

# LIST

OF

ALL THE CRIMINALS

WHO HAVE BEEN EXECUTED

IN GLASGOW,

FOR THE LAST EIGHTY-FOUR YEARS;

With their Names, Crimes, and Place and  
Time of their Suffering:

LIKEWISE,

A LIST OF THE NAMES AND CRIMES

Of Persons who have been Executed in

Edinburgh, Stirling, Perth, Dumfries, Ayr,  
Jedburgh, Greenock, Paisley, Aberdeen,  
Inverness, &c.

FOR 179 YEARS.

ALSO,

A List of the Unfortunate Individuals

WHO WERE

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OF  
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FOR THE LAST SEVENTY YEARS  
WITH THEIR NAMES, CRIMES, AND PUNISHMENTS  
AND OF THEIR SUFFERINGS.

BY

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OF PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN PUNISHED IN  
GLASGOW, EDINBURGH, LEITH, DUNDEE, Ayr,  
DUMFRIES, GREENOCK, Paisley, Aberdeen,  
Inverness, &c.

FOR THE YEAR

1845

A LIST OF THE UNFORTUNATE INDIVIDUALS

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**Public Executions.**

**GLASGOW.**

Executed at the Howgatehead, where the  
Monkland Canal Basin is.

	Date of Execution.
Hugh Eisland, robbery	July 10, 1765
Agnes Dougal, murder	Nov. 4, 67
Andrew Matson, murder. (He was hung in chains)	Oct. 25, 69
Wm Mitchel & Chris Jordan, robbery	Nov. 17, 73
George M'Taggart, housebreaking and theft	June 21, 76
Robert Hislop, housebreaking & theft	June 6, 81

Executed at the Castle Yard, where the  
Infirmary now stands.

James Jacks, robbery	July 7, 1784
James and William Brodie, and Jean Lindsay, housebreaking	Nov 3, 84
Neil M'Lean, forgery	June 1, 85

David Steven, murder	June 3,	85
Thomas Vernon, robbery	Nov 9,	85
James Spence, housebreaking and theft	June 7,	86
Elizabeth Paul, housebreaking and theft	Oct 25,	86
John M'Aulay, Thomas Vitch and Thomas Gentles, robbery	May 23	87

### Executed at the Cross.

Walter M'Intosh, robbery	Oct. 22,	1788
Wm. Scott, housebreaking & theft. (This criminal was tried & condemned by the Sheriff)	Dec 3,	88
John Brown, forgery	June, 9	90
James Day, murder	Oct. 20,	90
James Plunket, robbery	Jan 11,	92
James Dick, murder	May, 16,	92
Mortimer Collins, murder	Nov. 7,	92
Agnes White, murder; & James M'Kenzie robbery	May 22,	93
James M'Kean, murder	Jan. 25,	97
John M'Millan, murder	May, 16,	98
Peter Gray, hamesucken	May 28,	1800
William Cunningham, theft	June, 8,	03
David Scott & Hugh Adamson, forgery	June, 5	05
Adam Cox, murder	June 10,	07
James Gilchrist, murder	July 20,	08
John Gordon M'Intosh and George Stewart, housebreaking	Nov. 8,	09
James Ferguson, robbery	May 26,	13
William Muir, and Wm Mudie, robbery	Nov. 17,	13

## Executed in front of the New Prison.

Wm Higgins and Thomas Harold robbery	Oct. 19,	1814
John Sherry, robbery	Nov 1,	15
William McKay, forgery	May 28,	17
Frederick Whitehill, robbery: and William M Kechnie & James M. Cormick, house- breaking and theft	Oct. 29,	17
Wm Baird and Walter Blair, robbery	June 3,	18
Matthew Clydesdale, murder; and Simon Ross, housebreaking	Nov. 4	18
Alex Robertson, housebreaking and theft	April 7,	19
R. McKay, Hunter Guthrie, John Forbes and William Buchanan, housebreaking and theft	Nov. 3,	19
John Buchanan, murder	Nov 17,	19
Richard Smith, housebreaking	May 31,	20
James Wilson, treason, hanged & beheaded	Aug 30	20
William Leonard Swan, forgery	June 5,	21
Malcolm McIntyre, William Paterson and James Dyer, housebreaking	Oct 24,	21
Thomas Donachy, housebreaking & theft	June 5	22
John McDougal and James Wilson, do.	June 24,	23
Francis Kean, robbery, and George Laid- law, theft	Oct 29,	23
Wm McTeague, uttering forged notes	May 11,	24
John McCreevie, housebreaking and theft	June 2,	24
William Devan, murder	July 21,	24
James Stevenson, highway robbery	June 1,	25
James Dollan, street robbery	June 7,	26
Andrew Stewart and Edward Kelly, street robbery	Nov 1;	26
James Glen, murder	Dec 12,	27
Thomas Conner and Bell McMenemy, as- sault and robbery	Oct. 22,	28
Edward Moore, murder	May 20,	29

