the coach and the horses, as well as the spirits.—And about the same time, at a meeting of the Justices of the Peace for the county of Peebles, six horses that had been seized carrying some brandy, were condemned, as well as the spirits.

A fire broke out at Jedburgh, May 16. between two and three in the morning, in the house of James Burns weaver; and (lamentable to relate!) all who were in the house, perished in the flames, viz. James Burns himself, his wife, who was big with child, their son, Robert Turnbull shoemaker, and his daughter. The family had moved to that house only the day before; and the shoemaker and his daughter were there only for a night.

MARRIAGES and BIRTHS.

May 7. AT London, Col. Waldegrave, brother to the Earl Waldegrave, married to Lady Elifabeth Leveson Gower, daughter of John Earl Gower.

13. At Turin, the Duchefs of Savoy, delivered of a prince. He was baptized the same day by the name of *Charles-Emanuel-Ferdinand-Maria*.

30. At London, the Countefs of Plymouth, of a son and heir.

D E A T H S.

Nov. 6. 1750. In New-England, Jonathan Law, Esq; Governor of Connecticut.

April 16. 1751. At Durham, of the small pox by inoculation, Miss Rainsford. [238.]

May 8. At Grange, near Edinburgh, Capt. Ayton of Kinady.

8. At London, Robert Coult, Esq; M. D. His corpse was interred at Invetesk, May 23.

10. At London, Sir William Heathcote, of Hursley, Hants, formerly member of parliament for Buckingham, and for Southampton. He married the only daughter of the late Earl of Macclesfield; on whom and her issue-male are entailed his Lordship's titles, in failure of issue-male of the present Earl her brother. He is succeeded by his eldest son William.

13. At Avington, near Winchester, George Bridges, Esq; one of the members for Winchester; which city he represented in seven parliaments. He was found drowned in the canal of his garden, supposed to have fallen in by accident, being 72 years old; and paralytic. Dying without issue, his estate, worth 6000 l. a-year, devolves, after his wife's death, to the Duke of Chandos.

14. At London, the Duchefs of Montagu, fourth and youngest daughter of John Duke of Marlborough. By her Grace's death, an estate of 2000 l. a-year, settled on her by her father, devolves to Charles Duke of Marlborough; her house in Privy Garden, that on Blackheath, with their furniture, and an immense sum of ready money, fall to the Countefs of Cardigan, her Grace's second daughter; and her jointure of 2000 l. a-year falls to the only son of the Duchefs-dowager of Manchester, her Grace's eldest daughter. She has left, besides, large legacies to her grandchildren and domestics. 'Tis said she had by her at her death 15,500 l. in bank-notes.

17. At Edinburgh, in the 63d year of his age, Mr John Thomson Writer in Edinburgh.

In Aberdeenshire, in the 70th year of his age, Capt. Daniel Farquharson. He had served in the navy in Q. Anne's time, was at the siege of Gibraltar, and the famous sea-fight off Malaga. He has left the bulk of his fortune to Francis Farquharson of Finzean.

21. At Paris, a bachelor, Walter Stewart, Lord Blantyre. His Lordship is succeeded by his brother William.

21. Thomas Ogilvie of Eastmill, endeavouring to escape over the wall of Edinburgh castle, where he had been a prisoner since April 1749 [xi. 251.], by a net tied to an iron ring, fell down, and fractured his scull, so that he died on the spot.

In France, Sir William Gordon of Park, Lieutenant-Colonel of Lord Ogilvy's regiment; leaving issue by his Lady, a daughter of Lord Bracco, who survives, a daughter and two sons, both sons born abroad.

P. S. June 3. At his house of Gravesend, near the palace of Holyroodhouse, William Oliphant, Esq; son of the deceas'd Charles Oliphant of Langton, Esq; one of the Principal Clerks of Session. The title of *Lord Oliphant* devolved to him by the death of Francis Lord Oliphant; but he did not assume it, in regard of his advanced age, and his having no male heirs.—Other gentlemen claim this title likewise [x. 207, 49.].

N. B. *The report of Lord Charles Hay's death [214.] is a mistake.*