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John Hill and William Porter, assault and robbery	May 12, 1730
Wm. M'Fet, murder	Sept 27, 1730
David Little, street thief	Jan 27, 1731
James Campbell, housebreaking and theft	May 16, 1731
James Byers and Mary Steel, murder	Oct. 6, 1731
William Heath, housebreaking	Oct. 20, 1731
William Lindsay, murder	Jan. 18, 1732
Philip Carney, rape, and John Barclay, murder	May 14, 1732
Henry Burnet, street robbery	Jan. 18, 1732
George Doffy, murder	Jan. 20, 1734
Hugh Kennedy, throwing vitriol,	Sept. 29, 1734
George Campbell, murder	
Mrs Jeffrey, murder,	May 21, 1738

## EDINBURGH.

Thomas Hunter, M.A. murder	Aug. 22, 1700
Nichol Mushet, murdering his wife	10
Margaret Dickson, murder	28
The above person recovered and lived 30 years afterwards at Musselburgh, where she was known by the name of ill-hanged Maggy.	
Agnes Crockett, child murder	Sept. 8, 1756
Ann Morrison, child murder	March 7, 1758
Janet Heatly, child murder	April 21, 1761
Patrick Ogilvie, for the murder of Thomas Ogilvie of Easterhill, his brother; and adultery with his wife	Nov. 18, 1765
Margaret Adam, murder	March 2, 1767
Robert Hay, street-robbery	March 25, 1767
John Raybould, forgery	Feb. 24, 1768
Wm. Harris, do.	May 30, 1770
Alexander M'Donald and Charles Jamieson, shop-breaking at Lithgow Bridgend	Sept. 2, 1770
Daniel Deveron, robbery	Jan 17, 1787

James and James Jamieson, robbing mail	Jan 29,	87
John Reid, murdering his son	March 21,	87
John Brodie and George Smith, breaking into the Excise-office Edinburgh	Oct. 1,	88
James Falconer and Peter Bruce, breaking into the Dundee Bank	Dec. 24,	88
Bartholomew Collins, murder	Feb. 8,	90
Wm. Gideby, robbery	Feb. 2,	91
William Smith, housebreaking	Oct. 12,	91
John Paul and James Stewart, street-robbery	July 27,	94
Robert Watt, high treason	Oct. 13,	94
Thomas Urquhart, Post-master in Kirkwall, Dikney, opening letters and taking money therefrom	1800	
Richard Brodie, theft	Feb. 11,	01
George Lindsay, murder	April 7,	02
Margaret Cunningham, murder	Jan. 7,	07
Barbara Malcolm, murder	Feb. 10,	08
Robert Stewart, housebreaking & theft	Feb. 22,	09
John Armstrong, ditto	Jan. 17,	10
Adam Lyal, highway robbery	March 27,	11
Hugh M'Donald, Neil Sutherland and Hugh M'Intosh, street-robbery	April 22,	12
John M'Donald and James Black, murder near Corstorphine	April 14,	15
James M'Dougal, forgery	Aug. 1 <sup>o</sup> ,	14
John Murdoch, murder	March 29,	15
D. Thomson, housebreaking and theft	— 15,	16
Robert Johnston, robbery	Dec 30,	18
George Warden, taking money out of letters in the Post-office of Aberdeen	April 14,	19
John Dempsey, murder	Dec 13,	20
Samuel Maxwell, housebreaking and robbery	Jan 17,	21
David Haggart, murder	July 18,	21
John Rennie and William Sutherland, housebreaking and theft	Aug 22,	21

Peter Heaman and Francis Galt, piracy murder at Leith	Jan 9,	22
Wm. M'Intyre, housebreaking	Feb 26,	23
Mary M'Kinnon, murder	April 16,	23
Daniel M'Donald Elphinston, murder	July 8,	24
Wm. Burke, for murdering 16 persons by suffocating them and selling their bodies for dissection	Jan. 28,	29
John Stewart and Catharine Wright, for murdering three persons by giving them poison	Aug. 19,	29
Wm. Adams or Reid, robbery	Jan. 6,	29
Robert Emond, for the Haddington murders	march 17,	30
John Thomson and David Dobbie for the murder and robbery of Peggy Paterson	Aug. 18,	30
George Gilchrist, robbery	Aug. 3,	30
James Gow and Thomas Beveridge, murder	Dec. 2,	31
John M'Court, ditto	Dec. 19,	31
John Howieson, ditto	Jan. 21,	32
— Sweeny—assault and robbery—executed at Greenlaw	April 4,	34
James Bell—murder	July	25
Elizabeth M'Neil—murder	Aug. 3,	35
S P I R I T I N G.		
Thomas M'Latchie, housebreaking	Nov. 19, 1772	
G. M'Kerracher, forgery	March 28,	88
John Smart, forgery	May 16,	88
At Falkirk. T. M'Nair, robbery	Oct. 26,	1811
Alexander O'Kane, ditto	Feb 21,	12
John Baird and Andrew Hardie, treason	Sept 8,	20
John Fleming, forgery	May 11,	27



John M'Grady, housebreaking	May 25,	26
Peter Moffat, murder	July 28,	26
Robert Tennant, murder	Oct 2,	33
Alexander Miller, murder	April 8,	37

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 PERTH.

Alex M'Gowan, murder	June 5,	1750
Robert Davidson and George Bruce, robbery	June 22,	53
John Dow Cameron, alias Sergeant More, hung in chains, murder and robbery	Nov 3;	53
Wm Doig, murder	June 13,	55
Hector M'Lean, murder; hung in chains	July 15,	57
James Russell, robbery	June 29,	59
Robert Keith, murder	July 2,	60
John Henderson, murder; executed at Cupar	Sept 20,	—
Jean Cameron, child murder	Oct 19,	64
Duncan Campbell and John Chapel, hung in chains	June 19,	67
Alex M'Donald, stealing cattle	Nov 27,	72
Francis Thornice, housebreaking	June 7,	74
John Fisher, ditto	July 17,	76
James Dormand, highway robbery	May 31,	93
Robert Rodger, ditto	June 21,	93
Donald M'Graw, murder	Nov 13,	95
J West, housebreaking; executed at Dundee	June 12,	1801
Hans Hegelson, rape	June 28,	11
John Larg and John Mitchell, robbery	Feb 28,	17

Margarst Tindall, murder, executed at Montrose	Nov 2,	2
David Balon, murder; executed at Dundee	June,	2
Margaret Wishart, ditto; executed at Forfar	June 16,	2

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### DUMFRIES.

Wm Johnston, postmaster, Moffat, abstract- ing money from letters	Nov	1786
John Carmichael, shopbreaking	May 27,	80
Maitland Smith, robbery and murder	Oct 21,	1807
James Gordon, murder	June 6,	01
John M'Canna and Joseph Richard- son, forgery	May 14,	23
James M'Manus, highway robbery	Oct 18,	26

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### A Y R.

James Haddan, housebreaking	Dec 5,	1766
Mathew Hay, murder	Oct 13,	80
William Dornon and R. Smith, housebreaking	May 26,	1803
John M'Millan, murder	May 25,	10
George Watson, horse-stealing	June 7,	11
J. M'Manus, murder; and Robert Gibson, robbery	May 27,	11
John Wotherington, Symington; do	Feb 17,	14
William Evans, forgery	May 31,	16
Mary Crossan, fire-raising; and Wm Robertson and Joseph Cairns, rob- bery	Oct 17,	17

James Anderson and David Glen,  
murder Dec 12, 26  
Samuel Waugh, murder Jan 16, 82

### J E D B U R G H.

David Douglas, robbery Nov 18, 1768  
William Murray, theft May 26, 89  
Charles Mercer, rape Oct 10, 1809  
John Gibson, murder; executed at  
Hawick May 12, 14  
Robert Scott, murder Oct 28, 28  
James Rodgers, murder Oct 20, 81

### G R E E N O C K.

Moses M'Donald, housebreaking June 5, 1812  
Bernard M'Ilvogue, Hugh M'Ilvogue,  
Patrick M'Crystal, housebreaking,  
rape and robbery Oct 23, 28  
John Kerr, murder June 6, 27  
John Boyd, murder Oct 27, 84

### P A I S L E Y.

Four women and three men were burned  
at the Gallowgreen for witchcraft June 16, 1697  
Alexander Provan, for murdering his  
wife; had his right hand cut off and  
afterwards hanged Nov 17, 65  
Thomas Potts, housebreaking Aug 17, 97  
John Craig and James Brown, stouth-  
rief Oct 16, 1829  
William Perry, murder Oct 18, 187

### A B E R D E E N.

John Hutchison, housebreaking and  
heft June 28, 176

- Helen Watt for the murder of her husband  
 28 band Oct 17,  
 William Keith (her son) for the same  
 crime Nov 14,  
 It was ten years after they committed  
 the crime before they were condemned  
 Jean Craig, theft July 23,  
 Elspeth Reid theft Jan 14,  
 Thomas Donaldson, Wm Buchanan  
 and Wm M'Leod, housebreaking May 23, 18  
 Malcolm Gillespie, forgery Nov 17,  
 Catherine Davidson, for murdering  
 her husband Oct 8,

## INVERNESS.

- Christian M'Kenzie, murder Nov 2, 17  
 Alex Gillen, murder and rape, executed  
 at Speyside, and hung in chains May 14, 18  
 H. M'Leod, murder and robbery Oct 24,  
 John Adams, alias John Anderson;  
 murder of his wife Oct 16,

## INVERARY.

Ann Campbell and Sarah Grahame, Nov 3, 173

## For Witchcraft:

- Atison Pearson, Fifeshire, practising sorcery and invoking  
 the devil, strangled and burned 166  
 Euphan Calzane, Edinburgh, burned alive, 168  
 Patrick Lawrie, consulting with the devil, burned 169  
 Isobol Young, East Barns, strangled and burned, 169  
 Janet Brown, Burnitsland, condemned and executed, 164  
 Isobel Bairdie, and three other women, strangled & burned, 164  
 Isobel Elliot, Edinburgh, for having had carnal copulation  
 with the devil, burned by the executioner